



HUMAN RIGHTS WEEK

– Programme –

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— 70th ANNIVERSARY —

UNIVERSAL DECLARATION OF HUMAN RIGHTS





"All human beings are born free and equal in dignity and rights"

(Article 1 of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights)

Dear Members and Participants,

On 10 December, 1948, at 3 a.m., the United Nations General Assembly, meeting in Paris at the Palais de Chaillot, adopted the Universal Declaration of Human Rights (UDHR), which stands to this day as the most widely recognised statement of the rights to which all peoples and all nations on our planet are entitled. The Universal Declaration was not a binding treaty, but a "standard of achievement". Over the past decades, this commitment has been translated into treaties, customary international law, regional agreements and domestic law, through which political and civil rights, as well as economic, social and cultural rights

are guaranteed without discrimination of any kind. Today, the promotion and protection of human rights is at the heart of multilateralism, a central pillar of the UN system, and a core founding value of the EU.

The world today looks different from when it did in 1948. We face even more sophisticated means to deny and violate rights and freedoms. The internet that proved to be a vehicle for freedom of expression and opinion is being increasingly challenged, and turned into a tool of repression and censorship, including an intrusion of privacy. Our world faces humanitarian crises, conflicts and climate disasters, which lead to large-scale movement of population, human trafficking and exploitation of vulnerable people such as women and children. Today, the ability to protect human rights and hold perpetrators accountable is under threat due to growing pressure exerted by an increasing number of countries against the rule of law and international justice. Although a few decades have passed since the adoption of the UDHR, we continue striving to protect and promote the universality of human rights.

During this week, we will be bringing together human rights related stakeholders and partners from all over the world, including international and regional organisations, civil society organisations, human rights defenders and artists, as well as Members of the European Parliament and Members of the 28 EU National Parliaments so as to celebrate how far we have come on human rights, and to assess how much further we need to go.

In close cooperation with the European Commission and the European External Action Service (EEAS), hundreds of local civil society representatives and human rights defenders will actively participate in the Human Rights Week, sharing field experiences and best practises, and enriching the discussions in our committees and delegation meetings. Throughout the week, there will be multiple opportunities and venues for all participants to meet and engage with each other, through re-discovering the 30 Articles of the UDHR brought to life by Elyx, meeting with exhibitors, taking part in the concert and debate on culture, all as a vehicle for the promotion of human rights.

Celebrating this anniversary will also be a great source of inspiration to us all, contributing to strengthening our common resolve to advance human rights and to renew our commitment and attachment to rights and freedoms for all.

I encourage each one of you here today, whether you are a Member of Parliament, a human rights defender or a representative of international or regional organisations, to build on the wisdom of the UDHR drafting committee and to join forces in favour of a better, more just, fair, and safe world, it is up to us to continue to fight to live up to the Declaration.

And now please enjoy the programme!

Antonio Tajani

Programme HUMAN RIGHTS WEEK AT A GLANCE

Monday 19	Tuesday 20	Wednesday 21	Thursday 22
Committee on Development (DEVE) 15:35-16:30 PHS 4B001 Investing in Food Security for a Future Free of Hunger with the Executive Director of the World Food Programme	Subcommittee on Human Rights (DROI) 16:30-17:45 JAN 6Q2 Exchange of views on sports and human rights in the context of large sporting events	Committee on Civil Liberties, Justice, and Home Affairs (LIBE) 8:30-12:30 JAN 2 Q2 Exchange of views with the Director of the Fundamental Rights Agency at the occasion of the 70th anniversary of the UDHR	Subcommittee on Human Rights (DROI) 9:00-12:30 JAN 6Q2 Inter-parliamentary Committee Meeting "Human rights and the external actions of the EU and Member States"
Committee on Legal Affairs (JURI) 15:30-17:30 ASP 3E2 Hearing on Cross-border family disputes: safeguarding children's rights	Committee on International Trade (INTA) 12:30-13:00 Protocol Salon III (PHS 2/F) 16:00-18:30 check screens "Trade-for-All: What are the benefits for our people?"	Delegation for relations with the People's Republic of China (P-CN) 12:30-13:00 Protocol Room III, PHS Meeting with artist and activist Ai WEIWEI – by invitation	Delegation for relations with the Andean Community (DAND) 8:30-10:00 JAN 4Q1 Working Breakfast with Joel Hernandez Garcia – Commissioner of (IACHR) – by invitation
Committee on Employment and Social Affairs (EMPL) 16:00-17:00 PHS 1 A 002 Combating child poverty: an issue of fundamental rights	Committee on Environment, Public Health and Safety (ENVI) 17:00-18:00 JAN 4Q2 Exchange of views on the Right to Health with WHO Director-General	Committee on Petitions (PETI) 15:30-17:00 ASP A1G-3 Exchange of views on the criminalisation of humanitarian assistance at sea and the reception and living conditions of refugees and migrants in the Greek islands	Committee on Agricultural and Rural Development (AGRI) 14:15-17:00 ASP 1E2 Individual freedoms and gender equality in Morocco and Tunisia - a look at current social debates
The Centre for Fine Arts (BOZAR) and the European Parliament present: 18:30-20:00 Can artists help address threats to these freedoms or solve social challenges?	High level conference 14:30-18:30 Hemicycle on the 70th Anniversary of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights	Delegation to the EURONEST parliamentary Assembly 8:00-9:30 ASP ground floor Working conditions of human rights defenders in the Eastern Partnership countries – by invitation	Delegation to the ACPEU Joint Parliamentary Assembly (DACP) 16:00-17:00 Check Screens The situation of human rights in the RDC in the context of presidential pre-election
Yehudi MENUHIN PHS Ground Floor Debate and concert: Culture as a vehicle for the promotion of human rights with musicians and human rights activists			

DAY 1/AGENDA MONDAY 19 NOVEMBER

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Guests: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • David MULDROW BEASLEY, Executive Director of the World Food Programme 	Guests: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Federico ADDIECHI, Head of Sustainability & Diversity at FIFA, Switzerland • Minky WORDEN, Director of Global Initiatives, Human Rights Watch • and many more guest speakers 	Guests: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Astrid PODSIADLOWSKI, Head of Sector for Rights of the Child, European Union Agency for Fundamental Rights (FRA) • Anne-Marie HUTCHINSON OBE QC (HON), Barrister and recognised expert in Hague and Non-Hague child abduction cases • and many more guest speakers 	Guests: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bernd LANGER, Chair of the Committee on International Trade • Cecilia MALMSTRÖM, European Commissioner for Trade • Dr Evita SCHMIEG, Stiftung Wissenschaft und Politik • and many more guest speakers
<p align="center">The Centre for Fine Arts (BOZAR) and the European Parliament present:</p> <p align="center">18:30-20:00 BOZAR, Studio, rue Ravenstein 23</p> <p align="center">Inalienable rights: The Universal Declaration of Human Rights at 70</p>			

DAY 2/AGENDA TUESDAY 20 NOVEMBER

JAN 6Q2

9:00-12:30

9:00-9:10

Welcome and opening remarks by Pier Antonio PANZERI, Chair of the Subcommittee on Human Rights

09:10 - 10:10

Panel 1 | Mainstreaming Human Rights into external actions

Stavros LAMBRINIDIS

European Union Special Representative for Human Rights

Petras AUŠTREVICIUS

European Parliament Rapporteur for Annual Report on Human Rights

A representative of EU-NGO forum invited to comment, Debate with MEPs and Members of National Parliaments

10:10 - 11:45

Panel 2 | Business and Human Rights

Makbule SAHAN

Director of the Legal Department, International Trade Union Confederation (ITUC)
Topic:

Business contribution to human rights
Labour rights and global value chains

Juan Andrés Cano,

Director of Business Development
Topic:

Business contribution to

human rights
Topic:
Labour rights and global value chains

Dominique Potier

Member of the Committee on Economic Affairs of the National Assembly, Assemblée nationale, France
Topic:

Business contribution to human rights
Topic:
Labour rights and global value chains

Ms Isabel Albornoz

Chargé d'affaires Mission of Ecuador to the EU
Topic:

The outcome of the 4th session of the UN Open-ended Intergovernmental Working Group for a legally binding instrument on business and human rights

A representative of EU-NGO forum invited to comment, Debate with MEPs and Members of National Parliaments

11:45 - 12:20

Panel 3 | Sustainable development and Human Rights

Ai WEIWEI

Activist and Artist

Key note speech – Sustainable development and Human Rights
A representative of EU-NGO forum invited to comment, Debate with MEPs and Members of National Parliaments

12:20 - 12:30

Concluding remarks

Pier Antonio PANZERI, Chair of the Subcommittee on Human Rights of the European Parliament

13:30	Registration opens		
14:45 - 14:55	Jeunesse Musicales performs with the cooperation of BOZAR		
15:00 - 15:30	Opening Remarks		
	Antonio TAJANI President of the European Parliament	Federica MOGHERINI Vice President of the European Commission and High Representative for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy	António GUTTERRES Secretary-General of the United Nations (video message)
15:30 - 17:00	Panel 1 Universality and indivisibility of Human Rights in today's global and digital world		
	Chair: Pier Antonio PANZERI , Chair of the Subcommittee on Human Rights	Stavros LAMBRINIDIS EU Special Representative on Human Rights	Emily O'REILLY European Ombudsman
	Michelle BACHELET United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights	Fatou BENSOUDA Prosecutor, International Criminal Court	Patrick GASPARD President of the Open Societies Foundation
	Q&A session with the active participation of UNICEF and EU-NGOs Forum	Closing remarks: Claude MORAES , Chair of the Committee on Civil Liberties, Justice and Home Affairs	
17:00 - 17:25	Screening of Human Rights Defenders Stories Hear the journeys of Human Rights activists from around the world who defend human rights everyday		
	Chair: David McAllister , Chair of the Committee on Foreign Affairs	Beate RUDOLF Chair of the Global Alliance of National Human Rights Institutions (GANHRI) and Member of the Board of the European Network of National Human Rights Institutions (ENNHR)	Pamela PALMATER Lawyer and Professor at Ryerson University
17:30 - 19:00	Panel 2 Synergies in strengthening the global Human Rights architectures and mechanisms		
	Thorbjørn JAGLAND Secretary General of the Council of Europe (video message)	Rémy NGOY LUMBU Commissioner of the African Commission on Human and People's Rights	Katarzyna GARDAPKHAZDE First Deputy Director of OSCE Office for Democratic Institutions and Human Rights
	Chair: Joel HERNANDEZ GARCIA Commissioner of the Inter-American Commission on Human Rights and Member of the Inter-American Juridical Committee		
	Q&A session with the active participation of UNICEF and the EU-NGOs Forum	Closing remarks by a special Guest	
19:00	" Che il Mediterraneo sia- Let the Mediterranean Be ", Debate and concert: Culture as a vehicle for the promotion of human rights with Eugenio Bennato musician and human rights activist accompanied by Mohammed Ezzaime El Alaoui, Stefano Simonetta and Sonia Totaro Hosted by Pier Antonio PANZERI and MAJALAT	Yehudi Menuhin PHS ground floor	

Hemicycle

14:30-18:30

THE 70TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE UNIVERSAL DECLARATION OF HUMAN RIGHTS - HIGH LEVEL CONFERENCE

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Committee on Civil Liberties, Justice, and Home Affairs (LIBE)	Delegation for relations with the Peoples Republic of China (D-CN)	Delegation for relations with the Peoples Republic of China (D-CN)	Committee on Employment and Social Affairs (EMPL)	Committee on Environment, Public Health and Safety (ENVI)
8:30-12:30 JAN 2 Q2	12:30-13:00 Protocol Salon III (PHS 2/F)	16:00-17:00 PHS 1 A 002	16:00-17:00 PHS 1 A 002	17:00-18:00 JAN 4Q2
Exchange of views on the occasion of the 70th anniversary of the UDHR Guests: • Michael O'FLAHERTY, Director of the Fundamental Rights Agency (FRA)	Meeting with artist and activist Ai Weiwei By invitation	Combating child poverty : an issue of fundamental rights Guests: • Grigorios TSIOUKAS, EU Fundamental Rights Agency (FRA)	Exchange on the Right to Health Guests: • Tedros ADHANOM GHEBREYESUS, Director-General of the World Health Organization (WHO)	Exchange on the Right to Health Guests: • Pierre-Yves ROSSET, Attaché auprès du Délégué général aux droits de l'enfant à Bruxelles • Lina VOSYLIUTE, Researcher in Rights and Security Program (CEPS) and Jennifer ALLSOPP, Postdoctoral Research Fellow with the Migration Leadership Team

DAY 3/AGENDA WEDNESDAY 21 NOVEMBER

Delegation for relations with the countries of the Andean Community (DAND)	Committee on Agricultural and Rural Development (AGR)	Committee on Women's Rights and Gender Equality (FEMM)	Committee on Petitions (PETI)
8:30-10:00 Protocol Room III, PHS	16:30-17:30 (PHS) 1A002	11:00-12:30 JAN 4Q1	15:30-17:30 ASP A1G-3

- Exchange of views on the "UN Declaration on Rights of Peasants and Other People Working in Rural Areas" and global challenges affecting human rights in agriculture
Guests:
• FAIN representative
• EEAS representative
- Working Breakfast with Joel Hernandez Garcia Commissioner of the Inter-American Commission on Human Rights (IACHR)
By invitation
- Hearing: Children victims or witnesses of gender-based violence within families.
Guests:
• Marisa SOLETO ÁVILA, Director of the Women Foundation (Fundación Mujeres), Spain.
Secretary of the Scholarships Soledad Cazorla
- Clarissa SAMMUT SCERRI, Head of Department within the Department of Family Studies at the University of Malta
- Sandie BLANCHET, Director to the United Nations Children's Fund, Public Partnership Specialist

Committee on Women's Rights and Gender Equality (FEMM)

Committee on Petitions (PETI)

- Exchange of views on the criminalisation of humanitarian assistance at sea and the reception and living conditions of refugees and migrants in the Greek islands.
Guests:
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DAY 4/AGENDA THURSDAY 22 NOVEMBER

EURONEST Parliamentary Assembly	Committee on Fisheries (PECH)	Delegation for relations with the Maghreb countries (DMAG) and Democracy Support and Election Coordination Group (DEG)	Delegation for relations with Iran (D-I-R)	Delegation to the ACP-EU Joint Parliamentary Assembly (DACP)
ASP ground floor	9:00-9:30 PHS 5B001	<p>14:15-17:00 ASP 1E2</p> <p>Individual freedoms and gender equality in Morocco and Tunisia</p> <p>Guests:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mbarka BOUAIDA, Secrétaire d'Etat chargée de la pêche maritime, Maroc, et ancienne Présidente de la Commission Parlementaire mixte UE-Maroc (tbc) Wahid FERCHICHI, Président de l'Association pour la défense des libertés individuelles et porte-parole de la coalition d'organisations mobilisées en faveur des recommandations de la Commission des libertés individuelles et de l'égalité (COLIBE), Tunisie Asmaa KAOUECH, Sakharov Fellow, Tunisie 	<p>15:00-16:00 Check Screens</p> <p>Meeting of the Delegation for the Relations with Iran Guests:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Karim LAHIDIJI, President of the League for Human Rights in Iran Shadi SADR, Director of Justice for Iran 	<p>16:00-17:00 Check Screens</p> <p>The situation of human rights in the RDC in the context of presidential pre-election Guests:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Rémy NGOY LUMBU, Commissioner of the African Commission on Human and People's Rights

All Week Long

Human Rights Exhibitors	Exhibition: The 30 articles of the UDHR
ASP Ground Floor	ASP 3rd floor
Stand 1	The United Nations
Stand 2	The World Congress Against Death Penalty
Stand 3	EIUC (European Inter-University Centre for Human Rights and Democratisation) -- Venice University
Stand 4	ProtectDefenders
Stand 5	European Network of National Human Rights Institutions (ENNRI)

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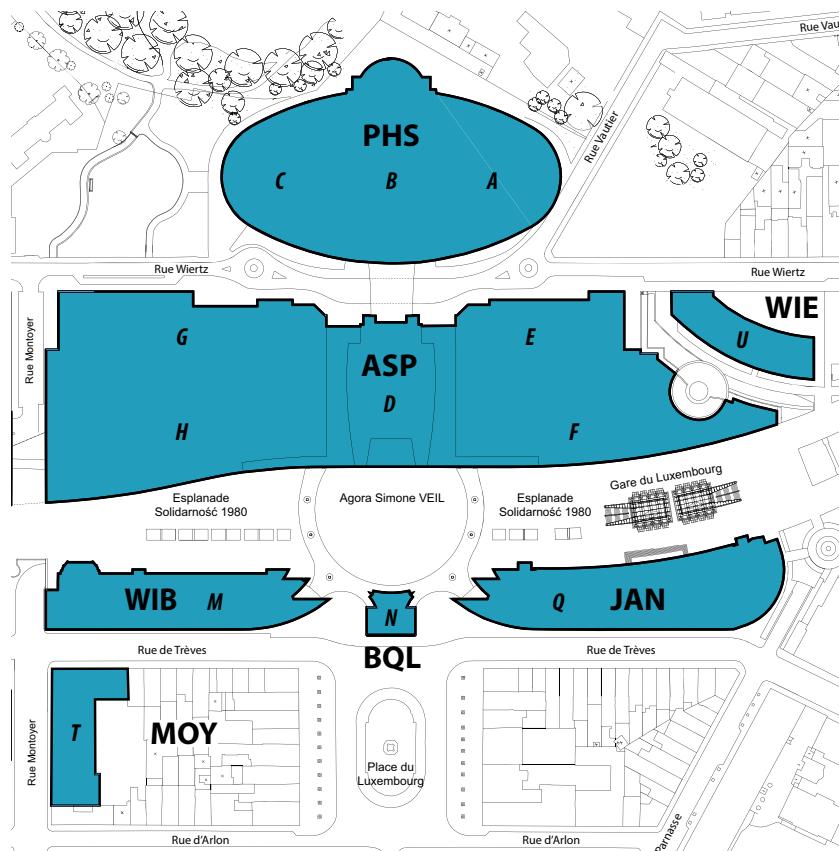
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