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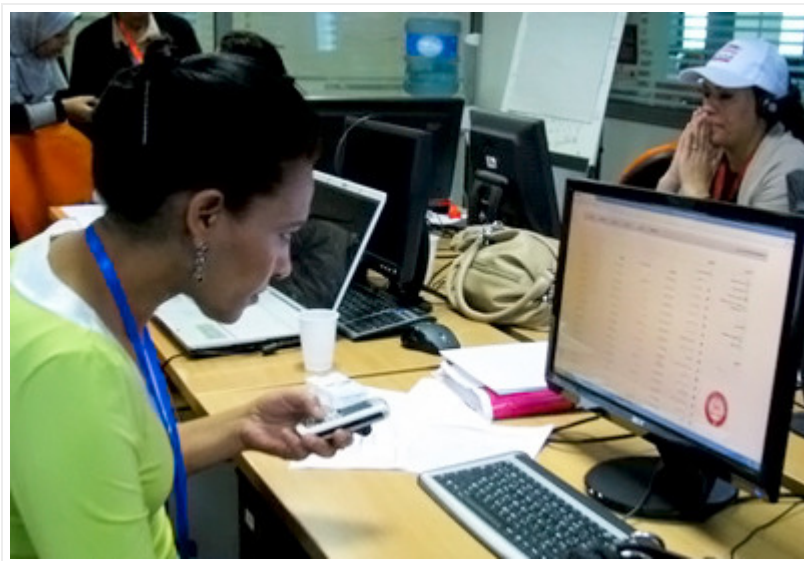
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### ABA ROLI, Tunisian Bar Association Work for Fair and Transparent Elections



For the first time in generations, on October 23, Tunisians had the opportunity to vote in real democratic elections. In the months leading up to the elections, the ABA Rule of Law Initiative (ABA ROLI) coordinated with the Tunisian Bar Association (TBA) as it worked to assure that elections were fair and transparent.

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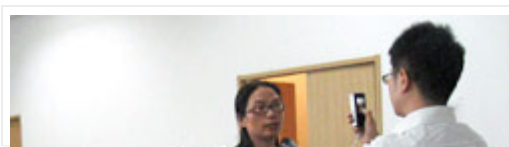
Michelle Bachelet  
Receives 2011 Rule of  
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### Chinese Environmental NGOs Coordinate to Hone Advocacy Strategies

**F**rom September 22–23, the ABA Rule of Law Initiative (ABA ROLI) and





the China Association for Non-Governmental Organization Cooperation (CANGO) convened a coalition of grassroots environmental NGOs in Beijing to discuss various policy advocacy strategies



to promote environmental health. More than 25 environmental NGO representatives from several parts of the country, including Anhui, Henan, Yunnan, Hebei, Sichuan, Hubei, Heilongjiang and Jiangsu provinces, were in attendance. [Click to read more »](#)

**T**he ABA Rule of Law Initiative (ABA ROLI) bestowed its 2011 Rule of Law Award on United Nations (UN) Under-Secretary-General Michelle Bachelet, executive director of UN Women and former president of Chile during an October 5 dinner.

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## Video: 2011 Rule of Law Award Presented to Michelle Bachelet



## Cross-Institutional Training Encourages Coordination Between Haiti's Magistrate School and the National Police Academy

**N**early two years after the January 2010 earthquake that rocked Haiti and sparked a humanitarian crisis, the nation is struggling to maintain order and uphold the rule of law. Setbacks in rebuilding the country have hampered efforts to reform its promising but fragile judicial system.



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## Trainings Encourage Entrepreneurialism in Turkmenistan



To help Turkmenistani entrepreneurs conduct business effectively and legally, the ABA Rule of Law Initiative (ABA ROLI) provided a series of trainings on commercial legal issues. Since November 2010, ABA ROLI trained nearly 400 members of the business, non-profit and legal communities throughout the country.

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## ABA ROLI Strives to Address Wider Women's Rights Issues in the Democratic Republic of Congo

As part of its efforts to defend and promote women's rights in the Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC), the ABA Rule of Law Initiative (ABA ROLI)



promotes a better understanding of and support for women's rights through trainings for health care professionals, female leaders of community organizations and judicial police officers. Speaking of the impact of a training ABA ROLI provided from June 7–9, in Kavumu, South Kivu Province, Mirindi, a police commander in the town of Kalehe, said, "I am committing myself to putting into people's heads that women must be respected. I practice this at home with my wife, and I promote this within my jurisdiction."

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## Photo Story: The Tunisian Bar Association and ABA ROLI Partner to Support Tunisian Elections

To ensure that the process runs smoothly, the Tunisian Bar Association (TBA) has published an election law handbook for lawyers and established a rapid response helpline to respond to elections-related concerns. The TBA, with support from the ABA Rule of Law Initiative, trained local attorneys to provide legal services related to the elections.

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