



The past, present, and future of the Rohingya Crisis

Who are the Rohingya? And why do so many people in Burma/Myanmar regard them as a threat to the nation? More than 900,000 Rohingya have taken refuge in Bangladesh after a series of attacks by the armed forces of Burma/Myanmar and Buddhist nationalists. Their plight is the fastest growing humanitarian emergency in the world. Panelists will present the historic roots of the contemporary crisis, which the UN has called a “textbook case of ethnic cleansing”; outline the broader political and military context in which the forced migration is occurring; and evaluate proposed solutions.

Speakers:

- Tun Khin (*Burmese Rohingya Organization*)
- John Knaus (*Associate Director for Asia, National Endowment for Democracy*)
- Debbie Stothard (*Director of Altseam-Burma and Secretary General of International Federation for Human Rights*)
- Matt Wells (*Amnesty International Senior Crisis Advisor*)

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