27 FEBRUARY 2019

3 P.M. TO 5 P.M. - EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT HEMICYCLE
PLENARY SESSION  BUSINESS AND THE DEATH PENALTY

Can business become a new ally in the abolitionist movement? To encourage this collaboration, representatives from the private sector will present the various ways in which they commit to combating capital punishment. This plenary session will also be an opportunity to consider putting abolition on the agenda of the business and human rights movement.

MODERATOR  Maya Foa, Director, Reprieve - United Kingdom
OPENING REMARKS  Antonio Panzeri, Chair of the European Parliament Subcommittee on Human Rights - Italy
SPEAKERS  Carleen Pickard, Ethical Campaigns Specialist, LUSH Cosmetics - Canada
           Nadia Benhida, Executive Director, Zino Mar - Morocco
           Emmanuel Oudar, CEO, Tout terrain, ECPM Board member - France
           Sune Skadegård Thorsen, CEO, Global CSR, expert in Corporate Social Responsibility - Denmark
           Githu Muigai, Member of the UN Working Group on Business and Human Rights

VIDEO MESSAGES  Cecilia Malmström, European Commissioner for Trade, European Union
                 Richard Branson, Entrepreneur, Founder of Virgin Group - United Kingdom

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9:30 A.M. TO 11 A.M. - EGMONT PALACE, EUROPE ROOM
PLENARY SESSION  ABOLITION STRATEGIES: CHALLENGES AND OPPORTUNITIES IN SUB-SAHARAN AFRICA

A number of countries in Sub-Saharan Africa have abolished the death penalty over the last few years. What challenges must be overcome and what strategies need to be put in place to make Sub-Saharan Africa completely abolitionist?

MODERATOR  Doreen N Kyazze, Director, Sub-Saharan Office - Penal Reform International - Uganda
SPEAKERS  Cheick Sako, Minister of Justice - Guinea
           Urbain Yamengo, CIFDHA Executive Director - Burkina Faso
           Maryann Njau-Kimani, Chair of the Taskforce on the review of the mandatory nature of the death penalty - Kenya
           Mohamed Ali Mossaad, Director of the African Centre for Justice & Peace - Sudan
           Raphaël Nyabirungu Mwene Songa, Professor and Lawyer - DRC

11:30 A.M. TO 1:30 P.M. - EGMONT PALACE, EUROPE ROOM
ROUNDTABLE  FOREIGNERS SENTENCED TO DEATH IN THE FIGHT AGAINST TERRORISM

There is little information about foreigners sentenced to death on terrorism charges. In this context, how to engage countries on the situation of their nationals facing a death sentence or execution overseas?

MODERATOR  Raphaël Chenuil-Hazan, Executive Director, ECPM - France
SPEAKERS  Fionnuala Ní Aoláin, UN Special Rapporteur on the promotion and protection of human rights and fundamental freedoms while countering terrorism
           James Connell, Learned Counsel, Military Commissions Defense Organization - USA
           Hédi Yahmed, Journalist - Tunisia
           Martin Pradel, Lawyer - France
11:30 A.M. TO 1:30 P.M. - EGMONT PALACE, ARENBERG ROOM

WORKSHOP
DEATH ROW PRISONERS AND THEIR FAMILIES: ASSISTANCE AND SUPPORT
Individuals who have been acquitted and family members of people who have been executed or sentenced to death will share their needs and their projects. This will be followed by a discussion about the kinds of concrete support the abolitionist movement could provide.

MODERATOR
Sibel Agrali, Director Primo Levi care center - France

SPEAKERS
Suzana Norlihan Alias, Advocate and Solicitor - Malaysia
Sohail Emmanuel, Investigator, Justice Project Pakistan - Pakistan
Ensaf Haidar, President and Co-founder, Raif Badawi foundation for freedom - Canada
Herman Lindsey, Board member, Witness to Innocence - USA

11:30 A.M. TO 1:30 P.M. - EGMONT PALACE, “BLUE” ROOM

TRAINING
COMMITTED JOURNALISTS, KEY PLAYERS IN ABOLITION
The media coverage of efforts to move towards the abolition of the death penalty, but also of the particular stories of each person sentenced to death, have a strategic influence. This training will allow them to familiarise themselves with the main concepts of abolition but also to address very concrete issues specific to journalists.

3 P.M. TO 5 P.M. - EGMONT PALACE, EUROPE ROOM

ROUNDTABLE
HOW TO PREVENT THE RESURGENCE OF THE DEATH PENALTY?
What drives countries to reintroduce the death penalty or resume sentences or executions? Panellists will identify potential actions which could prevent such a resurgence.

MODERATOR
Nicolas Perron, Director of programmes, ECPM - France

SPEAKERS
Yuval Shany, Chair of the United Nations Human Rights Committee
Sandra Daigo, Lawyer and member of the Cameroonian Network of Lawyers Against the Death Penalty - Cameroon
Karen Gomez-Dumpit, Commissioner, Philippines Human Rights Commission - Philippines
Fatimata M’Baye, President, Mauritanian Association of Human Rights - Mauritania

3 P.M. TO 5 P.M. - EGMONT PALACE, ARENBERG ROOM

WORKSHOP
ABOLITION GENERATION: YOUNG PEOPLE JOIN THE MOVEMENT!
This workshop aims to give the floor to young people, encouraging them to take a stand against the death penalty and define how they would contribute to the abolitionist movement.

MODERATOR
Tanya Ghorra, Coordinator, Education on abolition, Lebanese association for civil rights - Lebanon

SPEAKERS
Appolinaire Levodo, Jurist and Vice-President of Justice Impartial, Head of Education for Abolition - Cameroon
Joseph Jovin, Winner of the competition “Draw me abolition” - Tanzania
Hajer Ben Naceur, Member of the Tunisian Organisation Against Torture - Tunisia
Aymane Aouidi, Steering Committee member, Moroccan Coalition against the death penalty - Morocco

3 P.M. TO 5 P.M. - EGMONT PALACE, ORANGE ROOM

TRAINING
KEYS FOR PREPARING A FUNDING PROPOSAL
Through exercises, participants will learn to identify donors and obtain keys to prepare funding applications.

MODERATOR
Lilian Moreira, Political and Fundraising Officer, ECPM - France

SPEAKERS
Sara Guillet, Independent Consultant - France
Başak Koyuncu, EU Funds Advisor - Turkey
Maria Orejas, Policy and Programmes Director, European Foundation Centre - Belgium

1 MARCH 2019

9 A.M. TO 11 A.M. - EGMONT PALACE, EUROPE ROOM

ROUNDTABLE
THE DISCRIMINATORY APPLICATION OF THE DEATH PENALTY TOWARDS WOMEN
This roundtable will attempt to raise awareness on the discriminatory nature of the death penalty in the case of women and to propose concrete ways to integrate this issue into the advocacy of abolitionists.
WORLD CONGRESS AGAINST THE DEATH PENALTY
26 FEBRUARY - 1 MARCH 2019 - BRUSSELS - BELGIUM

MODERATOR
Aurélie Plaçais, Director, World Coalition against the Death Penalty - France
Delphine Lourtau, Executive Director, Cornell Center on the Death Penalty Worldwide - USA
Susan Kigula, witness - Uganda
Danthong Breen, Senior Advisor, Union for Civil Liberty - Thailand
Angela Uwandu, Head of Office, Avocats Sans Frontières France - Nigeria
Agnès Callamard, UN Special Rapporteur on extrajudicial, summary or arbitrary executions

9 A.M. TO 11 A.M. - EGMONT PALACE, ARENBERG ROOM
WORKSHOP
NEW TECHNOLOGIES AND THE DEATH PENALTY
This session will provide an overview of the possibilities offered by new technologies, whether to convey a message or support the work of anti-death penalty organisations.

MODERATOR
Berhan Taye, Campaign coordinator, Access Now - USA
Tom Waldron, Senior Vice President, The Hatcher Group - USA
Sarah Belal, Director, Justice Project Pakistan - Pakistan
Lesedi Bewlay, Light Touch Support Coordinator, The Engine Room - Botswana
Ludo van Staartstokken, System administrator, Tails - Netherlands

9 A.M. TO 11 A.M. - EGMONT PALACE, ORANGE ROOM
TRAINING
UN ADVOCACY:
USING THE UPR AND TREATY BODIES TO ADVOCATE FOR ABOLITION
How do the UN Universal Periodic Review (UPR) and Treaty Bodies operate? How can they be used effectively to advocate for abolition?

MODERATOR
Paul d’Auchamp, Deputy Regional Representative for Europe, Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights

SPEAKERS
Anna-Karin Holmlund, Senior UN advocate, Amnesty International - United Kingdom
Mona M’Bikay, Executive Director, UPR-Info - Switzerland
Glenn Payot, UN advocacy Expert - Independent Consultant - France

11:30 A.M. TO 1:30 P.M. - EGMONT PALACE, EUROPE ROOM
ROUNDTABLE
REDUCING THE SCOPE OF THE DEATH PENALTY
The death penalty continues to be applied for all kinds of offences despite a clear international legal framework. This session will explore strategic ways to reduce the scope of the death penalty in search of its total abolition.

MODERATOR
Aminata Niakate, Lawyer and ECPM Board member - France
Shreya Rastogi, Founding member of Project 39A, National Law University Delhi - India
Naomi Lynton, Lawyer - Barbados
Mahmood Amiry-Moghaddam, Director of Iran Human Rights - Norway
Andrew Khoo, Lawyer - Malaysia
Mohammad Musa Mahmodi, Executive Director of the Independent Human Rights Commission - Afghanistan

11:30 A.M. TO 1:30 P.M. - EGMONT PALACE, ARENBERG ROOM
WORKSHOP
NEW STRATEGIES FOR ABOLITION
This interactive workshop will propose new strategies, taking into account the new trends and risks affecting the abolitionist movement.

MODERATOR
Emily Hutchinson, Programme Manager, New Tactics for Human Rights - USA

SPEAKERS
Chiara Sangiorgio, Thematic Adviser, Amnesty International - United Kingdom
Hsin-Yi Lin, Director, Taiwan Alliance to End the Death Penalty - Taiwan

11:30 A.M. TO 1:30 P.M. - EGMONT PALACE, ORANGE ROOM
TRAINING
ADVOCATING FOR ABOLITION WITH COMMUNITY AND RELIGIOUS LEADERS
What arguments should be used to mobilise community and religious leaders in support of abolition? How should this dialogue be used when advocating for abolition?

MODERATOR
Guillaume Colin, Executive Director, FIACAT - France

SPEAKERS
Cheikh Barham Aboubacar, Chair of the Committee on intra and interfaith dialogue - Niger
Clifford Msiska, Director, Paralegal Advisory Service - Malawi
Salomon Ndjitoloum, Chair, ACAT Chad - Chad