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Venice Human Rights Festival 2018



Every day, thousands of people fight around the world for human rights. They are activists, public servants, community leaders, and artists. Human rights defenders have a thousand different faces and it is within everyone's reach to join the fight. Every year, the students of the European Master's Programme in Human Rights and Democratisation ([EMA, Global Campus Europe](#)) organize a **Human Rights Festival**.

This year, **Human Rights Defenders** are the focal point of the event.

We are celebrating a double anniversary. In 2018, it is the **20th anniversary of the UN Declaration on Human Rights Defenders** and the **70th anniversary of the Universal Declaration on Human Rights**.

8 December 2018

Location:

Palazzo Michiel (European Cultural Centre)

Strada Nuova - 4391 Campo Santi Apostoli, 30121 Venezia, Italy

Event Schedule

[Facebook event](#)

11:00 - 11:30

Introduction: Words of Welcome

11:30 - 13:00

"The long fight for LGBT rights and its impact in the evolution of HR in Spain"

Joaquín Pérez-Arroyo (Treasurer, Member of the Board of COGAM, Association of LGBT+ people of Madrid)

14:30 - 16:00

"Nuclear Disarmament and Human Rights"

Nadja Schmidt (Director for the International Campaign to Abolish Nuclear Weapons Austria)

16:30 - 18:15

Film: Remember Baghdad about the Iraqi Jewish Community, introduced by Edwin Shuker & Panel

Discussion:

"Situation of Iraqi Minorities and ISIS Crimes"

Moderation: Mirza Dinnayi

Speakers:

1. Lamyia Haji Bashar, Sakharov Prize Laureate 2016;
2. Edwin Shuker, Am Iraqi Jewish Leader, Board Member of British Jewish Community;
3. GianMatteo Apuzzo, Coordinator of the project "Let's Give Yazidis a Future," University of Trieste and Friuli Venezia Giulia Region;
4. Barakat Isa, a Yazidi Journalist;

18:30: Workshop (Ita - Eng) by [Amnesty International- Gruppo Giovani Venezia](#)

20:00: Cocktail by [Orient Experience](#) [Orient Experience II](#)

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