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Office of the Ombudsman/NHRI Samoa to Participate in GANHRI 2025 Annual Meeting in Geneva, Thursday 10th-12th March 2025.

Apia, Thursday 07 March 2025: The Office of the Ombudsman/NHRI Samoa is honored to participate in the **2025 Annual Meeting of the Global Alliance of National Human Rights Institutions (GANHRI)**, scheduled to take place from March 10-12, 2025, at the United Nations Palais des Nations in Geneva, Switzerland.

Representing Samoa at this prestigious gathering are Acting Ombudsman Maualaivao Pepe Seiuli and Director of NHRI Ulugia Rosa Toese. This meeting presents a valuable opportunity for National Human Rights Institutions (NHRIs) worldwide to collaborate, exchange experiences, and strengthen efforts in protecting and promoting human rights.

Key discussions will include reviewing progress on GANHRI's Strategic Plan, analyzing emerging trends and challenges faced by NHRIs globally, and identifying priorities for future engagement and partnerships. Additionally, the meeting will oversee the election of a new GANHRI Chairperson and Secretary, along with the ratification of new Bureau members.

The thematic focus of this year's Annual Conference is "**The Human Rights of Women and Girls: Promoting Gender Equality and the Role of National Human Rights Institutions.**" A collective statement will be developed and adopted, reflecting the commitments of all participating members toward advancing gender equality.

The Office of the Ombudsman/NHRI Samoa remains committed to ensuring the promotion and protection of human rights, both nationally and internationally. Participation in the GANHRI Annual Meeting further strengthens Samoa's engagement in global human rights discourse and reinforces its dedication to fostering a just and equitable society for all.

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