4th World Forum on Human Rights

In a world in crisis, what about Human Rights?

Programme

Nantes - France

June 28 to July 1, 2010

La Cité - Nantes Events Center

From universal principles to local action
### Monday 28th June  
**Lascaux Meetings From land to food, from values to rules – Official opening ceremony**

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| 2:00 pm    | Women, the first victims of human rights at work: violations in the aftermath of an economic crisis.  
| 4:30 pm    | | | | | | | |
| 5:00 pm    | Room 450: Plenary session, followed at 7:30 pm by the closing ceremony | | | | | | |

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Global crisis... Human Rights?

Since its creation in 2004, the World Forum on Human Rights, established by UNESCO, has taken place every two years in Nantes and it has become an essential meeting for us all. In 2008, the 3rd Forum was marked by the 60th anniversary of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights. The 4th Forum takes place in the context of the global crisis: a crisis that not only threatens Human Rights, but also raises the value of the Individual - whose labour is not a commodity – as a major concern. More than ever, this type of Forum is required so that we can consider together the position of Human Rights, in France as well as in Europe and across the globe. The current trend is to criticise “the single school of thought” of human rights, but faced with the threats of nationalist tendencies and cultural relativism, how can we deny that it is only Human Rights that allow us to live together on a local level as well as on an international scale? To meet our expectations for it, the Forum must remain faithful to four fundamental requirements.

The first requirement is that all the stakeholders in Human Rights participate on an equal footing. From the outset, the vision of the Forum in Nantes has been to provide a setting for discussion for workers in the field who do not meet often enough. Through bringing together representatives of large international organisations and independent specialists, campaigners for the civil society, defenders of Human Rights from all over the world, renowned or unknown and all too often living under threats to their lives and freedom, diplomats and politicians from local authorities and their international networks, the Forum encourages a collective consideration which is unconstrained and pluralist, united and accountable. There are many university conferences and seminars for specialists. At the World Forum in Nantes, the experts are not here to impose their views, but to encourage a collective dialogue and to listen to what the world has to say.

The second requirement is to stay focussed on universality. It is not just a Franco-French debate, neither an examination of basic rights in Europe, but a meeting between all continents in the context of the global crisis, despite the practical difficulties of organising such an international event. The choice of the principal unifying themes for this year reflects this universal concern through questions of the right to food and the erosion of the right to work, as well as the themes of freedom of expression and opinion and those of diversity when confronted by demands for identity in a multicultural world, regardless of whether it refers to the recent debates on national identity or religious dogma.

It is often said that universality is inseparake from indivisibility. The Forum would have no meaning if it gave priority to one category of rights to the detriment of others. The urgency for full judicial recognition of economic, social and cultural rights does not diminish the necessity to fight against the death penalty, racism and xenophobia or the struggle against homophobia throughout the world, about which Robert Badinter will be an eloquent spokesperson. By opening debates on the major themes that are at the forefront of current affairs, the Forum does not simply reflect the international agenda, but in addition, it becomes a setting to increase vigilance and raise awareness. The permanent secretariat of the Forum, based on an idea of local authorities, contributes to this work in the long term through links with all cities and local governments in the framework of the United Cities and Local Governments (CGLU) by developing a worldwide charter and programme for Human Rights in Inner Cities.

The last requirement, in my opinion, is that of effectiveness and continuity. Effectiveness: bear in mind some commitments already made, starting with those made by France who is delaying the adoption of a law of enactment of the Rome Statute of the International Criminal Court and the ratification of the Optional Protocol to the International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights, not forgetting the Convention on the rights of migrant workers which all the European States are refusing to discuss. Our lessons on the subject of Human Rights would be better received if we ourselves set the example in this area. Independent authorities, national and international, are contributing to this effectiveness by increasing the number of enquiries and impact assessments together with extra-judicial appeals. But, without doubt, a better understanding of their rights and responsibilities by all citizens of the world is the best measure of the effectiveness of Human Rights. This is the stake for our work on the occasion of this 4th World Forum in Nantes, with the hope that its fruits surpass the promise of its flowers.

Emmanuel DECAUX
Member of the Advisory Committee at the United Nations Human Rights Council
President of the International Permanent Secretariat, organiser of the World Forum on Human Rights in Nantes
Foreword

More than 60 years after the adoption of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, we know, as you do, that the struggle to maintain these rights continues daily in the light of growing racism, rejection, social exclusion and new forms of inequality between men and women. New issues arise every day that jeopardise fundamental human rights: the right to work, the right to satisfy living and alimentary needs, the right to health protection and access to treatment, the right to live in a secure environment.

The statements on which the United Nations was established 65 years ago were the expression of the desire to set up a new world order based on law, justice and human dignity: a world in which economic factors would be subject to the requirements of social justice and solidarity in order to bannish insecurity and poverty for ever. Even though we are currently going through the most significant economic crisis since France was liberated, we must not forget these basic principles. We have the responsibility to ensure that our society remains based on social justice.

Even though we are currently going through the most significant economic crisis since France was liberated, we must not forget these basic principles. We have the responsibility to ensure that our society remains based on social justice. Is the growing instability in this crisis compatible with the idea that we have formed of the defence of Human Rights? The reality which we see every day makes calls on our consciences. There is no lack of subject matter to illustrate the reasons why we should continue to maintain our struggle. I think of the deterioration in working conditions, the many abuses of civil liberties, the violation of democratic principles and freedom of expression. The defenders of economic and social rights, the rights of women and minorities encounter many obstacles which are created by both state and civic sectors.

In this struggle, the actions of local authorities and their responsibility in the defence of a law-abiding society is paramount today. Not all local governments have the same competence nor the capacity to intervene when faced with the powers and practices of States. However, they should all play their part to ensure that rights are respected in their territories: for example, the respect of cultural diversity and the fight against all forms of racism and discrimination. This is what has led us to establish the Permanent International Secretariat for Human Rights and Local Governments which encourages the development of the exchanges that we have every two years here in Nantes at the World Forum on Human Rights with the desire to share real-life experiences. Throughout the year, action groups and associations work side by side to bring together key players and to take action to promote Human Rights. Through this 4th World Forum on Human Rights, we want to reaffirm that, here in Nantes, we believe more strongly than ever in the relevance of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights and the need to increase the universality of the undertaking for the respect of fundamental rights.

Jean-Marc AYRAULT
Member of Parliament and Mayor of Nantes
President of Nantes Métropole
In terms of respect for defence and the implementation of Human Rights, the actions of cities and local authorities can make a real difference.

Alongside States, NGO’s and other associations who make considerable efforts in this field, I have the firm belief that from this point on, our local communities should become players in their own right in the matter of Human Rights, and be recognised as such.

And it is in this direction that the actions put in place by the region of the Pays de la Loire over the last several years within the international association of local governments, the United Cities and Local Governments (CGLu), are proceeding, in particular, through the work that we are doing together on the worldwide charter and programme for Human Rights in Inner Cities.

A real "local agreement" for the protection and implementation of Human Rights, this charter has the goal of uniting local authorities the world over to symbolize their commitment to the development of public policies to protect Human Rights at the local level, by obtaining the assistance of social movements and representatives of the civil society.

This year once again, there is no doubt that this subject will provide a stream of thought to nourish the work of the 4th World Forum on Human Rights.

Why has a local authority such as ours decided to concentrate on this aspect of the larger issue?

Quite simply because it is at the grassroots of real-world local and human issues that we can best engage in this fundamental struggle, and also because the upholding of economic and social rights – the rights to housing, work, healthcare, dignity – is inseparable from the exercise of political rights.

At the same time, the exercise of political rights allows participation in the decision making mechanism with regard to redistribution of wealth, which can lead to fulfilment of economic and social rights.

The World Council of the United Cities and Local Governments (CGLu) which will take place next November in Mexico, will be the occasion to present the final version of the worldwide charter and programme for Human Rights in Inner Cities. This key meeting for local authorities from all over the world will provide an additional impetus to ensure they increase their commitment to this matter.

They have a significant rôle to play and these local governments should from now on be acknowledged as serious participants in international diplomacy. It is by the example that they set in governance, by their ability to manage the economic and social stakes for the benefit of the individuals that live in their territories, as well as through their undertakings with regard to basic rights, that local governments will ensure these major objectives for the future of our planet will be achieved.

In this domain as in others, I would like to say that the French position is not perfect – for as long as regional reforms commit us to a re-centralisation of power that gives concern for the support and growth of local autonomy, for as long as retrograde steps are being taken in the matters of criminal law, the diversity of the media and cultural life especially in the suburbs...

The national situation is coupled with a critical worldwide context of crisis in economic, social and environmental affairs which has inevitable impacts on access to fundamental rights. At heart of these matters, the environmental and food issues that are the key topics for this forum take centre stage, and with good reason, for their urgency is upon us now.

I hope that these deliberations result in broad unity and, wherever possible, that they will break down the human and political barriers that block our worldwide progress towards Human Rights.

Jacques AUXIETTE
President of the Pays de la Loire Regional Council
Foreword

June 2009: Tehran is overrun by the partisans of Mir-Hossein Moussavi, outraged by the announcement of the results of the presidential elections. In clouds of tear gas and surrounded by Pasdaran militia, the body of a young girl, Neda Soltan, inert on the ground and dying despite all efforts to revive her, immediately became the symbol of the rebellion of Iranian youth against an illegitimate and murderous regime. In Iran, where the death penalty is pronounced most frequently after China, with nearly 400 executions in 2009 according to Amnesty International, Human Rights become more of a utopian dream every day.

The Loire-Atlantique County Council is, in France, the local authority that has a leading rôle in the matter of access to entitlements and to all rights. With responsibility for social engagements and integration, the département also acts in a variety of sectors which are closely related to the themes of dignity of the individual, freedom and solidarity: such as the provision of protection for mothers and children, housing, assistance and support for handicapped and old people, the support of those in receipt of supplementary welfare allowance (RSA), schools and the entitlement to education...

For an authority such as the Loire-Atlantique County Council, the matter of access to rights – sometimes the most basic rights - is a mission that is fulfilled every day. Widening the scope of reflection to include other countries and other social contexts is a logical progression of our actions; active participation in the consideration of Human Rights is the first step in constructing ambitious public policies for the département that are effective in providing protection for the individual.

Consequently, the work of the Permanent International Secretariat for Human Rights and Local Governments, established three years ago, is of great interest to us. With the same profound enthusiasm, we extend our welcome to the participants in the discussions of this 4th Forum in Loire-Atlantique.

As in previous meetings, we have decided to focus our participation on the rights of women and their children. By organising a roundtable on this subject, we will focus attention on the position of single-parent families in France, Moroccan single mothers and Afghan widows. Because the rights of women today are continuously subject to unacceptable threats, it is our responsibility to warn of the devastating consequences of obnoxious and retrograde practices. As the authority with the responsibility for the protection of children, we are particularly aware of the effects of such practices on the children of these women, victims of segregation, abandonment and worse...

In 2010, as in the previous meetings, the Loire-Atlantique County Council will be an active participant in these discussions which concern the human race as a whole... because the respect of Human Rights, in France, in Iran and elsewhere can no longer be an utopian dream.

Patrick MARESCHAL
President of the Loire-Atlantique County Council
Lascaux Meetings *From the land to food: from values to rules* (1st part)

Organiser: Lascaux European research Programme (Law-Food-Land), Nantes (France).

**OFFICIAL OPENING**

In the presence of Jean-Marc AYRAULT, Member of Parliament and Mayor of Nantes, President of Nantes Métropole. Introduction by François COLLART-DUTILLEUL, director of the Lascaux Programme, professor in law at the University of Nantes and member of the French University Institute.

**DISCUSSION-DEBATE**

From the land to food: review of the key questions, problems and expectations.

Discussion-debate with several key figures from institutions and international NGOs.

In November and December 2009, three significant international negotiations failed: the WTO in Geneva on agriculture, the global warming talks in Copenhagen and the FAO in Rome on the security of food supply. These failures demonstrate the difficulty of reaching agreement on the objectives to be attained, the policies to put in place, the obstacles to overcome and on the values that must be reinforced in the light of ever-increasing crises.

**Speakers**

**Presidency**

Emmanuel DECAUX, President of the International Permanent Secretariat Human Rights and Local Governments (Nantes), Professor of international law at the University of Paris II Panthéon-Assas, member of the Advisory Committee at the United Nations Human Rights Council.

The discussion-debate will be lead by:

Rafael GONZALEZ BALLAR, member of the International Union for Conservation of Nature (IUCN), member of the Supremer Council of the University of Costa Rica.

Jose Antonio BENGQA CABELLO, Vice-president of the Advisory Committee at the UN Human Rights Council (Chile).

Jean-Pierre DOUSSIN, Vice-president of Max Havelaar France.

David Ngaramaden HOUDEINGAR, President of the Constitutional Council of Chad, former Minister of Agriculture (Chad).

Claire MALWE, former Researcher at the Inter-American Court of Human Rights, Senior lecturer at the University of Rennes 1 (France).

Klaus PAS, Moviemaker, Director and producer, Turbulence Films (Switzerland).

Rajagopal PV, President, Ekta Parishad (India).

Flavio VALENTE, Secretary General, FIAN International (FoodFirst Information and Action Network).

**Rountable**

From the land to food: what is the situation with regard to rights to land and food?

Discussion-debate with researchers in social sciences from different continents.

In spite of all the international undertakings, all the international conventions, all of the legal instruments creating and recognising economic and social Human Rights, including the right for every small farmer to have access to productive land and the right of all to have access to healthy and sufficient food.
Many small farmers in the Southern hemisphere have no access to land and the number of people affected by famine and malnutrition continues to increase. Is this an indication that there is a crisis in international law? Does this mean that we should consider and establish a new legal framework?

**Speakers**

Presidency  
Laurence BOY, Professor of economic law at the University of Nice Sophia-Antipolis (France).

The discussion-debate will be lead by:  
Roch Gnahoui DAVID, Professor at the Cheikh Anta Diop University in Dakar (Senegal) and at the University of Abomey-Calavi (Benin).

Kitéri GARCIA, Senior lecturer at the University of Limoges (France).

Otto HOSPES, Associate Professor at the University of Wageningen (Netherlands).

Michel JACQUOT, Lawyer, former Director of European Agricultural Guidance and Guarantee Fund / EAGGF (France).

Li Erping, Professor at the University of Shantou, Guangdong (China).

Miguel Angel MARTIN LOPEZ, Associate Professor at the University of Seville, Head of International Cooperation at the Córdoba Diputación (Spain).

Ghislain OTIS, Professor at the University of Ottawa, holds the Canada Research Chair on Legal Diversity and Indigenous Peoples (Canada).

Moussa SAMB, Professor at the University of Cheikh Anta Diop in Dakar (Senegal).

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**Constitutional General Meeting**

**Shackles of Memory International Alliance**

*Under the presidency of Nicéphore Dieudonné SOGLO, Mayor of Cotonou, former President of the Benin Republic.*

In July 2006, during the opening ceremony for the 2nd World Forum on Human Rights here in Nantes, the towns forming part of the Shackles of Memory International Alliance ratified the Charter adopted at Antananarivo in November 2005. Groups from the three continents involved in the Atlantic slave trade (end 18th – mid 19th century) undertook to work together to encourage historical research into this dark period in their history and also to foster more friendly relations, based on equality and respect, between these different parts of the world. To continue the application of the Declaration of Limbé in December 2009, this constitutional general meeting should allow the Alliance to draw up its statutes, budget and organisation to further the work already undertaken, and to allow it to take a new step forward. Four commissions, under the leadership of towns from each of the three continents, will identify joint actions to be undertaken in relation to culture, education and research into Human Rights.

"**New Generation**" Events

**Children's Rights Day**

Organiser: Maison des citoyens du Monde - MCM (World Citizens Centre), Nantes.


The Maison des Citoyens du Monde in Nantes (World Citizens Centre), with its member associations and numerous partners, will co-ordinate this day which is dedicated to children on the theme of Children's Rights. It will be divided into two sessions:

- In the morning, workshops will take place to find out about children's rights here and in the world at large and to gain a deeper understanding of them (stories, children's roundtable, visual aids and discussion...);
The afternoon will start with an introduction by Dominique VERSINI, Ombudsperson for Children of the French Republic, and will continue with a performance by Compagnie Ô, L'empreinte d'ailleurs, a musical play which will bring together 150 children on stage, in a mixture of theatre, song and music to describe children's rights in a dream-like and poetic way.

The objective for the day is:

- To promote the initiatives for raising awareness of children's rights taking place across the country, and especially in and around Nantes and the Pays de la Loire region;
- To provide a setting for young people in a worldwide event taking place in Nantes;
- In addition, to provide a better understanding of the conditions that children live in across the world and to promote Convention on the Rights of the Child in the light of local and international solidarity, and through this to make a contribution to the education of children and young people in what it means to be a citizen.

Display area

To promote the initiatives in understanding children's rights and to give young people the chance to express themselves, a display area will be in place for the duration of the World Forum on Human Rights. In this way, every visitor will have the opportunity to discover the local initiatives and projects undertaken by tomorrow's citizens, as well as the work of associations who are active in the defence of children's rights. A Children's Rights centre, staffed by volunteers, will be available at the heart of the Forum. Displays will include: Nantes and its Romani children by François TAVERNE, the 20th anniversary of the Convention on the Rights of the Child by UNICEF, an interactive display of the Francas of the ten fundamental rights...

Young people at the centre of the World Forum on Human Rights

Organiser: Casa Africa Nantes association

The Casa Africa Nantes association wants to present a different view of the African continent. In particular, it wants to give young people the opportunity to benefit from this viewpoint, and from the educational possibilities that it raises, to give them a better outlook for their future.

Casa Africa Nantes raises questions about the place of children in society and the state of children's rights throughout the world by creating an occasion for reflection and dialogue.

Film Les Enfants perdus de M'Bour

Screening, followed by a debate in partnership with Alliance Ciné in the framework of the International Film Festival on Human Rights

In M'Bour, a port south of Dakar in Senegal, bands of poverty-stricken children help with unloading fish, scrubbing the keels of dug-out canoes and sometimes going to sea with the fishermen. They are students of Islam. Aged between 5 and 14, they have been handed over by their parents to new masters, religious leaders and teachers who have complete control over their academic and spiritual education. In fact, they give over most of their time to begging. Even worse, some of their masters exploit them to collect money and beat them if they do not collect enough.

France, 2006 (46 mins), documentary, unrestricted viewing.

SPEAKERS

Ibrahima GAYE, Honorary Consul of Senegal in Belo Horizonte (Brazil), Founder and Director of the Casa Africa Cultural Centre (Brazil).

Ridha TLILI, Historian, Expert in social movements, trade unionism and political thought, Vice-President of the FEMEC (Euro-Mediterranean Cultural Forum) and consultant at UNESCO, Director of the University Department for Memory and Identity at the National Heritage Institute (Tunisia).

Mbaye FALL, Citizen of Rufisque, working with street youth.
Meeting on the central themes of the World Alliance of Cities Against Poverty

United Nations Development Programme

Opening Ceremony
Welcome by Togo stilt walkers on the square in front of the Great Hall.
A choir made up of young people from Nantes from different areas of the city will sing a song composed specially for this event, *Listen to the children*, under the direction of Jackson REED (South Africa).

Speeches:
Jean-Marc AYRAULT, Member of Parliament and Mayor of Nantes, President of Nantes Métropole (France).

Florence AUBENAS, Journalist and Author, President of the International Observatory of Prisons (France).


Morten KJAERUM, Director of the European Union Agency for Fundamental Rights.

Marcia V. J. KRAN, Director of the Research and Right to Development Division / OHCHR, represents the High Commissioner for Human Rights, United Nations.

Jean-Paul DELEVOYE, Mediator of the French Republic.

Pierre SANÉ, UNESCO Assistant Director General for Human and Social Sciences.

Screening of *Last supper for Malthus* by Klaus PAS, in the presence of the director.

AFTER THE CEREMONY

Demonstration of hip hop dancing by two groups from the river Loire area: SSD and Ambitious Crew.

Organiser: Casa Africa Nantes.
**Roundtable**

**Cities and the Global Crisis: how can human rights be protected?**

International Coalition of Cities Against Racism.

Organiser: UNESCO / SHS

The International Coalition of Cities against Racism, launched by UNESCO in March 2004, aims to set up a network of towns interested in sharing experiences to improve their policies to prevent racism, discrimination and xenophobia. UNESCO is organizing a roundtable that will bring together representatives from the regional Coalitions. The proposed roundtable for 2010 will be an opportunity for discussing regional challenges that cities have to address when dealing with racism and discrimination in times of economic/financial difficulties and their effects on social cohesion, xenophobia, exclusion as well as how to exchange experiences on concrete municipal action carried out within the framework of the implementation of the regional Action Plans adapted to the effects of the crisis on discrimination and racism.

**Moderator**


**Speakers**

Rosa BADA, City of Barcelona, representative of the European Coalition of Cities against Racism.

Jean-Pierre ELONG MBASSI, Secretary General of the CGLU Federation – Africa (United Cities and Local Governments).

Jean-Paul MAKENGO, City of Toulouse, Vice President and representative of the European Coalition of Cities against Racism.

Representative of the Canadian Coalition of Municipalities against Racism and Discrimination.

Representative of the Coalition of Latin American and Caribbean Cities against Racism, Discrimination and Xenophobia.

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**Lascaux Meetings**

**From the land to food: from values to rules (2nd part)**

Organiser: Lascaux European research Programme (Law-Food-Land), Nantes (France).

**Roundtable**

**Agricultural development and the reduction of poverty**

Organisers: Lascaux Programme, Maison des Citoyens du Monde (World Citizens Centre), with the CCFD, Jan Ouest 2012.

Based on experiences from Humani-Terre's work in India, Palestine, Columbia and Mali.
**Tuesday 29th June**

**Identities, minorities: Living and acting together within diversity**

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**Speakers**

**Presidency**

Gérard FARJAT, Professor Emeritus of Economic Law at the University of Nice Sophia-Antipolis (France). The experiences will be presented by:

Ousmane DIALLO, Farmer, member of Association of Professional Farming Organizations – AOPP (Mali).

Fathy Hassan Ali KHDIRAT, Coordinator of the Jordan Valley Solidarity Campaign (Palestine).

Aida QUILCUE, Representative of the Nasa Indigenous people (Columbia).

RAJAGOPAL PV, President of Ekta Parishad (India).

NGO representatives and social science researchers will respond to these experiences:

Cheikh Oumar BA, Sociologist, Executive Director, IPAR/Senegal.

Vincent BONNECASE, Historian, Centre d’études d’Afrique noire of Bordeaux (centre for Black African studies), (France).

Jérôme BOUQUET-ELKAÏM, environmental law and human rights Lawyer (France).

Ghislain BREGEOT, Director of the Network for Training and Information on Development / IFAID Aquitaine (France).

Jean Denis CROLA, Responsible for Oxfam France’s economic justice campaign.

Martine FRANÇOIS, Research and Technological Exchange Group (GRET).

Bréhima KAMENA, Lecturer at the University of Bamako, Director of the Antenne Lascaux Applied Research Group / GRAAL (Mali).

Ambroise MAZAL, Representative on food sovereignty at CCFD / Terre solidaire.

Mathieu PERDRIAU, Representative for development projects and communications of the association Améliorer la gouvernance de la Terre, de l’eau et des ressources naturelles (AGTER, Association to Contribute to Improve the Governance of Land, Water and Natural Resources).

Issa SIBIDE, Assistant at the University of Bamako, Member of the Antenne Lascaux Applied Research Group / GRAAL (Mali).

Fatamba SISSOKO, Assistant at the University of Bamako, Member of the Antenne Lascaux Applied Research Group / GRAAL (Mali).

Françoise Bibiane YODA, Manager of the Department of Studies, Communication and Advocacy at the Femmes en action (Women in Action) network (Burkina Faso).

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**Roundtable**

**People, citizenship, equality, identity: can difference and diversity incorporate the mutual respect for rights?**

Organiser: The Lawyers Council / Bar of Nantes.

At this time of political, economic and communication globalisation, what rights to cultural diversity, expression, co-existence and maintaining cultural diversity can exist within States and faced with dominant cultures?

How can cultures, people and minority groups cohabit within this context? Can the concept of equality between individuals be achieved in such situations?

Is it possible for non-indigenous populations, migrant populations or people living in countries where they are in a minority, to integrate into a community which respects diversity?
Tuesday 29th June
Identities, minorities: Living and acting together within diversity

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SPEAKERS

Moderator
Philippe JOYEUX, President of the Bar, Nantes Bar Association.

Speakers:

Yann CHOUQ, Lawyer, Nantes Bar Association: **Existing legal norms in international and European Law, their integration and effectiveness.**

Aureli ARGEMÍ I ROCA, President of Ciemén: **Apprehension of the diversity of peoples and cultures within the institutional framework of different European democratic states.**

Rebiya KADEER, President of World Uyghur Congress: **The Uyghur people’s claims to the right to identity.**

**TRANS-STATE PEOPLES AND NATIONS: HOW CAN THEIR HUMAN AND CULTURAL COMMUNITY BE SUSTAINED?**

Selahattin DEMIRTAŞ, Lawyer, President of BDP (Kurdish Peace and Democracy Party – Turkey): **The Kurdish people dispersed over four States.**

Belkacem LOUNES, President of the World Amazigh Congress, Councillor of the Rhône-Alpes Region (France) – subject to confirmation: **The division of the Amazigh people.**

ROND TABLE

Indigenous peoples’ right of access to land and natural resources.

Organiser: Jérôme BOUQUET-ELKAÏM, Lawyer, Rennes Bar Association, President of the International Lawyers Association for Indigenous Rights / ILAIR.

The adoption by the United Nations General Assembly of the Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous People in 2007 marked a new chapter in the evolution of human rights. Setting out the importance of protecting cultural diversity, this Declaration takes into account the situation of the hundreds of thousands of individuals who belong to some 4,000 indigenous populations around the world and who were to this point overlooked by human rights. The right of access to land and to natural resources, the recognition of traditional land ownership systems and subsistence activities were, in this context, stated as being a prerequisite for the protection of the individual and collective fundamental rights of indigenous people. As a response to an historical problem, establishing the rights of indigenous peoples posed new challenges in the context of the clash between economic development and the preservation of cultural diversity, the race for raw materials and the protection of fundamental rights.

Moderator
Jérôme BOUQUET-ELKAÏM, Lawyer, Bar of Rennes (France).

Speakers:

Luis Alfredo ACOSTA ZAPATA, Member of the Nasa Indigenous peoples, Co-ordinator of the Indigenous Guard (Cauca region), The Indigenous Guard is an ancestral organisation and is an instrument of resistance, unity and autonomy for the defence of land and the aspirations of indigenous communities (Columbia).

Bilatan AG ANTA MOUSSA, Representative of a Tuareg NGO for the defence of human rights (Niger).

Raphaël MAPOU, Cabinet Director of the New Caledonian Customary Senate (New Caledonia).


Mélanie CLERC, the Indigenous Peoples and Minorities Unit of the United Nations Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights – subject to confirmation.
ROUNDTABLE

Access to citizenship and strengthening borders in Europe: towards better integration of migrants or towards increased discrimination?

Organisers: Regional research programme Dynamiques citoyennes en Europe (DCIE, Citizenship dynamics in Europe); Franco-British Cultural Centre (CCFB); House of Europe in Nantes; CRINI (Centre for research on national identities and intercultural studies) of University of Nantes.

The organisers propose pursuing the discussions which began during the 2008 Forum on intra- and extra-European immigration policies currently existing in different countries. Increasingly, new relationships between “identity and citizenship” raise questions: what place do we reserve for others in a society which is in the height of transformation, and above all, which is faced with the global crisis? Do migration flows within Europe or from other parts of the world really break down national borders? Where does Europe’s embryonic integration policy stand? Or are we witnessing an aggravation of discrimination against immigrants?

The discussion will also cover the question of media representation and new political practices of controlling naturalisation and how these are perceived by the general public.

**Moderator**

Thierry GUIDET, Journalist, director and founder of the journal *Place Publique*.

**Speakers:**

Artur BORZEDA, Political scientist and Specialist in international relations in Central Europe, manager of the Central European division of French Documentation at the International Documentation Centre (Governmental General Secretariat) (Poland).

Javier DE LUCAS, Professor of philosophy of law and political philosophy at the University of Valencia, Director of the Spanish College in Paris, Executive President of the Spanish Commission for Refugees (Spain).

Eva ERSBØLL, Lawyer, specialist in questions of citizenship and nationality in Europe, researcher at the Danish Institute of Human Rights (Denmark).

Mhoraig GREEN, Head of the Convention of Scottish Local Authorities (COSLA) Migration Partnership.

ROUNDTABLE

Poor children and single parent families: when the exercise of family responsibility breaks down

Organiser: Loire-Atlantique County Council (France)

Equality between all human beings, in dignity and in rights, is an intangible principle of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights. However, this principle finds itself up against human diversity, both in terms of the history of peoples and geography as well as in terms of the consequences of differences in philosophy, religion, sexual orientation... This principle of equality is particularly derided for women and for children from single-parent families or of single mothers. The theme of this roundtable proposed by the Loire-Atlantique County Council is that of single women and their children in the world: women as "single mothers", "heads of single-parent families" or "widows"... what is the reality in France, Morocco and Afghanistan?
**Monday 28th June**

**Panel Discussion:**

- **Moderator:** Marie-Lise Semblat, President of the ASTER International network, Administrator of *Genre en action* (Gender in Action) (France).
- **Speakers:**
  - Aicha Ech-Chenna, Founder of the organisation Female Solidarity (*Solidarité féminine*), awarded the Opus Prize in 2009 for her social commitment (Morocco).
  - Nadia Chafchaouni, Director of the Association Tazzanine d’Agadir (help for abandoned children in Agadir) and Hanan Adarab, Secretary General (Morocco).
  - Shoukria Haidar, President of Negar – Support for Women of Afghanistan (Afghanistan).
  - Raymonde Séchet, Professor of Geography at the University of Rennes 2, Director of the ESO research team (France).

**Tuesday 29th June**

**Roundtable:**

Reflecting upon and building citizenship in countries with a strong ethnic dimension


Constructing citizenship in countries with a strong ethnic dimension is fundamental in order to avoid a repetition of the tragedies at the end of the 20th century. Initiatives taken in this regard by States, civil societies, local organisations and the United Nations bodies to “act and live together in diversity”, include some indispensable actions: ensure dialogue between diverse cultures, encourage interaction and exchanges between different practices and schools of thought around “living together”. The UNESCO French Clubs Federation is deeply committed to this vision of the world and is convinced of the necessity of intercultural co-existence. It therefore wishes to bring together politicians, researchers, teachers and NGO campaigner with a view to discussing and developing new avenues for strengthening educational tools to promote a culture of peace from the point of view of fruitful coexistence between minority groups and cultures both in the south and in the north, however cosmopolitan they may be.

**Speakers**

- **Moderator:** Ardiouma Sirima, Principal Education Advisor, President of Coordination of the African Diaspora in Brittany (France).
- **Speakers:**
  - Victor Bouadjo, Publisher, Director of the African Book Fair in Angers (France).
  - Delphine Bouffenie, Deputy Mayor of Nantes, Head of Integration, Equality and Citizenship.
  - Adame Ba Konare, Author and Historian, President of *Mémoire Afrique* (African Memory) association (Mali) – subject to confirmation.
  - Yves Lopez, President of the French Federation of UNESCO Clubs / FFCU (France).
  - Abdoulaye Ouedraogo, Professor in visual anthropology at the University of Bordeaux II, Visiting Professor at Carlton College, Northfield, Minnesota / USA.
  - Adolphe Minkoa She, Professor of Law, Vice-president and Head of Research, Cooperation and Relations with Business World at the University of Yaoundé II (Cameroon).
**ROUNDTABLE**

**Live and think in partnership with the poorest people, a pre-requisite for eradicating poverty**

*Organiser: International Movement ATD Fourth World.*

People living in deep poverty have irreplaceable experience of the denial of human rights and can bring an invaluable contribution to the establishment of human rights and democracy. In order to free them from poverty, how and under what conditions can the identity of the poorest people be recognised? How can we engage with and act in poor communities in order to restore human rights? How can the specific experience of great poverty act as a lever for social justice and a renewed drive to live together?

**SPEAKERS**

- **Moderator**
  A journalist from RFI (Radio France Internationale).

- **Speakers:**
  - Geneviève DEFFRAIGNE TARDIEU, Author of a thesis on the construction of emancipatory knowledge.
  - Marie-Bernadette DIOP, permanent volunteer at ATD Fourth World in Sub-Saharan Africa.
  - Romain HURET, Historian, Senior Lecturer, University of Lyon II, Sciences Po, Paris.
  - Emmanuelle SOUMEUR-MÉREAU, Head of mission, Office for urban Renewal, Nantes Métropole.
  - A participant from the Université populaire Quart Monde, Île-de-France.

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**Lascaux Meetings**

**From the land to food:**

*from values to rules (2nd part)*

*Organiser: Lascaux European research Programme (Law-Food-Land), Nantes (France).*

**BIG CITIZENSHIP FORUM: NGO / RESEARCHERS DEBATE**

**From Land to Food, from values to rules.**

**What solutions exist?**

This review forum, concluding the Lascaux Meetings, will be led by *Olivier RABAELY*, Doctor in Law, Lascaux Programme representative for NGOs.

**SPEAKERS**

The discussion-debate, which is open to all participants and to the public, will be introduced by:

- **Antoine BOUHEY**, Food Sovereignty Officer at Peuples solidaires (United People) / Action Aid.
- **Laurent DELCOURT**, Sociologist, Researcher at the Tricontinental Centre of Louvain / CETRI (Belgium).
- **Christophe GOLAY**, Former assistant to the UN Special Rapporteur on the Right to Food, Researcher at the Geneva Academy of International Humanitarian Law and Human Rights (Switzerland).
ROUNDTABLE

Democracy, State land organisation and the protection of minority groups

Organisers: Maison des Citoyens du Monde (World Citizens Centre) and the Law and Social Change Laboratory (DCS) at the Faculty of Law, University of Nantes.

This roundtable will:

- lay out the institutional solutions available to democratic States in response to a wide range of minority claims (linguistic, religious, cultural, national);
- question the obstacles and difficulties in implementing these solutions, using examples taken from different parts of the world;
- draw information for general use from observable practice.

Speakers:

- Francisco BARBOSA, Lawyer, Researcher at the Law and Social Change Laboratory: People and Minorities in Latin America.
- Xosé Manuel BEIRAS, Professor of political economy, Faculty of Economic Sciences of the University of Santiago de Compostela, former member of Parliament in Galicia: General conclusions and perspectives.
- Marc JOYAU, Senior Lecturer in Public Law, University of Nantes: Institutional arrangements for minorities in democratic States.
- Jean-Pierre LEVESQUE, Cultural Institute of Brittany, President of the section entitled Law and Institutions: Territorial Minorities in France – The Briton example.
- Jean NJOYA, Professor of Public Law, University of Yaoundé: States, People and minorities in Sub-Saharan Africa.

ROUNDTABLE

Rights of minorities: what citizenship for the Roma?

Organisers: Coordination by the Maison des Citoyens du Monde (World Citizens Centre), with: Doctors of the World, the European Citizens Assembly, League of Human Rights, Nantes (France).

Aim: to better understand and convey the current situation of Roma in Europe. Linking their qualities as individual citizens and their overall situation as a minority group allows us to examine the treatment of specific communities in nation States. To combine citizenship – which is by nature egalitarian – with the granting of individual rights, European institutions have championed the protection of minorities as a practical method of applying human rights. Is this approach adapted to the needs of the Roma? In order to respond to this question, we have to first look at the identity of the Roma, whose legal status, in practical terms, is highly variable and who have an unsatisfactory social situation. Subsequently we will reflect on the concept of “minority” in general and that of Europe’s own minorities. State sovereignty being widely acknowledged, the work of European organisations for real improvements in rights is most often in the form of encouragement and co-ordination. In this context, the paradoxical situation of the Roma migrants merits individual attention.
**Moderator**

**Bernard VRIGNON,** Sociologist, Founding member of the European Citizens Assembly (ECA), President of the Maison des Citoyens du Monde (World Citizens Centre), Nantes (France).

**Speakers:**

**Olivier BERNARD,** President of Doctors of the World: *The conditions for receiving and integrating Roma migrants in different countries where Doctors of the World operate.*

**Julien ATTUIL-KAYSER,** Advisor to the Human Rights Commissioner at the Council of Europe: *Anti-discrimination action in Roma’s countries of origin;*

**Alain FENET,** Professor Emeritus at the University of Nantes, Member of ACAT (Christian action for the abolition of torture) and the MCM (World Citizens Centre), Nantes (France): *European law on minorities and the Roma.*

**Alain REYNIERS,** Anthropologist (University of Louvain-la-Neuve), Director of the magazine Études Tsiganes (Gypsy Studies) (Belgium): *Roma identity and social depictions.*

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**ROUND TABLE**

**Human Rights, biomedical techniques and the resurgence of the concept of ethno-racial identity**

*Organiser: Research centre for Law, Science and Technology, University Paris I Panthéon – Sorbonne (France).*

This roundtable addresses the implications of the persistent use of “ethno-racial” categories in the health field, in the context of the resurgence of differentialist discourse. Led by specialists in law, legal sociology and genetics, the discussion aims to better understand and critique the use of such categories in the health field (“ethnic” medication, targeted public health policies) and biomedical techniques (genetic tests to reveal origin, artificial reproduction). These questions, which are both sensitive and important, merit closer scrutiny in light of the current propagation of post- or trans-humanist projects which, advocating the development of human capacity through cutting-edge techniques, accept the idea of improving the human race and the possibility of creating sub-species.

**Moderator**

**Florence BELLIVIER,** Lawyer, Professor at the University Paris X – Paris Ouest Nanterre La Défense, Member of the International Federation of Human Rights Leagues (France), Member of the research centre for Law, Science and Technology.

**Speakers:**

**Laurence BRUNET,** Lawyer, Member of the research centre for Law, Science and Technology: *Medically assisted reproduction and “ethno-racial” categories.*

**Wolfram HENN,** Prof. Dr, Geneticist, Institute for Human Genetics / Genetic Counselling, University Clinic, Homburg/Saarland, (Germany): *Ethno-medicine and justice in the post-genomic era.*

**Marie-Angèle HERMITTE,** Lawyer, Director of Research at the CNRS, Director of Studies at EHESS (School for advanced studies in the social sciences), Member of the research centre for Law, Science and Technology: *Positive law and claimed rights relating to the human race.*

**Dorothy E. ROBERTS,** Kirkland & Ellis Professor Northwestern university School of Law, Chicago (USA) – legal sociologist: *Is Race-Based Medicine Good for Us?: African-American Approaches to Race, Biotechnology, and Equality.*
ROUNDTABLE

**Participation in cultural life: a pre-requisite for the rapprochement of cultures**


Despite the claims made in various normative texts, the increasing diversity of our societies continues to be seen as a weakness which has to be remedied. Moreover, the economic and financial crisis which has hit the world has exacerbated tensions between communities and has fed xenophobia and prejudice against immigrants. In this troubled and potentially explosive context, how can we arrive at an “entente cordiale” between peoples and achieve the aim of the International Year for the Rapprochement of Cultures? For the United Nations, the spread of creative diversity requires the full realisation of cultural rights. How can they be promoted in order to construct a more peaceful world, which is all the richer for its diversity? What should be the true scale of participation in cultural life and what factors will lead to this level increasing? How can such participation be promoted by public policies, in particular for the most disadvantaged? What role could the various United Nations bodies play, as well as the new independent expert?

**Moderator**

Pierre SANÉ, UNESCO Assistant Director General for Human and Social Sciences.

**Speakers:**

Shirin EBADI, Lawyer and human rights Defender, Nobel Peace Prize 2003 (Iran) – subject to confirmation.

Sally HOLT, Member of the Initiative on Conflict Prevention through Quiet Diplomacy (ICPQD), Essex Human Rights Centre, United-Kingdom.

Patrice MEYER-BISCH, Professor, Observatory of Diversity and Cultural Rights, Fribourg (Switzerland).

Abdoulaye SOW, Sociologist, university of Nouakchott, Member of the Fribourg Group (Mauritania).

A representative of the OIF (International Organisation of French-Speaking Communities).

ROUNDTABLE

**Displaced peoples, refugees and migrants; from separation to transformations in identity / construction, deconstruction**

Organisers: CIMADE and Doctors Without Borders, Nantes (France).

In the 1960s and 1970s, the world witnessed the development of refugee camps in the Middle East and in Asia. The following decade was to see a massive growth of camps in Africa, fewer in Central America and in Eastern Europe. At the same time, an aid system was put into place (through humanitarian and United Nations organisations) for these vulnerable populations. In order to help or to control these populations? History demonstrates that “all aid policies are simultaneously a means of controlling those who depend upon it”. These “dependents” go from being vulnerable to being undesirable, as a result of this system of separation, claims Michel Agier. Being recognised as “vulnerable” and then becoming “undesirable”, no longer having a function or a social role while “waiting” in a camp... leads to an identity crisis in the individual which cannot be ignored. This is what this roundtable proposes to analyse.

**Speakers**

Michel AGIER, Anthropologist at the Research Institute for Development, Director of studies at EHESS (School for advanced studies in the social sciences) where he heads up the Centre for African Studies, member of the Administrative Council of Doctors Without Borders (France).

Olivier CLOCHARD, Doctor of Geography (A game of borders in the access to refugee status: a geography of European asylum and immigration policies), Member of the European network Migreurop, Associate Member of Migrant (France).

Jacky ROPTIN (Jean CRESP), Psychologist by training, employed by the French mission of Doctors Without Borders, works with those who have been refused asylum in Paris (France).
The construction of social fabric in Latin America: four approaches (Chile, Brazil, Mexico, Guatemala)

Organisers: The Latin American Commission of the University Council on International Relations at the University of Nantes and the multi-disciplinary laboratory CERCI (Research Centre on Conflicts of Interpretation) in the context of the Americas Institute (France).

The (re)construction of the social fabric in Latin America allows us to examine the emergence of new modes of social inter-relations based on the declaration of collective identities in situations of intolerance and censorship or self-censorship. Four fields will be analysed here: literature, the media, art and community life. In Mexico, the accent will be placed upon the diversity of what some critics call “gay literature” as a response to the repressive power exercised against sexual difference. In Chile, the representation of sexual minorities will be examined as well as the role of the media over the past thirty years. In Brazil we will examine the mobilisation of organisations for disabled people, demanding to be seen as human beings with different abilities rather than fewer abilities. Finally, artists and community activists from the Armadillo organisation will share their views by showing how art and performance contribute towards developing the social fabric in Guatemala.

Speakers:

Moderator

Jean-Marie LASSUS, President of the Latin American Commission of the University Council on International Relations at the University of Nantes, Member of the Institute of the Americas Institute and Director of the multi-disciplinary laboratory CERCI / research centre on conflicts of interpretation (France).

Speakers:


Mario MUÑOZ, Arts graduate, Lecturer and Honorary Doctor of the University of Veracruz (Mexico).

Cathy PUPIN, Plastic Artist, Founder and Director of a branch of Armadillo in Nantes (France).

Guillermo SANTILLANA, Guatemalan Actor and Puppeteer, Director of Armadillo in Quetzaltenango (Guatemala).

Roxana VILLEGAS (Chile), Doctoral student in Latin American culture and civilisation at ERIMIT – University of Rennes 2 (research into the media, identity, representation, censorship, minorities and discrimination in Chilean society).
Plenary session

Moderator
A Journalist, Expert in foreign affairs.

Speakers:
Jose Antonio BENGOA, Anthropologist and Historian, Vice-president of the Advisory Committee at the UN Human Rights Council (Chile).
Virginia BONOAN DANDAN, Member of the United Nations Committee on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights (Philippines).
Régis de GOUTTES, Member and former President of the United Nations Committee for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination (CERD), Member of the National Consultative Commission on Human Rights (CNCDH), Senior Prosecutor to the Cour de Cassation (France).
Rebiya KADEER, Representative in exile of the Uyghur community in East Turkestan, Xinjiang province (People's Republic of China).
Adame Ba KONARE, Historian, Founder-President of the Mémoire Afrique association, former First Lady of Mali.
Walter Benn MICHAELS, Professor in the Department of English, at the University of Illinois at Chicago, author of The Trouble With Diversity (USA).

LECTURE

What does the future hold for the young people of Tibet (both in Tibet and in exile)?

Jetsun PEMA, sister of the Dalai-Lama, and TASHI WANGDI

Organiser: Tibet – Les enfants de l’espoir (Tibet - Children of hope) (France).

Lecture by Jetsun PEMA, head of education of Tibetan youth in exile, and Tashi Wangdi, representative of the Tibetan government in exile to Western Europe, in residence in Brussels. By means of introduction, there will be a screening of the documentary by Maria BLUMENCRON: Flight over the Himalayas – the children of Tibet on the path to exile.

Alongside the forum, Tibet – Les enfants de l’espoir (Tibet – the children of hope) are organising a photography exhibition by Thérèse Bodet at the Maison de l’Erdre, on the Île de Versailles in Nantes, from the 27th June to 25th July: Tibet : chemin de femmes (Tibet: women’s journeys), portraits of Tibetan women in their daily lives.
ROUNDTABLE

**Religious freedom, secularism and pluralism**

Organiser: International Permanent Secretariat Human Rights and Local Governments, Nantes (France).

From the Edict of Nantes through to the 1905 law on the separation of the church and the state, France did not cease to seek routes for freedom of thought, through pluralism and tolerance. The same can be said for freedom of conscience and freedom of religion. This freedom had both an individual and a collective dimension, in both the national and international context. It did not only relate to individuals and their personal beliefs, but also to practices and taboos, edifices and symbols, communities and institutions, in a world where identities were often fractured, despite appeals for a “dialogue of civilisations, cultures and religions”. Can the French secular model, based on the strict separation of the private and public spheres and the political and religions spheres, respond to the challenges of minority claims in the public realm, this “shared space” in a democratic society? Does respect for the rights of others put into doubt freedom of expression, based on the discussion of ideas, criticism and caricature? Does an attempt to develop “additional standards” alongside the International Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Racial Discrimination risk creating religious antagonism? While instant information can give a global dimension to a local incident, how can human rights mediate this fragile equilibrium between contradictory beliefs? Faced with an escalation in fundamentalism and its political repercussions and given the range of possible interpretations of it, how can different approaches to the notion of religious freedom, on the global scale, be approached without sacrificing freedom of thought which is at the very heart of human dignity?

**Speakers**

- Gérard FELLOUS, former Secretary General of the National Consultative Commission of Human Rights (France).
- Jean-Louis ATANGANA AMOUGOU, Professor of law at the University of Yaoundé II (Cameroon).
- Franck BOEZEC, Lawyer, Nantes Bar Association, specialist in law relating to foreigners, Member of the Syndicat des avocats de France (French lawyers’ union) / SAF (France).
- Virginia BONOAN DANDAN, Member of the United Nations Committee on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights (Philippines).
- Abdoullah CISSÉ, Professor of Law, former Rector of the University of Bambey, Diourbel, (Senegal).
- Ibrahim KABOGLU, Professor of Constitutional Law at Marmara University, former President of the Advisory Commission on Human Rights (Turkey).
- Catherine TEITGEN-COLLY, Professor of Public Law at the University Paris I – Panthéon-Sorbonne, Member of the National Consultative Commission on Human Rights (France).

**ROUNDTABLE**

**Human Rights during times of crisis and conflict**


Aims of this roundtable:

- To establish the state of affairs of important crisis and conflict situations in the French-speaking world.
- To identify human rights violations during these periods.
- To define responses to these human rights violations by human rights institutions and organisations.
How can the capacity of these institutions and organisations be strengthened to prepare them to carry out their mandate in such situations and how can they continue to be supported during these times?

How can States and the armed forces be made more aware of their responsibility to protect and respect the laws of armed conflict?

Speakers:

Moderator
Sidiki KABA, Lawyer, honorary President of the International Federation for Human Rights Leagues (Senegal).

Speakers:

Amady BAH, Office of the Prosecutor of the International Criminal Court - subject to confirmation.
Marie-Edith DOUZIMA LAWSON, Coordinator of the Central African Coalition for the International Criminal Court.
Patrick N’GOUAN, President of the Ivorian Human Rights League (Côte d’Ivoire);
Abacar NYAKANDA, High Commissioner for Human Rights and Good Governance (Central African Republic).
Shahrbanou TADJBAKHSH, Visiting Professor at the Institute of Political Sciences in Paris, the Editor-in-Chief of UNDP’s Afghanistan Human Development Report - subject to confirmation.
Jean-Bernard VERON, Agence française de développement (French development agency), specialist in “links between security and development” (France) - subject to confirmation.

Human rights violations have taken place in certain countries of the Maghreb in the past and more recently: arbitrary arrests, unfair trials, and disproportional punishment. Restrictions on freedoms affect the entire society. What place has human rights taken since independence and where does this leave democracy and public freedom? Is it currently possible to make a claim as to the real, effective situation of the respect for and violation of human rights? The roundtable proposes analysing the factors which have contributed to this situation, by using a variety of cross-cutting approaches: economic, political, historical, cultural. Participants include the ATMF – Washma Nantes (Association of Maghreb Workers in France) and the participation of trade unionists, lawyers and human rights activists from the Maghreb: Adnane Hajji, Bechir Laabidi, Adal Jayar and Abid Khlaifi, trade unionists and Zakia Dhifaoui, journalist and professor in Tunisia.

This roundtable is organised with the support of the Collectif Nantais de Soutien aux Tunisiens de Redeyef (Nantes Collective to Support Tunisians from Redeyef).
Social networks: a new medium for exercising and promoting fundamental rights?  
Or a new economic challenge at the expense of Human Rights? What is needed to create a balance?  

Organisers: JURISCOM (University of Versailles Saint-Quentin, France) and the International Permanent Secretariat Human Rights and Local Governments, Nantes (France).

Web-based social networks offer users a huge range of applications. The universal character of the internet effectively enables cross-border communication, by-passing State constraints in terms of freedom of information or access to culture. Easy to use, they allow a great number of fundamental freedoms to be promoted, as well as the promotion and protection of human rights across the world. But social networking sites also constitute a major economic challenge for a growing number of users and intermediaries who, by appropriating the contents can attempt to takeover the contents and thus distort the internet network. These challenges are not without consequences for the effective protection of human rights. How can internet use be regulated in this regard? Several initiatives, still very varied in nature, are currently being studied. Is the neutrality of the internet a solution? Is filtering a means of protecting the subjective rights of each individual or, on the contrary, does it pose a threat to fundamental freedoms? Without a doubt, salvation will once more come through research into this fragile balance which is being created...

**Speakers**

Francisco BARBOSA DELGADO, Lawyer and academic (Columbia), Law and Social Change Laboratory at the University of Nantes, France.

Frédéric DUFLOT, University of Sceaux (France), and/or Ronan HARDOUIN, ATER, DANTE Laboratory, (University of Versailles Saint-Quentin, France), Chief Editor of Juriscom.net (France).

Estelle DE MARCO, Consultant on legal and regulatory affairs relating to information technology and communication, Secretary General at the CRESIC (Centre for Research into the Study of the Security of Information and Cybercriminality) / Montpellier (France).

Toby MENDEL, Director, Centre for Law & Democracy (Canada) – subject to confirmation.

David GOLDBERG, Director, Access Info (Ireland) – subject to confirmation.

A representative of GOOGLE or TWITTER – subject to confirmation.
MEETING

Cities network (LCN / Local Community Network) of the European Agency for Fundamental Rights

Aarhus, Barcelona, Bradford, Graz, Mannheim, Reggio Emilia, Rotterdam, Turin, and Vienna.

ROUNDTABLE

For countries emerging from crises and concerned about human rights: what dialogue can exist between local government and civil society in the context of decentralisation?

Case study: the process of decentralisation in the Democratic Republic of the Congo

Organiser: Cosi, Promoting and defending human rights (Lyon, France).

The aim of this roundtable is to exchange views on the modalities of participative government in the context of decentralisation which, in closing the gap between government and citizens creates a dynamic which is conducive to the establishment of the rule of law and respect for human rights. Following an analysis of the specific situation in the Democratic Republic of the Congo, this debate will be enriched by sharing experiences of co-operation between French and Malian organisations and the role that these actors can play in supporting countries emerging from crises.

**Speakers**

**Moderator**
Jean-François PLOQUIN, Director of COSI / Forum Refugiés (Refugee Forum).

Speakers:

André BEKAMBO, Representative of COSI in the Democratic Republic of the Congo, expert in decentralisation and democratic participation.

Bernard HUSSON, Vice-president of the Conseil Lyonnais pour le respect des droits (Lyon council for the respect of Human Rights) / CLRD (France).

Ousmane SY, former Minister of Territorial administration and of local authorities of Mali and Director of the Centre for Political and Institutional Expertise in Africa (CEPIA).

Véronique MOREIRA, Vice-president of the Rhône-Alpes region, representative of Solidarité Internationale (International Solidarity).

A representative of the ministry of Territorial Administration and Decentralization in Democratic Republic of the Congo.

ROUNDTABLE

Lawyers, the permanent defenders of freedom of speech

Organisers: Conseil national des Barreaux (National Bar Council), Avocats sans frontières (France), Solidarité France-Chine association.
Lawyers are the first line of defence for freedom of speech. They are also the last line of defence against an arbitrary judiciary, when totalitarian regimes conceive of justice as a political weapon. Many lawyers around the world are subject to legal action, harassment, threats and imprisonment. The degree of democratisation of a State is measured in particular by the freedom with which a lawyer can act, as they are often the first to denounce restrictions on fundamental freedoms. “Solidarity” is not a word taken lightly in this profession: Bars and professional associations organise action to support and defend their colleagues who are threatened throughout the world, notably through the work of the International Observatory of Lawyers. This roundtable is the opportunity to hear from lawyers who have been victim of such repression. It will also give the floor to colleagues who continue to travel the world in support and defence of human rights.

**Speakers**

*Moderator*

*Speakers:*
Jean-Jacques GANDINI, Lawyer, Montpellier Bar Association, member of the China group of the League for Human Rights, Vice-president of the Institute for Human Rights, Montpellier Bar Association (France) and the Syndicat des avocats de France (French lawyers’ union).
Kirill KOROTEEV, Lawyer, Member of the NGO Mémorial (Russia).
LI Xiongbing, Lawyer (China).
Philippe MORICEAU, Lawyer, former President of the Bar – Bayonne, Vice-president of Avocats sans frontières (France), Member of the UIA (international union of lawyers).
A Tunisian Lawyer – subject to confirmation.

**ROUNDTABLE**

**Press cartoons used to support the abolition of the death penalty**

Organiser: Ensemble contre la peine de mort (ECPM), (Together against death penalty) France.

An unequivocal violation of human rights, the death penalty has been abolished for all crimes in 93 countries. 58 countries continue to use the death penalty. It remains a sensitive subject, even in those countries which have abolished it. Around the world, people remain divided on the issue. As a continuation of the 4th World Congress Against the Death Penalty, this roundtable wishes to contribute to the respect for and implementation of human rights. During these discussions, press cartoonists will explain their work and present the moral and political commitment which drives them to try to change the way people think. Their presentations will be illustrated with various sketches. Press cartoons as a strategy for raising awareness as to the necessity of abolishing the death penalty will be discussed during this roundtable, which will try to respond to the following question: how can press cartoons, which are symbols of freedom of speech, denounce and/or criticise the archaic use of the death penalty in certain countries?
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SPEAKERS
Presidency
Raphaël CHENUIL-HAZAN, Director of ECPM (France).
Moderator
Armelle LE GOFF, Journalist for 20 minutes, France.
Speakers:
Damien GLEZ, Cartoonist, Le Journal du Jeudi (Burkina Faso).
Nik KOWSAR, Cartoonist, Roozonline.com, based in France (Canada).
Nyemb POPOLI, Cartoonist and Chief Editor, Le Popoli (Cameroon).
NO-RIO, Cartoonist (Japan).
TIGNOUS, Cartoonist (France).
Other possible Cartoonists – subject to confirmation.

ROUNDTABLE
Freedom of association for the armed forces in Europe
Organiser: EUROMIL (European Organisation of Military Associations).
The question of the right of association for service personnel in Europe with, initially, a description of the situation in the European Union. In this context, the role of military associations, whose aim is to guarantee the social and professional interests of members of the armed forces, will be presented and explained using positive examples (Denmark and Germany) and negative examples (Spain). Additionally, this roundtable will seek to stimulate discussion by examining the myths around military associations, encouraging participants to consider soldiers as “citizens in uniform” as, as such, entitled to certain inalienable human rights. The question of access to an independent judiciary as an alternative to national military authorities will be presented, as well as the plan to create a European Union military ombudsman.

MODERATOR
Gerhard AHLBRECHT, Secretary General of the European Organisation of Military Associations (EUROMIL).
Speakers:
Emmanuel JACOB, President of the European Organisation of Military Associations (EUROMIL): Introduction and general overview.
Bernhard GERTZ, President of the German Federal Armed Forces Association, Vice President of the European Organisation of Military Associations: Germany.
Jorge Bravo ALVAREZ, President of the Unified Association of Spanish Military Personnel: Spain.

ROUNDTABLE
Information and communication technology, private life and freedom in Europe and the world
Organiser: Droits pour l’humanité (Rights for Humanity) association (Nantes).
There is nothing new in surveilling individuals in the name of public order. Today, the illusion of protecting against all risks leads people to accept restrictions on their freedom and invasion into their private life. Technological progress has led to a rise in the intrusive tools available and the means of social control. Our society appears to have become accustomed to the fact that everyone is registered, observed, traced; why object to this if you have “nothing to hide”? Are some uses of new technologies a response to the deterioration in social cohesion? How can the principles of personal data protection be rendered effective? How are these controls structured? A decisive field for the defence of human rights is on the brink of opening up. The idea of “total traceability” can lead to a departure from the principles of the democratic exercise of power, although all the consequences of the changes taking place are not yet clear. Examples from many continents give a better picture and serve as the basis for discussion and analysis.
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**Moderator**
Philippe LEGRAND, Collectif de défense des libertés contre les dérives sécuritaires (Group Defending Freedom against Excessive Security Measures) / CNCDS (France).

**Speakers:**
Ben HAYES, State Watch, London (United Kingdom) - subject to confirmation.
Bogdan MANOLEA, APTI, Bucharest (Romania).
Meryem MARZOUKI, President of the EDRI federation (European Digital Rights) – 28 organizations, 17 countries.
Katitza RODRIGUEZ, Electronic Frontier Foundation – EFF, San Francisco, USA (Peru).
Jean-Claude VITRAN, League for Human Rights (France).

**Roundtable**

**How can human rights be approached in the media and in advertising?**

Organiser: International Permanent Secretariat Human Rights and Local Governments, Nantes (France).

While human rights education is central to the work of international organisations such as the UN, UNESCO or the OIF as well as in school programmes in many countries, this long-term pedagogical challenge has often little effect on reality, which is all too often dominated by immediacy, polemics and one-upmanship. What place is there for a debate on human rights in the information age, which prefers the shock of images to the weight of words? How can we talk about human rights, without sinking into pessimism or provocation in this modern world which is prey to numerous crises? Going beyond the demagoguery of political speeches, which are inclined to denounce “individual thought”, how can human rights be discussed without putting into question their universality?

**Speakers**

**Moderator**
Emmanuel DECAUX, Professor of international law at the University of Paris II, Panthéon-Assas, President of the International Permanent Secretariat Human Rights and Local Governments, Nantes (France).

**Speakers:**
Dominique GERBAUD, Journalist, President of Reporters Without Borders (France).
Antoine GINIAUX, Reporter and radio presenter Le Mouv (France).
Sylvie HAURAT, Communications Director for Amnesty International – French section.
Jean-Marc MARTIN DU THEIL, Head of the French-language information site "Human rights" www.aidh.org (Switzerland).
Laurent TERRISSE, President of Limite, an advisory agency for responsible communication, FIDH council (France).
Frantz VAILLANT, former international Correspondent for France 2, Chief Editor at TV5 of the magazine Coup de pouce pour la planète (A helping hand for the planet), Professor of journalism, CELSA, Paris (Sorbonne).
**MEETING**

**Cities network (LCN / Local Community Network) of the European Agency for Fundamental Rights**

Aarhus, Barcelona, Bradford, Graz, Mannheim, Reggio Emilia, Rotterdam, Turin, and Vienna.

**ROUND TABLE**

**History and memories of slavery: art as a tool of freedom of speech and freedom of thought?**

Organisers: Le Bateau pédagogique (Educational Boat) association, Nantes (France) and American Museum of Creole Cultures Foundation / AMCC (USA).

In terms of the question of black slavery - still the source of numerous misunderstandings in some western countries, notably in the United States - art could be the key to “unlocking the doors”, a “vector”... Through experiments carried out in Nantes within the context of the Bateau Pédagogique (Educational Boat) project (a project to rebuild a slave boat as an educational tool), in the United States by the AMCC and in Benin (L’océan noir – The Black Ocean), art appears to offer an effective means of allowing individuals to contribute towards the construction of a multicultural and united future, inspired by human rights. But what is the situation elsewhere? Other than humanity, what does art bring to the expression of cultural diversity? What is the role of art in the individual and collective consciousness and in the promotion of human rights?

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**SPeakers**

**Moderator**

Randolph VOYARD, President of the American Museum of Creole Cultures Foundation / AMCC Foundation (Haiti / USA)

Speakers:

Philip BACON, Vice-president (Community and Regional Development) for the Collins Centre for Public Policy, Miami, Florida (USA),

Gérard DELFAU, Senior Lecturer at the University Paris VII, former member of Parliament (Senate) and former Mayor of Saint-André-de-Sangonis) (France);

Robert ELLIOT FULLILOVE, Associate Dean for Community and Minority Affairs, Professor of Clinical Sociomedical Sciences and Co-director of the Community Research Group at the Columbia University, New York (USA);

Patrice LORROT, Psycho-sociologist, Ariane association, Alfortville (France);

Claude RENARD-CHAPIRO, Promoter of the network Les nouveaux territoires de l’art (Art’s New Territories, using cultural economy for social cohesion), President of Notre atelier commun (Our Shared Project, study and service) and member of the Administrative Council of the SCIC La Friche de la Belle de Mai, (the Belle de Mai Wasteland), Marseille (France),

William Adjété Fred WILSON-BAHUN, Artist, Designer of L’océan noir, based on Abomey tapestry techniques (Benin).

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**MEETING**

**Platform for Western cities for Haiti**

Organiser: Nantes Métropole / Nantes urban district.
The Global Charter-Agenda for Human Rights in the City

Organisers: United Cities and Local Governments / Committee on Social Inclusion and Participative Democracy; International Permanent Secretariat Human Rights and Local Governments (SPIDH), Nantes, France.

The Global Charter-Agenda for Human Rights in the City is a project led by local organisations through the world-wide organisation United Cities and Local Governments / CGLU, aiming to establish public policies which respect fundamental rights. After the design phase (2007-2008), and the discussion phase (2009-2010), the final text should be adopted during the CGLU World Congress which will take place in November 2010 in Mexico.

The particularities of the Charter-Agenda is the fact that it includes not only legal-style articles but also propositions for concrete action, making it a useful tool for implementing rights for local organisations who adopt it.

The aim of this roundtable is to work on these propositions, so that the Charter-Agenda is not a simple declaration but leads to concrete applications for the benefit of all.

Plenary session

Moderator

Arnauld CHAMPREMIER-TRIGANO, Journalist, responsible for section on new media on Europe 1.

Speakers:

Abdoullah CISSÉ, Professor of Law, former Rector of the University of Bambey, Diourbel, (Senegal).

Geneviève GARRIGOS, President of Amnesty International (France).

Dominique GERBAUD, Journalist, President of Reporters Without Borders (France).

Lubna HUSSEIN, Journalist (Sudan).

Jean-François KAHN, Journalist, Writer and Politician, Founder and former director of the weekly magazines L’Evénement du jeudi and Marianne, Founder and Co-ordinator of Créa / Centre for Reflection and Research into Alternatives (France).

Alexandra KOULAEVA, Manager of Eastern Europe and Central Asia sections, International Federation of Human Rights Leagues (FIDH).


MEETING AND DISCUSSION

Amnesty International special evening

Meeting and discussion with representatives of the national secretariat and the presence of witnesses and defenders of human rights, for an evening of discussions on a subject connected to the 4th World Forum on Human Rights.

Witness accounts from human rights defenders (list below) followed by a talk by Geneviève GARRIGOS, President of Amnesty International – French section.

- Columbia

Ana Manuela OCHOA ARIAS, Lawyer for the Organización Nacional Indígena de Colombia (National Indigenous Organisation of Colombia).
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Marilyn MACHADO MOSQUERA, Activist from the Proceso de Comunidades Negras organisation (Black Communities Process). The two organisations promote and support the recognition, defence and respect for human rights of communities of African-descent and the indigenous population in Colombia, where discrimination, marginalisation and systematic violations of human rights of these populations is aggravated in the context of a lengthy internal armed conflict. Marilyn MACHADO MOSQUERA is particularly interested in questions of the environment, major mining projects and economies, currently hot topics in her country.

• Romania

Cezara DAVID, regional Leader (Bucharest) from the Romani CRISS association (Roma centre for social intervention and studies). Romani CRISS is a human rights organisation which focuses on the rights of the Roma minority in Romania.

• Egypt

Ramy RAOOF HAMIL, a young blogger and “on-line” activist who works for various Egyptian human rights organisations, notably as online media officer for the association Egyptian Initiative for Personal Rights (EIPR).

Ahmed EZZAT, Lawyer from the Association for Freedom of Thought and Expression. AFTE is a young organisation which defends the right to freedom of thought and speech through legal aid and acts in court to establish legal precedents. It also organises campaigns to lobby government and awareness raising workshops and campaigns.

• Democratic Republic of the Congo

Gautier MUHINDO MISONIA, Head of programmes at the Centre de recherche sur l’environnement, la démocratie et les droits de l’Homme (CREDDHO, Centre for Research into the Environment, Democracy and Human Rights). CREDDHO is one of the main human rights NGOs in North-Kivu, the frontier zone marked by conflict and ethnic tension.
**Roundtable**

**Access to the right to healthcare and exclusions from it as a result of unemployment, new forms of poverty and non citizenship**

Organisers: International Institute of Research in Ethics and Biomedicine, French and French-speaking Society for Medical Ethics, Laboratory of Medical Ethics at the University Paris 5, Consultation and Public Health Service of the University Hospital of Nanterre, French National Commission for UNESCO, French Ministry of Foreign and European Affairs, Doctors of the World, National Consultative Commission of Human Rights (France).

The aim of this roundtable will be to reflect on public health policies likely to progress this area of law. It will treat the following subjects:

- The phenomenon of exclusion due to poverty (economic, cultural and social), strengthened by allogenesis in society.
- Excluding the fringes of the population.
- The question of the effectiveness of institutions: does standard healthcare respond to the needs of these populations in a situation of exclusion? How can prevention and education be organised? How can we explore the relationship between healthcare institutions and organisations which are involved in preventative care?

In a healthcare system, we have to consider healthcare institutions and their funding, the educational system and the social, family and professional contexts.

**Speakers**

- **Pierre MICHELETTI**, former President of Doctors of the World (France).
- **Gurch RANDHAWA**, Professor at the University of Bedfordshire (research on diabetes amongst minority ethnic groups), Chairman of NHS (National Health Service), Luton (United Kingdom).
- **Michèle STANTON JEAN**, former Canadian Deputy Minister of Health (1993-1998), former President of the Canadian Commission for UNESCO, President of the UNESCO's International Bioethics Committee (Paris, 2003-2005), Visiting Researcher at the Research Centre in Public Law, Faculty of Law, University of Montréal (Canada).
- A representative of the **Santé Migrants** (Migrant Health) association, Loire-Atlantique (France).

**Roundtable**

**The contribution of trade unions to promoting and protecting human rights.**

Organisers: Institute for Global Responsibility (Audencia Nantes / Management School), in partnership with the International Research Network on Organisations and Sustainable Development (IRNOSD) and UNI Europa.

This roundtable aims to analyse the different ways in which trade unions can contribute to the protection of human rights, widening their traditional field of action. The various speakers at the roundtable including trade union representatives, NGOs and researchers, will address the ways in which human rights are integrated into the trans-national agreements negotiated between trade unions and some multi-national companies. It will also examine awareness raising campaigns and training put into place by European or international trade union federations as well as co-operation between trade unions and NGOs.
Thursday 1st July

Work: defending and strengthening the right to work, despite the economic crisis

ROUNDTABLE

Trade in female migrants: prostitution and the structure of a global system of prostitution

Organisers: Espace Simone de Beauvoir and Collectif 44 Vigilance féministe, Nantes, France.

The specific premise of this roundtable is that the trafficking of women is made possible through a global system of prostitution; a system which has its roots in the structures of power and domination which are linked to social relationships of class, gender and origin. It is also kept alive by both the social trivialisation of prostitution and certain political speeches, some emerging even at government level. This global system will be studied through the lives of foreign prostitutes who have experienced life as a migrant. The organisation of prostitution in the context of globalisation of exchanges and the development of personal mobility, as well as situations of poverty and precariousness in which female migrants find themselves - more so than men - also contribute to this global system of prostitution. The following will therefore be analysed in this roundtable: female migration strategies, the individual and social reasons leading to migration but also the discursive and legislative context which makes these women shift from the status of victims to that of offenders; recruitment mechanisms and creating female dependency, here and elsewhere, in mafia-style financial contexts; the concept of trafficking and its pitfalls.

Speakers

Jean-Paul BOUCHET, Secretary General, UNI Europa (France).
Roland PEREZ, International Research Network on Organisations and Sustainable Development, IRNOSD (France).
André SOBCZAK, Director of the Institute for Global Responsibility, Audencia Nantes (France / Germany).

A member of the Enterprise Commission of Amnesty International – subject to confirmation.

A foreign trade union representative from the UNI Europa network UNI Europa – subject to confirmation.

Grande Halle sous balconie

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ROUNDTABLE

The social economy, building an alternative model to strengthen rights.

Organisers: Les Écossolies association, Maison des Citoyens du Monde (World Citizens Centre), Nantes Métropole, NAPCE.

The current crisis strongly brings into question the existing economic model where the individual no longer appears to be at the heart of the system. To what extent could a social economy contribute

Moderator

Florence GRESLIER-RAMBAUD, Collectif 44 Vigilance féministe and Espace Simone de Beauvoir.

Speakers

Anne BOUILLON, Lawyer, Nantes Bar Association (France).
Georgia FAM, Association de Solidarité du Cameroun (Cameroon solidarity association).
Malka MARKOVICH, Historian, European Director of CATW (Coalition against Trafficking in Women), economist, member of the Scientific Council of ATTAC: The prostitution system and trafficking in female migrants.
Nasima MOUJOUD, Senior lecturer in anthropology, Pierre Mendès France University, Grenoble 2, member of the Genre et Sociétés (Gender and Society) team, UMR CNRS 5190 LARHRA (Rhône-Alpes Laboratory for Historical Research: The route of female migrant prostitutes.
Claire QUIDET, Journalist, activist for the Mouvement du Nid (Nest Movement): Possible forms of action in Europe and in countries of origin.

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to modifying the profound imbalances of the current economic system? What overlaps are there with the principles defended by the International Labour Organization and in particular by the principle of decent work? Can a social economy guarantee a better defence of rights than the classic economic system? What considerations does a social economy bring to the concept of work? How can “producing, consuming, employing, saving and deciding in another way, in way which is more respectful to individuals, the environment and the land” strengthen these rights? In conclusion we will examine the possible future of the social economic system within a globalised economy and the role of networks as these alternative models emerge.

**Speakers**

**Presenter**
Pascal MASSIOT, Chief editor of radio Jet FM.

**Speakers:**
Ousmane Barke DIALLO, Farmer, member of the Association of Professional Farming Organizations / AOPP (Mali).
Augustin EMANE, Senior Lecturer at the Faculty of Law at the University of Nantes, Head of the scientific animation mission at the Institute for Advanced Studies, Nantes (France).
Hélène COMBE or J.F. DRAPERIE.
Philippe FREMEAUX, Chief editor or Manuel DOMERGUE, Alternatives économiques.
Jean Philippe MAGNEN, Deputy Mayor of Nantes, community advisor for Nantes Métropole in charge of the Social Economy portfolio, Vice-president of the Regional Council of the Pays de la Loire, Vice-president of RTES (Network of social economy territories), member of the REVESS network (European Network of Cities and Regions for the Social Economy), (France).
Joaquin MUNOZ, Director of Max Havelaar France.
A representative of RIPESS.

**Meeting of cities having signed the European Charter for Human Rights in the City**

**Roundtable**

Land, mines, factories, large building sites...
Globalisation and the rights of workers in Africa, Asia and Latin America

**Organisers:** Droits pour l’humanité (Rights for Humanity) association / Agency for economic development Afrique Loire, Nantes, France.

While the global crisis has certainly accentuated phenomena which are detrimental to economic rights and hence to human rights, globalisation is in itself an endogenous destabilising factor. How can we account for the causes and consequences of this deterioration and remedy it? What global strategies have been implemented by large international federations? What synergies are there with and between sectoral or territorial actors? How can sovereign or tribunitian interventions be optimised? A large amount of diagnosis will be available to the roundtable beforehand to be able to concentrate on “cross-cutting” lessons and to put into perspective the dynamics of change. In this way, human rights actors will leave with an enlightened, reassured and realistic vision.
Moderator

Thomas Alain BOULI. President of the economic development agency Afrique Loire.

Speakers:

Bernard NJONGA. President of the Citizens Association for the Defence of Collective Interests / ACDIC (Cameroon): Territorial and sectoral expertise: citizens’ rights and the agricultural world in Africa.


Fabien COHEN. France Latin America - subject to confirmation: The mining sector in Latin America.


Kené FOBA. Magistrate, Association of African Lawyers, former President of the Tribunal for work and social security in N’djamena (Chad).

SPEAKERS

ROUND TABLE

Health and protection of life at work: a fundamental human right

Organiser: Peuples solidaires (United Peoples), France.

More than two million people die every year following accidents at work or work-related illnesses. It is often the most disadvantaged and the least protected – generally women, children and migrant workers – who are the most affected, particularly in developing countries. In different economic sectors and depending on the type of activity in question, businesses have direct or indirect impacts upon the health of their employees, some of which are extremely harmful. Increasingly, multinational companies are voluntarily committing themselves to putting into place measures to protect the health and safety of their workers. Nevertheless, these commitments all too often remain a dead letter. What measures have been taken by States and international institutions to respond to these problems? How can this question addressed by concerned stakeholders: unions, NGOs, employers, public authorities and international organisations? These are some of the questions that participants at this roundtable will consider.

Fanny GALLOIS. Responsible for the "Human rights at work" section, Peuples solidaires (France).

Carmen RIOS. President of ANAIRC (Nicaraguan Association of Persons Suffering from Chronic Kidney Failure): an illness affecting former sugarcane workers affected by pesticides (Nicaragua).

Annabella ROSEMBERG. Policy Officer, Sustainable Development & Occupational Health, International Trades Union Confederation (ITUC), member of the Trade Union Advisory Committee to the OECD (TUAC).

Annie THÉBAUD-MONY. Sociologist, Inserm director of research, specialist in questions of health at work, president of the Henri Pézerat, santé, travail, environnement association (Henri Pézerat, health, work, environment), author of: L’vers des sociétés industrielles, approche comparative franco-brésilienne, L’Harmattan, 1991 (The opposite of industrial societies, a comparative Franco-Brazilian approach); L’industrie nucléaire, sous-traitance et servitude, Inserm – EDK, 2000 (The nuclear industry, sub-contracting and servitude) Inserm – EDK, 2000; Travailler peut nuire gravement à votre santé, La Découverte, 2007 (Working can seriously damage your health).

Jean-François TROGRLIC. Director of the International Labour Organization (ILO) in France.

SPEAKERS

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**ROUND TABLE**

**Women, the first victims of human rights at work: violations in the aftermath of an economic crisis**

Organiser: *Peuples solidaires (United Peoples), France.*

Women are over-represented in precarious, poorly paid jobs, and are often employed in work which is directly targeted by “redundancy schemes”. They also hold a minority of senior positions. There are many obstacles for women to overcome before their right to work will be recognised, before they can be not entirely dependent upon a male-dominated labour market, before their wages are equal to those of men, and before they are not refused a job on the basis of pregnancy. The particularities of their situation and the violations of their employment rights remain largely ignored. More vulnerable in terms of forced redundancy, women can also be “eliminated” in times of economic crisis and brought back into the workforce as required. While the economic crisis has revealed the weaknesses of the fight against sexual discrimination, is it a good time to consider an economic model which respects the rights at work of everyone, without discrimination and to rethink the relationship between men and women in the workplace?

**SPEAKERS**

- **Samira CADASSE**, Head of Diversity, Accenture - subject to confirmation.
- **Michel FAUCON**, former Representative of CRID / Centre for Research and Information on Development (France).
- **Laurence LAIGO**, National Secretary, CFDT (France).
- **Dominique SAINT-MACARY**, Head of development of studies and statistical analyses, *Secours Catholique* (France).

**ROUND TABLE**

**Employment and the rights of people with disabilities**

Organiser: *Association des paralysés de France (Association of paralysed people in France).*

The current economic crisis accentuates the precariousness of workers with disabilities. Most of these people live under the threshold of poverty and are confronted by discrimination. They do not want to be “ignored” by public policies and live like “second class citizens”. This daily struggle is part of the defence of human rights recognised by the United Nations International Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities (2006) and the European Charter on Human Rights (2000). How can we design a cross-cutting and integrated disability policy which is non-discriminatory, based on common law and respect for equality of treatment? The European Directive on Equal Treatment in Employment and Occupation of the 27th of November 2000 transposed into French law by the Handicap Law of 11th February 2005, states that all forms of direct and indirect discrimination in this field must be abolished. Human rights are the foundation of cross-cutting, integrated discrimination policies, giving all the right to work. For those who cannot work as a result of disability or illness, should we move from a model of assistantship to a logic of contributory law, as the basis of full citizenship?
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**SPEAKERS**

Moderator

Grégoire CHARMOIS, Director of the delegation of the APF (Association of Paralysed People in France) in Loire-Atlantique.

Speakers:

Jean-Marie BARBIER, president of the APF (Association of Paralysed People in France); The French model, the example of Ni Pauvre Ni Soumis (Neither poor nor subjugated).

Christian DELORME, former president of the Conseil français des personnes handicapées (French Council of Disabled People) / CFHE: The challenges of the European non-discrimination directive.

Yannis VARDAKASTANIS, president of the European Forum of Disabled People / FEPH: The European model.

A representative of the Conseil français des personnes handicapées (French Council of Disabled People) / CFHE for European questions: The international context.

**ROUNDTABLE**

Who can ensure that human rights and rights at work are respected in companies?

Organisers: Maison des Citoyens du Monde (World Citizens Centre) with Amnesty International Loire Océan, Association France Palestine Solidarité (French Palestine Solidarity Association), Guinée 44 Coopération Atlantique – Survie, Confédération générale du travail – CGT (General Work Confederation), France.

Globalisation gives multi-national companies increased power in comparison with States. Companies are increasingly denounced by the media, NGOs and unions when they violate human rights or are complicit in their violation. Companies, their representatives and consultative networks have developed tools which are called “soft law”: codes of conduct, standards, declarations … Within the United Nations, the work of John Ruggie, Special Representative of the Secretary General for Human Rights, trans-national companies and other companies, can progress international law. The media, NGOs and unions work to ensure that international law is respected by companies. How effective is this? How can we raise public awareness, as consumers, citizens and employees? How can training programmes integrate this new dimension for more ethical management?

Moderator

Xavier GUILLAUMA, Administrator of the Maison des Citoyens du Monde (World Citizens Centre) in Nantes, member of the Executive Bureau of Amnesty International (France).

Speakers:

Joaquim DA FONSECA, Manager of the INTAL NGO (Palestinian and Latin American co-ordination), active against the funding of Israeli colonies by the Franco-Belgian bank Dexia.

Alain DENEAULT, Philosopher and Sociologist (UQAM researcher – Quebec), co-ordinator of the Ressources d’Afrique organisation, author of Noir Canada (Black Canada) (Canada).

Mamadou MANSARE, Administrative Secretary of the National Confederation of Guinean Workers (CNTG), Executive Secretary of the Forum inter-syndical des sociétés minières et industries de Guinée (Guinea Inter-Union Forum for Mining and Industrial Companies) / FISMIG (Guinea).

Thierry PHILIPPONAT, member of the Executive Bureau of Amnesty International France.
ROUNDTABLE

Current forms of human trafficking as an indication of the human rights crisis

Organisers: Esclavage Tolérance Zéro (Zero Tolerance Slavery) association / ETZ, Marseille (France).

In a global context of an economic crisis marked by profound imbalances and fundamental violations of human rights, it seems important to reflect on the current forms of human exploitation around the world. What are the social and mental conditions of the lives of those who are victims of human rights violations? What mechanisms exist to identify and support these situations? How do we address the question of rights? Through the use of case studies, it will be shown how human trafficking is a major indication of a crisis in human rights. Faced with this complex phenomenon, little by little, we can create a space for reflection and action...

Speakers

Naghham HRIECH WAHABI, Clinical Psychologist, Director of the Esclavage Tolérance Zéro association (Zero Tolerance Slavery).
Hélène CLÉMENT, Lawyer (the Henriette Siliadin case before the European Court of Human Rights) – subject to confirmation.
Jean-Claude MBVOUMIN, former Professional Footballer, President of the Culture Foot Solidaire association (United Football Culture).
Olivier PEYROUX, Sociologist, Deputy Director of the Hors la Rue association (Off the Street).
Yann PREVOST, Lawyer, Marseille Bar Association – subject to confirmation.
Teresa PUNZI, Co-director of a documentary on human trafficking (screening of an extract of the documentary).
Saida SAGHIR, Manager of non-formal education, Association Bayti (Morocco).

ROUNDTABLE

How can civil society work together to advance the respect for human rights at work in the context of the practice of sub-contracting by multi-national companies?

Organisers: De l’éthique sur l’étiquette – ESE (Fair trade labelling) with Peuples solidaires (United People), the Clean Clothes Campaign network and the CCFD – Terre solidaire (United land).

What conditions throughout the supply chain guarantee the respect for fundamental rights of workers, in particular payment of a decent wage and freedom of organisation and collective negotiation? Is the concerted action of unions, NGOs and consumers’ organisations a guarantee that fundamental rights at work are better implemented, and how is this articulated? How can we ensure co-ordination between strategies and approaches of the different actors? How can unity between the consumers in the north and workers in the south be developed and contribute towards shared social progress?
### ROUNDTABLE

**Experiences of implementing the European Charter for Human Rights in the City**

*Organisers: United Cities and Local Governments / Committee on Social Inclusion and Participative Democracy: Network of European cities having signed the European Charter for Human Rights in the City.*

### ROUNDTABLE

**Economic crisis, environmental crisis: the impact of European policies on the migrants of today and tomorrow**

*Organiser: Droits pour l’humanité (Rights for Humanity) association, Nantes, France.*

Contemporary migration is linked to situations of war and extreme poverty. The collapse of labour markets and lack of food lead to social and economic instability in developing countries. The consequences are forced immigration on the regional and intercontinental level... A real adjustment variable for economic policies in the European Union, these migrants constitute a labour force which is required but not recognised in the European economy. The inevitable environmental changes of this migration have also to be considered. What will States do? Will they lift restrictions on migration? Will they put into place solidarity rules towards these countries which experience population movements on their territories? Will they recognise and pay the “environmental debt” that the north owes to the south?
Thursday 1st July
Work: defending and strengthening the right to work, despite the economic crisis

Moderator
Cédric GRATTON, Co-president of GASProm and FASTI / Federation of Associations in Solidarity with Migrant Workers (France).

Speakers:
Ali EL BAZ, Co-ordinator of Association des travailleurs maghrébins de France (association of Maghreb Workers in France) / ATMF.

Bernadette HÉTIER, Mouvement contre le Racisme et pour l’Amitié entre les Peuples association (Movement against Racism and for Friendship Among People) / MRAP (France).

Hélène FLAUTRE, European MP for the Green Party/ALE, former President of the European Parliament’s Sub-Commission on Human Rights.

Fillipo MIRAGLIA, President of ARCI, an Italian NGO operating in the Lampedusa camp.

Pierre NAKOULIMA, Senior Lecturer at the University of Ouagadougou, Burkina Faso.

Sarah PRESCIANNI, MIGREUROP network.

Catherine WITHOL DE WENDEN, Centre for International Research at the Human Rights League, (France).

ROUND TABLE

Work: from imposed servitude to accepted servitude
Organiser: The Shackles of Memory association, Nantes, France.

For a long time, employment was a form of imposed servitude. From the end of the 19th century, workers began to be given social rights. These first emerged in European countries before being sanctioned at the international level by texts such as the ILO Constitution of 1919, the Declaration of Philadelphia of 1944 and the Universal Declaration of Human Rights. However, the early 20th century brought with it questions. With globalisation, the idea of all-powerful economic laws ended up being imposed upon the majority of people. For Professor Alain Supiot “the aim of social justice was substituted by that of the free movement of capital and goods, and the hierarchy of ends and means was reversed”. Thus we see a resurgence of a model which consisted of legitimising the exploitation of workers through the principles of equality and contractual freedom. Contrary to what had been seen previously, this involved individuals freely choosing to renounce claims for the application of their social rights...

Moderator
Augustin EMANE, Senior Lecturer at the Faculty of Law at the University of Nantes (France).

Speakers:
Cheikh Oumar BA, Executive Secretary of the Initiative prospective agricole et rurale, (Agricultural and Rural Prospects Initiative), Dakar (Senegal).

Philippe Jean HESSE, Honorary Professor of history of law at the University of Nantes, member of The Shackles of Memory (France).

Suresh SHARMA, Sociologist, Historian of the ideas and anthropology of Indian culture, former Director of the Centre for the Study Developing Societies (India).

A representative of an association of labour unions – subject to confirmation.
Thursday 1st July

Work: defending and strengthening the right to work, despite the economic crisis

Plenary session

Moderator
Alexandra BOGAERT, Journalist and Reporter – Society section of the daily paper Metro (France).

Speakers:
Paul BOUCHET, Lawyer, former President of ATD Fourth World (France).
William BOURDON, Lawyer at the Paris Bar, founder of the Sherpa NGO (France).
Natan ELKIN, Co-ordinator, International Labour Standards Department, International Labour Organization (ILO).
Ruchira GUPTA, President and Founder of Apne Aap Women Worldwide (India).
Gulnara SHAHINIAN, United Nations Special Rapporteur on Contemporary Forms of Slavery.
Frank WILLEMS, Department of Human and Trade Union Rights, International Trade Union Confederation / (ITUC-CSI).

Closing session

Introductory speech
Robert BADINTER, Senator, former Minister for Justice – Keeper of the Seals, former President of the Constitutional Council (France): Against the criminalisation of homosexuality.

Speakers
Jean-Marc AYRAULT, Member of Parliament and Mayor of Nantes, President of Nantes Métropole.
Souhayr BELHASSEN, President of the FIDH (International Federation of Human Rights Leagues).
Jacques AUXIETTE, President of the Pays de la Loire Regional Council.
Emmanuel DECAUX, President of the International Permanent Secretariat.
**Pop libre! Liberty ...**

A work of art by David CINTRACT offered to the Nantes Forum.

David CINTRACT, a French contemporary artist, founded the *Pop libre* (free pop) movement. Inspired by the legacy of Andy Warhol, Roy Lichtenstein, Erro and others, the *Pop libre* movement takes an interrogative and provocative look at the modern world. Through the sublimation of sensitive subjects, David CINTRACT invites us to seek and express our thoughts, all our thoughts, in complete freedom. Deeply inspired by humanity, David CINTRACT is convinced that art can greatly contribute to the promotion of rights and freedoms and the development of progressive views. Aware of the issues tackled in the 4th Forum, he wanted to offer the Forum and its visitors a unique piece of work, symbolising, depending on your perspective, various questions which have been asked. Entitled *Pop libre! Liberty...* this work encourages us to act together to promote our rights and freedoms.

(For more information: http://cintract.com)

David CINTRACT's work, for which the organisers thank him warmly, is visible in the Great Hall at the Cité des Congrès.

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**Stands and exhibitions**

**Great Hall at the Cité des Congrès**

*Pop libre! Liberty ...* a work of art by David CINTRACT offered to the Nantes Forum.

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**Stands and exhibitions**

**Alliance for Freedom and Dignity / AFD** : stand (Great Hall)

**Amnesty International** : *Dignité* exhibition (L’Œil public organisation) + stand (Great Hall)

**A6** association: stand (Great Hall)

**Femmes du monde** association: stand (Great Hall)

**France Tibet and Culture en exil** associations: stand (Great Hall)

**Le Bateau pédagogique** (*Educational Boat*) Association, Nantes: Le container nomade (*The nomad container*) – outside in the forecourt.

**Association of Expelled Malians** (AME): stand (Great Hall)

**Posters for tomorrow** association: stand (Great Hall)

**ATD Fourth World / Global Action Against Poverty** : stand (Great Hall)

**Avocats Sans Frontières** – France and the *École des Droits de l'Homme* (*School of Human Rights*): stand (Great Hall)

**Nantes Esperanto cultural centre** : stand (Great Hall)

The **CIMADE**: stand and 70th anniversary exhibition: stand (Great Hall)

**Droits pour l’humanité** (*Rights for Humanity*) association: stand (Great Hall)

**Enfants étrangers citoyens solidaires** (*children foreigner citizens united*) organisation, Nantes / RESF 44 : stand (Great Hall)

**Morocco Consultative Council for Human Rights** : stand (Great Hall)

**Loire-Atlantique County Council**: exhibition *Les chantiers de l’Égalité* (*The Equality Workshops*): stand (Great Hall)

**Ensemble contre la peine de mort / ECPM**, (Together against death penalty): stand and exhibition (Great Hall)

**International Federation of Human Rights Leagues** / FIDH: stand (Great Hall)

**Cultural Institute of Brittany** : stand (Great Hall)

**IIDAC / Institute for the Development of Citizenship** (Brazil): stand (Great Hall)

**International League Against Racism and Anti-Semitism** / LICRA: stand (Great Hall)

Maison des citoyens du monde (*World Citizens Centre*) and partners: Thematic space *Droits des enfants* (*Rights of the child*) (Great Hall - balcony)


**Doctors Without Borders**: tent in the forecourt

**Nantes Métropole / Nantes urban district**: stand (Great Hall)

**Oxfam – act here**: *Oxfam mobilises citizens for a more united and just world*: stand (Great Hall)

**Peuples solidaires** (United Peoples): stand (Great Hall)

**Posters for tomorrow**: *Freedom of expression* exhibition (Great Hall)

**Pays nantais Québec**: stand (Great Hall)

**The Pays de la Loire region**: stand (Great Hall)

**University of Nantes**: Lascaux Programme, higher education service ...: stand (Great Hall)

**University of Yaoundé**: stand (Great Hall)
Presentation of the installation *Le container nomade* (The nomad container)

In the context of the *Le Bateau Pédagogique* project (The Educational Boat)

*Le Bateau Pédagogique* (a reconstruction of a slave boat for educational purposes) is a project which encourages action against discrimination and contemporary forms of slavery and, more generally, against all violations of human dignity: child labour, prostitution, exploitation at work, human trafficking... Realities which are unfortunately known on all continents...

Aware of this reality, and having himself posed the same questions on the problems of discrimination, racism and contemporary forms of slavery, the artist Guy LORGERET created *Les Femmes Nomades* (Female Nomads) in 2009. These are the ambassadors of the *Bateau Pédagogique* throughout the world, until, during and after the construction of the *Bateau Pédagogique*. They will travel with the *Le Container Nomade* (The nomad container). Approved by UNESCO (the Route of the Slaves programme) it will travel the world to raise awareness of the *Bateau Pédagogique*, hoping to raise the necessary funds for its construction. Invited by the American Museum of Creole Cultures (AMCC), the first leg of the trip will be the Miami region (Florida) on the occasion of the All Americas Cultural Fest-2010. This will be followed by a journey through 18 towns in 10 states of the USA, and four American universities (Historically Black Colleges and Universities – HBCUs).

**Tamarc’h: North-South united gourmet walk**

The association *Tamadi - United journeys in a rural environment* and its partners will organise a North-South walk on Sunday 27th June. The walk is North-South (to experience different cultures), gourmet (for a nomadic-style meal over five stops), united (to meet our partners and Nantes organisations working alongside them), with the participation of:

**RAJAGOPAL P.V.**, Indian leader of the *Ekta Parishad* (Unity Forum) movement.

**Ousmane DIALLO**, from the AOPP in Mali.

On the programme: a walk through the heart of Nantes (leaving at 10.00 am and returning around 5.00 pm), six information centres, a meal during the tour, two stages in the morning, a break at lunchtime with time for discussion and an Indian-style picnic, two stages in the afternoon, with an overall distance of about eight kilometres.

Information and registration: www.tamadi.org - infos@tamadi.org – Tel. +33 (0)2 40 58 10 73

**Human Rights on the big screen**

Programme proposed by the Association des Rencontres du Cinéma Espagnol de Nantes (Encounters with Spanish Cinema Association, Nantes)

- *La pérdida / The loss*
  Argentina in the 1960s and 70s. Many intellectuals and scientists are forced into exile. Twelve of them, having made a success of their lives in their newly adopted countries, share their stories. One question remains: what would Argentina look like now if it hadn’t dispossessed this brilliant generation, lost forever more? Made in Spain action of the International Film Festival in San Sebastián, Spain.
  Sessions:
  - Tuesday 29th June at 8 pm followed by a discussion with **Enrique Gabriel**, co-director and **Javier de Lucas**, director of the Colegio de España and the High Commissioner for Refugees;
  - Thursday 1st June at 7 pm.

- *Princesas / Princesses*
  Drama by **Fernando León de Aranoa**, Spain – 1 h 57 mins.
  The story of two women, two prostitutes, two princesses. One revolts, the other is uprooted. The meet in a strained context where the women of the area take a dim view of the arrival of migrant prostitutes.
  Single session: Wednesday 30th June at 9 pm.
Programme proposed by the International Human Rights Film Festival.

For the first time in Nantes the [A]lliance Ciné (Cinema Alliance) organisation is hosting an International Human Rights Film Festival (FIFDH) between 26th June and 1st July 2010.

Documentary film-making plays a central role in raising awareness and mobilising public opinion. On the occasion of the 4th World Forum for Human Rights, the Nantes FIFDH wishes to create a link between the general public and the problems raised by human rights. More information can be found at www.festival-droitsdelhomme.org/nantes/

Le Kartorza, (Graslin district)

At the Cinéma Le Katorza, Screenings of films followed by debates with local NGOs acting on international issues including:

Saturday 26th June at 8 pm: Burma VJ, clandestine reporter in Burma, from Anders Ostergaard. Burma VJ tells of the uprising of September 2007 against the military junta in power in Burma. This documentary was filmed entirely by Burmese video-journalists who, in so doing, risked their lives. The screening will be followed by a debate with Info Birmanie (Burma Information).

Sunday 27th June at 6 pm: Sortir du Nkuta (Leaving Nkuta) by Céline Metzger. Through the stories of three homosexuals and Alice Nkom, a lawyer, the remnants of colonial influence on a communitarian tradition which is still present in Cameroon are exposed. More than a simple value judgement, this film seeks to better understand this apparently homophobic society. The screening will be followed by a debate.

Sunday 27th June at 8 pm: The Blood of Kouan Kouan by Yorgos Avgeropoulos. In the untouched forests of the Amazon, which houses the greatest biodiversity in the world, a clear crime against humanity is revealed. The Texaco company is accused of having dumped 70 billion litres of toxic waste in the Ecuadorian Amazon. The screening will be followed by a debate.

Monday 28th June at 6 pm: Physiologie de l’effort (The physiology of stress), by Amélie Labourdette and Benjamin Baudet. Originally from Daghestan, Nariman, Aïda and their children are asylum seekers. They are awaiting the decision as to whether they will be allowed to stay in France. Switching between hope and despair, they try to rebuild here what they lost over there, and force themselves to adapt to a new language, a different culture, and a different way of life.

Tuesday 29th June at 6 pm: The Coca Cola Affair by German Gutierrez and Carmen Garcia. Two American lawyers, Daniel Kovalick from the united Steel Workers of America and Terry Collingsworth from the International Rights Advocates, believe strongly that multinational American firms should be held responsible for the shady practices of some of their business partners around the world. The screening will be followed by a debate with Amnesty International.

Tuesday 29th June at 8 pm: China’s Public Enemy Number One, by Sylvia Nagel. An encounter with Rebiya Kadeer, a militant in exile who fights for the rights of the Uyghur minority in western Turkestan (Xinjiang), a Chinese territory since 1949. Uyghur is the language of the Turko-Altaic group, and people from this minority group are Muslims. This opens the door for them to be compared to potential terrorists and to thus counter any opposition movement. The screening will be followed by a debate with the director and Rebiya Kadeer.

Wednesday 30th June at 6 pm: The Forgotten Province by Olivier Dickinson. Between the Caribbean Sea and the Maya Mountains nestles the district of Toledo, known as the Forgotten Province of Belize, in Central America. For the past twenty years, the Mayas have promoted their ecotourism programme aiming to protect their tropical forest and their traditions ...

The screening will be followed by a debate with the director.

Wednesday 30th June at 8 pm: The Bagyeli Pygmies at the Fringes of the World by François-Philippe Gallois. Through the eyes of three endearing Pygmies, the film describes the mechanisms which inexorably exclude this small group of hunter-gatherers from the rest of the world. In partnership with the organisation SOS Enfants (SOS Children). The screening will be followed by a debate.

Thursday 1st July at 6 pm: Against Blood Justice, by Nathalie Rossetti and Tury Finocchiaro. In 1991 in Albania, Luce’s son is assassinated: she decides to forgive her son’s murderer by following the “Besa” specified in Lek Dukajin’s Kanun. Through Luce’s experiences, this film follows an historical, religious and social journey through contemporary Albania. The screening will be followed by a debate.

Thursday 1st July at 8 pm: The Lost Children of M’Bour, by Daniel Grandclément. Talibes are young children who are entrusted by their parents to marabouts to ensure their education. Over time, this
practice goes awry: thousands of children now spend most of their time begging. If they don’t bring back enough money, they are beaten.

The screening will be followed by a debate with Casa Africa Brésil.

**Place Sainte-Croix**  
(Bouffay district)  
Open air screenings: Rendez-vous on Tuesday 29th, Wednesday 30th and Thursday 1st at 10.30pm at the Place Sainte-Croix redesigned by Aquabassimo, for open-air film screenings.

**Le Live Bar**  
Monday 28th June at 9 pm: thematic evening of short films on human rights, organised by the Kino’Arts Association.

**Centres Accoord**  
Screenings in the Accoord de Breil-Malville and La Pilotière centres.

The Nantes FIFDH is organised with the help of its partners: the Pays de la Loire Region, the World Forum on Human Rights, Cinema le Katorza, Aquabassimo, ALS 44, Kino’Arts, France Bleu Loire Océan and Télénantes.

**ENTERTAINMENT**  
(Bouffay district)  
A week of entertainment *Rues et vers l’Homme*  
(Streets and Towards Humanity)

With the aim of creating encounters and exchanges, the Galerie Alain Rouzé, Rue de la Juiverie, is working in partnership with the Nantes FIFDH to offer a week of entertainment *Rues et vers l’Homme* on the theme of human rights in the Bouffay district (exhibitions and artistic performances, poetry evenings, citizens’ cafés...).
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