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# 13<sup>TH</sup> INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE OF NATIONAL HUMAN RIGHTS INSTITUTIONS

10 to 12 October 2018 / Marrakech, Morocco

المؤتمر الثالث عشر للمؤسسات الوطنية لحقوق الإنسان  
من 10 إلى 12 تشرين الأول/أكتوبر 2018، مراكش - المغرب

Expanding the civic space and promoting  
and protecting human rights defenders,  
with a specific focus on women:

## The role of national human rights institutions

Program



**08:30 – 9:00:** REGISTRATION

**09:00 – 10:00: OPENING CEREMONY**

**Master of Ceremonies: Houria Esslami, Member, National Human Rights Council of Morocco and Member, United Nations Working Group on Enforced or Involuntary Disappearances**

**09:05 – 09:10:** Driss El Yazami, President, National Human Rights Council of Morocco & Host of Conference

**09:10 – 09:15:** Beate Rudolf, Chairperson, GANHRI, and Director, German Institute for Human Rights

**09:15 – 09:20:** Peggy Hicks, Director of the Thematic Engagement, Special Procedures and Right to Development Division, OHCHR

**09:20 – 09:25:** Mustapha Ramid, Minister of State in charge of Human Rights, Morocco

**09:30 – 09:35:** Ahmed Akhchichine, President, Regional Council of Marakech-Safi

**09:35 – 09:40:** Aud Marit Wiig, Ambassador, Special Representative on Freedom of Religion or Belief, Norwegian Ministry of Foreign Affairs

**09:40 – 09:45:** Philippe Poinot, UN Resident Coordinator and UNDP Resident Representative in Morocco

Screening of GANHRI video “Leading Change” to mark the 25th anniversary of the establishment of the international network of national human rights institutions, today known as GANHRI

**10:00 – 11:00: SESSION 1**

### **CIVIC SPACE AND HUMAN RIGHTS DEFENDERS – setting the scene**

**Moderator: Hanane Harrath, writer and journalist**

#### **Speakers:**

- Anikó Bakonyi, Human Rights Defender, Hungarian Helsinki Committee
- Eva Grambye, International Director, Danish Institute for Human Rights
- Luis Raul Gonzalez Perez, President, National Human Rights Commission of Mexico
- Michel Forst, United Nations Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights defenders
- Nahla Haidar, Member, Committee on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination Against Women
- Sima Samar, Chairperson, Afghanistan Independent Human Rights Commission

**11:00 – 11:30: SIGNING CEREMONY OF THE AGREEMENT BETWEEN NORWAY AND THE TRIPARTITE PARTNERS UNDP, GANHRI AND OHCHR IN SUPPORT OF NHRIs**

COFFEE BREAK AND OFFICIAL PICTURE

**11:30 – 12:45: SESSION 2**

**CRUCIAL ELEMENTS OF AN ENABLING ENVIRONMENT**

**Moderator: Juan José Böckel, Under Secretary, Defensoría del Pueblo de la Nación Argentina**

**Speakers:**

- Rémy Ngoy Lumbu, Special Rapporteur on Human Rights Defenders, African Commission on Human and People's Rights
- Moonja Jeong, Standing Commissioner, National Human Rights Commission of Korea
- Tamar Gvaramadze, First Deputy Public Defender of Georgia
- Ali Bin Smaikh Al Marri, Chairman, National Human Rights Committee, Qatar

Interactive dialogue and discussion

**12:45 – 14:15: LUNCH**

**14:15 – 15:45: SESSION 3**

**MONITORING CIVIC SPACE, AND THREATS TO IT**

**Moderator: Peggy Hicks, Director of the Thematic Engagement, Special Procedures and Right to Development Division, OHCHR**

**Speakers:**

- Consuelo Contreras Largo, Director, National Institute for Human Rights of Chile
- Lora Vidovic, Ombudsperson, Croatia
- Abdallah Saaf, Director, Centre for Studies and Research on Social Sciences, Morocco
- Marc Cebreros, Human Rights Officer, Methodology Education and Training Section, OHCHR

Interactive dialogue and discussion

**15:45 – 16:15: COFFEE BREAK**

## 16:15 – 17:30: SESSION 4

### WORKING GROUPS

Working Group 1 - Crucial elements of an enabling environment (English) Room: Ghadames

- Facilitator – Sofia Lemmetyinen, Programme Manager, European Commission, EuropeAid / Directorate General for International Cooperation and Development (DEVCO)
- Discussant - Sandrayati Moniaga, Vice Chairperson, National Human Rights Commission of Indonesia (Komnas Ham)
- Rapporteur - Sirpa Rautio, Director, Finnish Human Rights Centre

Working Group 2 - Monitoring civic space, and threats to it (English) Room: Chahat

- Facilitator – Lora Vidovic, Ombudsperson, Croatia
- Discussant - Arlene Alangco, Regional Director, Commission on Human Rights of the Philippines
- Rapporteur – Iulai Blackelock-Toma, Ombudsman, Samoa

Working Group 3 - Crucial elements of an enabling environment (interpretation) Room: Atlas 1

- Facilitator – Padma Raman, Executive Director, Australian Human Rights Commission
- Discussant - Abdoulaye Mar, Coordinator, Senegalese Human Rights Committee
- Rapporteur – Consuelo Olvera Trevino, Executive Secretary, National Commission on Human Rights of Mexico

Working Group 4 - Monitoring civic space, and threats to it (interpretation) Room: Atlas 2

- Facilitator – Magali Lafourcade, Secretary General, National Consultative Commission on Human Rights of France
- Discussant – Mwamus Mwamba Mushikonke, President, National Human Rights Commission, Democratic Republic of Congo
- Rapporteur – Souad Martin-Saoudi, National Human Rights Council of Morocco

## 17:30 – 18:00: SESSION 5

### REPORT BACK FROM WORKING GROUPS

**Moderator:** Florence Simbiri-Jaoko, GANHRI Special Envoy

**Speakers:**

- Rapporteur Working Group 1: Sirpa Rautio, Director, Finnish Human Rights Centre
- Rapporteur Working Group 3: Consuelo Olvera Trevino, Executive Secretary, National Commission on Human Rights of Mexico
- Rapporteur Working Group 2: Iulai Blackelock-Toma, Ombudsman, Samoa
- Rapporteur Working Group 4: Souad Martin-Saoudi, National Human Rights Council of Morocco

Interactive dialogue and discussion

**19:00: WELCOME RECEPTION** kindly hosted by the House of Representatives of the Kingdom of Morocco

Hotel Swimming Pool

**THURSDAY 11 OCTOBER 2018 - Room: Atlas**

## 09:00 – 10:30: SESSION 6

### PROTECTING HUMAN RIGHTS DEFENDERS

**Moderator:** Paula Tesoriero, Acting Chief Commissioner, New Zealand Human Rights Commission

**Speakers:**

- Carlos Alfonso Negret Mosquera, Defensor, Defensoria del Pueblo de Colombia
- Mohna Ansari, Commissioner, National Human Rights Commission of Nepal
- Cholpon Djakupova, Human Rights Defender
- Adélaïde Etong-Kame, Africa advocacy consultant, International Service for Human Rights

Interactive dialogue and discussion

**10:30 – 11:00: COFFEE BREAK**

## **11:00 – 12:30: SESSION 7**

### **PROTECTING HUMAN RIGHTS DEFENDERS CONTINUED: WOMEN HUMAN RIGHTS DEFENDERS AT RISK**

**Moderator: Habib Belkouch, Member, National Human Rights Council of Morocco**

#### **Speakers:**

- Sima Samar, Chairperson, Afghanistan Independent Human Rights Commission
- Nahla Haidar, Member, Committee on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination Against Women
- Ivana Radacic, Chairperson, United Nations Working Group on the Issue of Discrimination Against Women in Law and in Practice
- Vivek Rai, Deputy, Civil Society Division, UN Women

Interactive dialogue and discussion

**12:30 – 14:00: LUNCH**

## **14:00 – 15:30: SESSION 8**

### **COMMUNICATING ON HUMAN RIGHTS AND PROMOTING POSITIVE NARRATIVES**

**Moderator: Elasto Hilarious Mugwadi, National Human Rights Commission of Zimbabwe**

#### **Speakers:**

- Peggy Hicks, Director, Thematic Engagement, Special Procedures and Right to Development Division, OHCHR
- Judith Robertson, Chair, Scottish Human Rights Commission
- Madeleine Nirere, Chairperson, National Commission on Human Rights of Rwanda
- Marc van Gool, Human Rights Adviser, OSCE Office for Democratic Institutions and Human Rights (ODIHR)

Interactive dialogue and discussions

**15:30 – 16:00: COFFEE BREAK**

## 16:00 – 17:30: SESSION 9

### WORKING GROUPS

Working Group 1- Protecting human rights defenders (English) Room: Ghadames

- Facilitator – Joseph Whittal, Commissioner Chair, Commission on Human Rights and Administrative Justice, Ghana
- Discussant- Kazi Reazul Hoque, Chairperson, National Human Rights Commission of Bangladesh
- Rapporteur – Adriana van Dooijeweert, President, Netherlands Institute for Human Rights

Working Group 2 - Communicating on human rights (English) Room: Chahat

- Facilitator – Hayley Willingdale, Senior Associate, Equality and Human Rights Commission, UK
- Discussant - Moataz El Fegiery, MENA Protection Coordinator, Frontline Defenders
- Rapporteur – Mousa Burayzat, Commissioner General, Jordan National Center on Human Rights

Working Group 3 - Protecting human rights defenders (interpretation) Room: Atlas 1

- Facilitator – Cynthia Veliko, Regional Representative, OHCHR Regional Office for South East Asia
- Discussant - Namizata Sangaré, Chairperson, National Commission on Human Rights Ivory Coast
- Rapporteur – Raquel Caballero de Guevara, Procuradora, Procuraduria para la Defensa de los Derechos Humanos, El Salvador

Working Group 4 - Communicating on human rights (interpretation) Room: Atlas 2

- Facilitator – Marie Claude Landry, Chief Commissioner, Canadian Human Rights Commission
- Discussant – Rosalind Croucher, President, Australian Human Rights Commission
- Rapporteur – Amadou Alchina Kourgueni, Secretary General, National Commission on Human Rights of Niger

**17:30 – 18:00: SESSION 10**

### **REPORT BACK FROM WORKING GROUPS**

**Moderator: Alan Miller, GANHRI Special Envoy**

**Speakers:**

- Rapporteur Working Group 1: Adriana van Dooijeweert, President, Netherlands Institute for Human Rights
- Rapporteur Working Group 3: Raquel Caballero de Guevara, Procuradora, Procuraduria para la Defensa de los Derechos Humanos, El Salvador
- Rapporteur Working Group 2: Mousa Burayzat, Commissioner General, Jordan National Center on Human Rights
- Rapporteur Working Group 4: Amadou Alchina Kourgueni, Secretary General, National Commission on Human Rights of Niger

Interactive dialogue and discussion

**DINNER RECEPTION** - kindly hosted by the House of Councillors of the Kingdom of Morocco in Mohammed VI Museum for Water Civilisation In Morocco

Shuttle will leave at 18:45 from the hotel

**FRIDAY 12 OCTOBER 2018 - Room: Atlas**

**10:00 – 11:30: SESSION 11**

### **PROTECTING HUMAN RIGHTS DEFENDERS: NHRIs**

**Moderator: Bongani Majola, Chairperson, South African Human Rights Commission**

Screening of GANHRI video “Principles for Progress” to mark the 25th anniversary of the adoption of the Paris Principles by the UN

**Speakers:**

- Michel Forst, UN Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights defenders
- Jordan Rodas, Procurador, Procuraduria por la Defensa de los Derechos Humanos de Guatemala
- Chito Gascon, Chairperson, Commission on Human Rights of the Philippines - by video statement
- Beate Rudolf, Chairperson, Global Alliance of National Human Rights Institutions

Interactive dialogue and discussions



**11:30 – 12:00:** COFFEE BREAK

**12:00 – 13:00: SESSION 12**

### **PARTICIPATION, PARTNERSHIPS AND COOPERATION**

**Moderator: Mabassa Fall, Permanent Representative of the International Federation for Human Rights to the African Union**

**Speakers:**

- Hannah Forster, Executive Director, African Centre for Democracy and Human Rights Studies
- Rabéa Naciri, Member, National Human Rights Council, Morocco
- Sarah Rattray, Policy Specialist for Human Rights, Rule of Law, Justice, Security and Human Rights Governance & Peacebuilding Cluster, UNDP

Interactive dialogue and discussions

**13:00 – 14:00:** LUNCH

**14:00 – 15:00: DEVELOPMENT AND ADOPTION OF THE MARRAKECH DECLARATION AND PROGRAM OF ACTION**

**Chair: Houria Esslami, Member, National Human Rights Council of Morocco and Member, United Nations Working Group on Enforced or Involuntary Disappearances**

- Presentation of draft Marrakech Declaration (GANHRI)
- Presentation of Program of Action (Regional Chairs)
- Adoption

**15:00 – 15:30: CONFERENCE CLOSING CEREMONY**

**Chair: Najat Maalla M'jid, former United Nations Special Rapporteur on the sale of children, child prostitution and child pornography**

Closing Remarks

- UNDP Representative
- Vladlen Stefanov, Chief, National Institutions and Regional Mechanisms Section, OHCHR
- Beate Rudolf, Chairperson, Global Alliance of National Human Rights Institutions
- Mohammed Essabar, Secretary-General, National Human Rights Council of Morocco