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**The SUNY Global Engagement Program and
UNA-USA Southern NY State Division
present:**

**Assessing the Human Rights Movement's Challenges and Progress at this
75th Anniversary of the United Nations Universal Declaration of Human
Rights**

Friday, December 8th, 10:30 am – 1: pm

SUNY Global Center, [116 E. 55th St, New York City](#)

Co-sponsor: Columbia University Chapter

10:30 AM - 11:00 AM

Welcome Remarks

The United Nations Association of the U.S.A. Advocating for a Better World

Troy Wolfe,

Senior Director, Partnerships & Special Initiatives at the United Nations Foundation

11:00 AM - 12:30 PM

A Candid Conversation with

Paul O'Brien,

Executive Director of Amnesty International USA

Hosted by: Ş. İlgü Özler

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Troy Wolfe



Senior Director, Partnerships & Special Initiatives at the United Nations Foundation

Mr. Wolfe brings to the position more than 20 years of experience in education and diplomatic service involving bilateral, regional, and global issues. He has participated in negotiations regarding the major United Nations Civil Society Conference and national and international efforts to localize the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals. Additionally, he has worked in humanitarian fields and served in the United States Peace

Corps and Operation Crossroads Africa. His service to UNF began in 2011 and includes the oversight of grants, Model UN programming, partnerships, special programs, and philanthropic initiatives that leverage the vast resources of the United Nations Foundation.

Paul O'Brien

Executive Director at Amnesty International USA



Paul O'Brien has been the Executive Director at Amnesty International USA, based in Washington, DC since April 2021. Previously, Paul co-led Oxfam's worldwide influencing network's efforts to change government policies, corporate practice and public opinion related to pandemic response. For the previous decade, he oversaw Oxfam America's advocacy with the US government and corporations. He has been an advisor to the President of Afghanistan, the Africa Policy Advisor for CARE, and an organizer in Nairobi's informal urban settlements. He co-founded a community organizing institution in Kenya and a human rights research consortium in Afghanistan. He was the President of the Echoing Green Foundation, a litigator in New York for Cravath, Swaine and Moore. He has a JD from Harvard Law School and has published on power and rights for more than three decades. Before joining Amnesty, he published "Power Switch" How We Can Reverse Extreme Inequality."

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