



Dato' Ambiga Sreenevasan receiving the "International Women of Courage" Award for 2009.

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The Australian Human Rights Centre invites you to join us for a seminar with

Dato' Ambiga Sreenevasan

Electoral Reform and the Quest for Democracy in Malaysia

Time: 1:00pm start (a light lunch will be served at 12:30pm)
Date: Monday 31st October 2011
Venue: Boardroom, Level 2, Law Building, University of New South Wales
Register: <http://www.ahrcentre.org/ahrcevents.html>
Map: www.facilities.unsw.edu.au/Maps/maps.html

Dato' Ambiga Sreenevasan (LLB Exeter, 1979) is a practising litigation lawyer in Malaysia and a Director of the Securities Industry Dispute Resolution Centre. She was called to the English Bar at Gray's Inn in 1980 and to the Malaysian Bar in 1982. She has long been an active member of the Malaysian Bar Council, and has been involved in drafting many memoranda on issues relating to the rule of law, the judiciary and the administration of justice, legal aid, religious conversion, the rights of Orang Asli (indigenous persons) and other human rights issues. On 25 September 2007, Dato' Ambiga led the Malaysian Bar in its historic Walk for Justice, to express concern over the state of the judiciary. This action led directly to the setting up of a Royal Commission of Inquiry and ultimately to the establishment of a Judicial Appointments Commission. She served as President of the Malaysian Bar from 2007 to 2009, and is one of 8 recipients of the U.S. Secretary of State "International Women of Courage" Award for 2009. She was also awarded the Chevalier de Legion d'Honneur (Knight of the Legion of Honour) by France in September 2011. Dato' Ambiga presently heads BERSIH 2.0, a citizen's movement for free and fair elections in Malaysia.

