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Save the date: Global State of Human Rights - High level conference



Venice, 2 July 2021

On **16 July 2021**, the **European Parliament** and the **Global Campus of Human Rights**, organise the **first Global State of Human Rights conference in Venice-Lido (Italy)**, to discuss the **state of Human Rights in the world**.

The hybrid event will take place from **10.00 AM until 17.30 PM (CEST)** at the **Monastery of San Nicolò** and will gather MEPs, EU Commissioners, Nobel Peace Prize Recipients, Sakharov Prize Laureates, International organisations' high representatives, academia and stakeholders. It will be webstreamed.

Participants include the President of the European Parliament, **David Sassoli**, the President of Global Campus of Human Rights, **Veronica Gomez**, regional and local authorities, the EU Commissioners **Didier Reynders** and **Jutta Urpilainen**, the Secretary General of the European External Action Service, **Stefano Sannino**, United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights, **Michelle Bachelet**, US Congressman and Chair of the House Foreign Affairs Committee, **Gregory Meeks**, the EU Special Representative for Human Rights, **Eamon Gilmore**, the Secretary General of Amnesty International, **Agnès Callamard** and **Denis Mukwege**, Nobel Peace Prize Recipient 2018 and Sakharov Prize Laureate 2014.

In **three panels**, speakers will explore:

- How to use the newly approved EU law on **due diligence** to make business responsive to **human rights**;
- How **international justice** can help ensure **accountability**;
- What challenges a **values-based foreign policy** faces when responding to human rights and democracy issues around the world.

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SIDE EVENT

White Torture - underground poetry - a performance by **Lorent Saleh**.

From 18.00 PM to 19.00 PM (CEST), Monastery of San Nicolò, Riviera S. Nicolò 26, Venice-Lido.

Venezuelan activist and Sakharov Prize laureate 2017, Lorent spent more than two years in 'La Tumba', the Venezuelan secret service prison, five floors underground in Caracas. In his white cell, exposed to a white light 24/7, in a shiny loneliness and a complete silence, he would lose awareness of time and space.

Through videos, pictures, sounds and poetry that he wrote during his confinement, he lets us experience the suffering of political prisoners all around the world.

FURTHER DETAILS

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