

ANNEX 1

Call for applications - Sakharov Fellowship 2016

The European Parliament is releasing a call for applications for the first Sakharov Fellowship, taking place from Monday 20 June to Saturday 2 July 2016. The Sakharov Prize Network initiated the Fellowship to enhance the capacity of individuals to defend human rights and thus to promote the freedom of thought as the underpinning value of the Sakharov Prize.

In particular, the objectives of the Sakharov Fellowship are:

- to increase Fellows' capacity to advocate for and effect positive change to protect human rights;
- to disseminate human rights training more widely through the Fellow training other human rights defenders in their region;
- to create a network of Sakharov Fellows who can share best practice and advocate on each other's behalf;
- to further improve links between MEPs and human rights defenders; and
- to extend awareness of the Sakharov Prize and Sakharov Prize Network.

To this end, the European Parliament invites applications from active and qualified human rights defenders in non-EU countries to take part in the 2016 Sakharov Fellowship.

The 2016 Sakharov Fellowship includes:

- **training in the European Parliament in Brussels** from 19-23 June 2016 developing understanding of the EU's human rights policies and instruments, communications and social media and accessing human rights funding, as well as discussing issues with MEPs, EU officials and NGOs;
- **a place on the Venice School of Human Rights organised by the European Inter-University Centre for Human Rights and Democratisation** from 24 June - 2 July 2016, which delivers world class teaching in human rights law and practice by leading practitioners. This will give the Fellow the opportunity to work alongside other human rights activists as well as to be taught by a Sakharov Laureate; and
- **the opportunity to publish an article on a human rights issue** on the European Parliament Sakharov Prize Network website and/or elsewhere;
- **the opportunity to develop human rights training materials** for use in the Fellow's region;
- accommodation in Venice and Brussels, return travel from country of origin and a daily living allowance; and
- **the opportunity to join a network of Sakharov Fellows.**

Further details of how to apply and application requirements are set out in the attached documents *Application Guidelines* and *Sakharov Fellows' Charter*. Further information on the Venice School of Human Rights is available at www.eiuc.org

ANNEX 2

Sakharov Fellowship 2016 - Application Guidelines

Candidates should satisfy the requirements of the Venice School of Human Rights hosted by the European Inter-University Centre for Human Rights and Democratisation, available at the EIUC website (<http://www.eiuc.org/>).

Candidates must have a high level of English, sufficient to follow and contribute to discussion groups and workshops at the Venice summer school and in Brussels.

In order to gain from the summer school teaching, candidates should either have a first degree in a human rights related subject, or a proven record in campaigning for human rights in a NGO or other organisation or in an individual capacity.

Candidates should demonstrate a commitment to improving human rights standards and defending human rights and some knowledge of human rights law or current human rights issues in their region (this could be focused on one specific area, for example child rights, minority rights etc.).

Candidates should send a CV and covering letter by e-mail to the European Parliament's Human Rights Action Unit at HumanRights-Actions@europarl.europa.eu by midnight CET Sunday 24 April 2016. Please quote *Sakharov Fellowship Application* in the subject line. Applications may also be supported by a written reference or an example of written work.

Successful candidates will be selected from a shortlist by the European Parliament members of the Sakharov Prize Network. The selection will be based on the above criteria and the candidates' capacity to fulfil the requirements in the Sakharov Fellows' Charter, as well as on the need to ensure geographical and gender balance. Priority may be given to candidates from the country of last year's Sakharov Prize Laureate and the countries of the shortlisted finalists for the Sakharov Prize of that year.

ANNEX 3

Sakharov Fellowship 2016 - Sakharov Fellows' Charter

Prior to the Fellowship, Fellows commit to:

- carry out any pre-reading necessary for the Venice School of Human Rights hosted by the European Inter-University Centre for Human Rights and Democratisation;
- maintain contact with the European Parliament officials co-ordinating the Sakharov Fellowship; and
- develop their awareness of the range of organisations involved in defending human rights in the region.

During the Fellowship, Fellows commit to:

- attend the Venice summer school and activities in Brussels, actively contributing to discussions and workshops;
- build links with other Fellows and the human rights defenders and professionals they meet throughout the Fellowship; and
- provide feedback on the Fellowship and suggestions for future rounds of the Fellowship.

After the Fellowship, Fellows commit to:

- produce human rights training materials that will be shared with NGOs in their region with the support of the Sakharov Prize Network, both in English and the Fellows' native language (if different);
- to produce an article that could be published for example on the Sakharov Prize Network website;
- to share their learning with other human rights defenders in their region; and
- to maintain contact with the network of Sakharov Fellows, as well as the wider Sakharov Prize Network and other human rights defenders and professionals they meet throughout the Fellowship.

Sakharov Fellows will also be expected to uphold the underpinning value of the Sakharov Prize for freedom of thought, including by promoting the Sakharov Prize and supporting the work of Sakharov Prize Laureates and other human rights defenders.

ANNEX 4

Sakharov Fellowship Draft Programme, Brussels 19-23 June 2016

19 June

- Individual arrivals of the fellows
- Accommodation

20 June

- Welcome by Pietro Ducci, Director for Democracy Support and Elections Observation
- Introduction to the programme by Inga Rosinska, acting Head of Human Rights Actions Unit
- Parliament's work on human rights defenders (Committee on Foreign Affairs, Subcommittee on Human Rights, Human Rights Actions and Sakharov Prize)
- Communication skills and social media (DG COMM)
- Networking with MEPs and officials

21 June

- EU policies on human rights defenders
- EU Funds for human rights defenders
- Working with EU Delegations
- Networking with officials (DG DEVCO Unit B1 Governance, Democracy, Gender, Human Rights, EAS Unit VI A2 Human Rights Policy Instruments and Bilateral Cooperation)
- Networking with MEPs and officials

22 June

- Working with governments as an NGO (both working with the home government and with EU, Member State and third country Delegations)
- EU Funds for human rights defenders (in the NGO sector as well as foundations and private funds)
- Networking with NGOs: Human Rights Defenders Network, European Endowment for Democracy, Reporters Without Borders, Frontline Defenders, Protection International, FIDH

23 June

- Attending the EP mini-Plenary session
- Debriefing
- Departure of the fellows to Venice

24 June – 2 July: Venice Summer School (see separate programme)

VENICE SCHOOL OF HUMAN RIGHTS

24 June - 2 July 2016

HUMAN RIGHTS AS OUR RESPONSIBILITY

Opening lectures

FRIDAY, 24 JUNE - Aula Magna

09.15 – 10.15 REGISTRATION

10.15 – 10.30 Welcoming

Florence BENOIT-ROHMER, Venice School Scientific Coordinator

10:30 - 12.00 Lecture:

Michel FORST, UN Special Rapporteur on the situation of Human Rights Defenders (TBC)

12.00 – 13.30 Lecture: Contemporary Human Rights Challenges

Manfred NOWAK, EIUC Secretary-General

13.30 – 15.00 Lunch

15.00 – 16.30 Strategies for the international protection of human rights defenders in an increasingly hostile environment

Andrew ANDERSON, Front Line Defenders

16.30 - 17.00 Q&As

17.00 Welcome Aperitif

SATURDAY, 25 JUNE - Aula Magna

10.00 – 11.00 Key lecture

Hauwa IBRAHIM, 2005 Sakharov Prize Laureate

11.00 – 11.30 Coffee Break

11.30 – 13.30 Roundtable discussion

Hauwa IBRAHIM, Michel FORST (TBC), Manfred NOWAK, Andrew ANDERSON, Ryszard KOMENDA

Moderator: Florence BENOIT-ROHMER

13.30 – 14.30 Lunch

CLUSTER: Business and Human Rights

Cluster Responsible: Ms Giulia DI TOMMASO

Sessions hrs	MONDAY 27 June	TUESDAY 28 June	WEDNESDAY 29 June	THURSDAY 30 June	FRIDAY 1 July	SATURDAY 2 July
9.30 11.00	Giulia DI TOMMASO <i>Opening session: Welcome to students – purposes expectations Opening remarks</i>	Heidi HAUTALA (TBC) <i>Business and Human Rights the EU parliament perspective</i>	Giulia DI TOMMASO <i>Business and Human Rights Practitioner perspective What companies are doing</i>	Chris OLDKNOW <i>Business and Human Rights and Digital Markets</i>	FAO representative <i>Engagement FAO in HR Right to food and right to land issues</i>	Aurora VOICULESCU, Giulia DI TOMMASO, Chris OLDKNOW <i>Roundtable discussion</i>
11.00 11.30	BREAK					
11.30 13.00	XXX (TBC) <i>Setting the scene: Business and Human Rights and International Law</i>	Heidi HAUTALA (TBC) <i>Case study</i>	Giulia DI TOMMASO <i>Case study/breakout sessions (B&HR due diligence and reporting) Wrap up and report to main group</i>	Chris OLDKNOW <i>Business and Human Rights and Digital Markets Case study</i>	Denis FOSSELDAR <i>Human rights for companies? Human rights and competition law/trade law</i>	PLENARY MEETING DEVCO Representative <i>EU strategy to protect Human Rights Defenders</i>
13.00 14.30	LUNCH					
14.30 16.30	Ryszard KOMENDA <i>The experiences of Russian companies in implementation of global compact</i>	Heidi HAUTALA (TBC) <i>Feedback from case study and wrap up of the Day</i>	PLENARY MEETING FRAME PANEL	Giulia DI TOMMASO, Chris OLDKNOW <i>open discussions on key outcomes of previous sessions</i>	Aurora VOICULESCU <i>The BH Right initiative: perspective from Academic networks on Business and Human Rights</i>	FREE

CLUSTER: TECHNICAL PROGRESS AND HUMAN RIGHTS

Cluster Responsible: Prof. Jean-Paul JACQUÉ

Sessions hrs	MONDAY 27 June	TUESDAY 28 June	WEDNESDAY 29 June	THURSDAY 30 June	FRIDAY 1 July	SATURDAY 2 July
9.30 11.00	Laurence LWOFF <i>Technical progress, medicine and human rights</i>	Laurence LWOFF <i>Technical progress, medicine and human rights</i>	Wolfgang BENEDEK The human right to privacy and data protection and their relationship to freedom of expression.	Wolfgang BENEDEK <i>Challenges of data protection by the state: surveillance, data retention, weak data protection authorities, measures against digital human rights defenders and their protection</i>	Wojtek BOGUSZ <i>The use of the new technologies to defend human rights</i>	Jean Paul JACQUÉ <i>European challenges on the subject of data protection</i>
11.00 11.30	BREAK					
11.30 13.00	Laurence LWOFF <i>Technical progress, medicine and human rights</i>	Laurence LWOFF <i>Technical progress, medicine and human rights</i>	Wolfgang BENEDEK Data processing and human rights	Wolfgang BENEDEK <i>Challenges of data protection by business: tracking and user profiles, privacy in social networks, user rights and remedies</i>	Wojtek BOGUSZ <i>How to protect human right defenders from the use of new technologies</i>	PLENARY MEETING DEVCO Representative EU strategy to protect Human Rights Defenders 12.30 DISTRIBUTION OF CERTIFICATES
13.00 14.30	LUNCH					
14.30 16.30	Laurence LWOFF <i>Technical progress, medicine and human rights</i>	Laurence LWOFF <i>Technical progress, medicine and human rights</i>	PLENARY MEETING FRAME PANEL	Wolfgang BENEDEK <i>Workshop: How to counter challenges to privacy and data protection by state and business, how to strengthen user rights</i>	Wojtek BOGUSZ <i>Simulation/case study</i>	FREE

CLUSTER: VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN AS GENDER BASED VIOLENCE: FROM 'CEDAW' TO ISTANBUL AND BEYOND

Cluster Responsibles: Prof. Maria Teresa PIZARRO BELEZA – Prof. Kalliope AGAPIOU-JOSEPHIDES

	MONDAY 27 June	TUESDAY 28 June	WEDNESDAY 29 June	THURSDAY 30 June	FRIDAY 1 July	SATURDAY 2 July
9.30 11.00	Teresa PIZARRO BELEZA Kalliope AGAPIOU-JOSEPHIDES <i>Introduction to the Cluster GBV as Structural Discrimination and the Need to Empower Women</i>	Dubravka SIMONOVIC <i>The Role of the UN Special Rapporteur on Violence Against Women: Achievements and Challenges</i>	Kalliope AGAPIOU-JOSEPHIDES Teresa PIZARRO BELEZA <i>Gender-based Violence: European, Inter-American and African experiences compared</i>	Leyla YUNUS (TBC) <i>Activism and GBV: The Role of NGOs and Human Rights Defenders</i>	Myria VASSILIADOU <i>Human Trafficking as Gender Based Violence: Legal and Policy Framework Current Challenges</i>	Teresa PIZARRO BELEZA Myria VASSILIADOU Florence BENOIT-ROHMER <i>Round table discussion What have we learned so far?</i>
11.00 11.30	Break					
11.30 13.00	Kalliope AGAPIOU-JOSEPHIDES Teresa PIZARRO BELEZA <i>From CEDAW to Istanbul and beyond Theoretical and Empirical Approaches</i>	Dubravka SIMONOVIC <i>The Role of the UN Special Rapporteur on Violence Against Women: Achievements and Challenges</i>	Teresa PIZARRO BELEZA Kalliope AGAPIOU-JOSEPHIDES <i>Gender-based Violence: European, Inter-American and African experiences compared Case law</i>	Leyla YUNUS (TBC) <i>Activism and GBV: Interactive exercise on gender-based violence</i>	Myria VASSILIADOU <i>Human Trafficking as Gender Based Violence: Legal and Policy Framework Current Challenges</i>	PLENARY MEETING DEVCO Representative EU strategy to protect Human Rights Defenders
						12.30 DISTRIBUTION OF CERTIFICATES
13.00 14.30	Lunch					
14.30 16.30	Dubravka SIMONOVIC <i>Violence Against Women and GBV as a Global Human Rights Challenge</i>	Ryszard KOMENDA <i>Gender Violence in Russian Federation</i>	PLENARY MEETING FRAME PANEL	<i>Film screening and debate</i>	Florence BENOIT-ROHMER <i>The obligation of States to protect from GBV: Tracing Court's decisions at the ECHR</i>	FREE