

The Inter-American System of Human Rights: Lights, shadows and new paths

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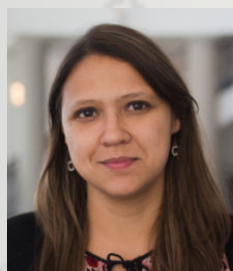
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