The R2P Focal Point Initiative was started in 2010 by the governments of Denmark and Chile, together with the International Crisis Group, to foster the R2P accountability mechanism. The governments of Australia and Costa Rica have since joined in factoring the group. A focal point is an agreement between a government that has been responsible for human security principles on a national level. In the next stage, an international network in behalf of R2P.

Mass atrocity risk is dynamic and ever present. The risk of each focal point is to be determined by national context and capacities.

In order to effectively convene policymakers and institutions, the focal point entity must have a solid grasp on the workings of their national system.

The focal point network will support states committed to preventing mass atrocities, and assists in strategy development.

The network will promote education & training by supporting mechanisms and principles by supporting mechanisms and engaging those outside the network.

**R2P Focal Points**

**Appointed National Focal Points**

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**Global Action Against Mass Atrocity Crimes**

- Focuses on National and regional-level prevention efforts
- A state-led initiative to prevent war crimes, crimes against humanity, genocide, and ethnic cleansing
- A stage for the proliferation of effective practices and policy

**Latin American Network for Genocide and Mass Atrocity Prevention**

- The goals of the network are to work with prevention actors to develop effective tools to identify areas in which prevention can be achieved.

**Current Members**

- Argentina, Bolivia, Brazil, Chile, Colombia, Costa Rica, Dominican Republic, Ecuador, El Salvador, Guatemala, Mexico, Nicaragua, Panama, Peru, Uruguay, Venezuela

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Learn more about R2P focal points and national focal points’ responsibilities for the Responsibility to Protect at www.globalrl.org

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