



**2021 GENERAL ASSEMBLY
OF THE WORLD COALITION AGAINST THE DEATH PENALTY**

PROGRAMME 18 JUNE 2018

Plenary session:

14:30-16:30 (GMT+2): 2021 GA – Statutory meeting - EN and FR

Side events:

12:00-13:00 (GMT+2): Abolition in OIC member states - EN and FR

16:30-17:30 (GMT+2): Abolition in Malawi and trend in Africa - EN

16:45-17:45 (GMT+2): The death penalty for juvenile offenders - EN

17:30-18:30 (GMT+2): World Day: women sentenced to death - EN and FR

Online Trainings:

11am-noon (GMT+2): Strategies for countries at risk - EN

17:30-18:30 (GMT+2): International Advocacy with the UN - EN

18:30-19:30 (GMT+2): Working with pro bono attorneys - EN

8:00-9:30 (19 May - GMT+2): Anti- Death Penalty Asia Youth Forum

DESCRIPTIONS AND SPEAKERS

Plenary session:

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Draft agenda

- Opening remarks
- Adoption of the agenda
- Adoption of the minutes of the 2019 General Assembly
- Adoption of the 2020 activity report
- Adoption of the 2020 financial reports
 - o Report of the Statutory Auditor
 - o Report for the 2020 closing of accounts and allocation of the 2020 benefit
 - o Granting the treasurer full discharge of his management for the 2020 financial year on the accounts
- Adoption of the 2021 annual action plan
- Adoption of the 2021 provisional budget
- Adoption of amendments to the bylaws
- Announcement of the results of the elections of the Steering Committee 2021 – 2023

Side events:

12:00-13:00 (GMT+2): Abolition in OIC member states - EN and FR

Description: This event sponsored by ECPM aims to:

- Present a comparative analysis of the key steps that led to abolition (integration of international law, national legislation reform, ...) in the member states of the Organization of the Islamic Conference;
- To inform on the role played by different actors in these abolition processes;
- To present a comparative position of the OIC Member States vis-à-vis the international instruments;
- To give an overview of the situation of the States in moratorium.

Speakers:

- Moderator: Julia Bourbon Fernandez, MONA ECPM Coordinator
- Naël George, author of the study published by ECPM
- Chokri Latif, Tunisian Coalition Against the Death Penalty
- Abderrahim Jamaï, Moroccan Coalition Against the Death Penalty

16:30-17:30 (GMT+2): The abolition of the death penalty in Malawi and the trend toward abolition in the region – EN

Description:

Want to hear more about abolition in Malawi and the how it could impact the region? Join this session sponsored by the Cornell Center on the Death Penalty Worldwide, the East African Coalition Against the Death Penalty and Reprieve.

Speakers:

- Habiba Osman from Malawi Human Rights Commission, as moderator
- Alexius Kamangila, Malawian representative at Reprieve
- Winnie Syombua and Shirly Amayo – Reprieve, Kenyan Representatives currently implementing a resentencing scheme like Malawi's following the abolition of the mandatory death penalty
- Kelly Kapianga, Zambian lawyer who is working to replicate abolition in the neighbouring countries
- Fulgence Massawe, East African Coalition Against the Death Penalty, LHRC, Tanzania

16:45-17:45 (GMT+2): The death penalty for juvenile offenders – EN

Description: Want to know more about where when, why and how the death penalty is still applied to juvenile offenders? Join this session for an analysis of why or how it is still applied, and the difference between the three countries: Iran, Pakistan and Saudi Arabia. Sponsored by Harm Reduction International, Iran Human Rights, Justice Project Pakistan and European-Saudi Organization for Human Rights

Speakers:

- Kambiz Ghafouri (Moderator)
- Sarah Belal (Justice Project Pakistan)
- Duaa Dhain (European-Saudi Organization for Human Rights)
- Mahmood Amiry-Moghaddam (Iran Human Rights)

17:30-18:30 (GMT+2): World Day: women sentenced to death - EN and FR

Description: Discover the theme of the 2021 World Day Against the Death Penalty and all the tools developed by the World Day Working Group.

Speakers:

- Bronwyn Dudley, World Coalition Against the Death Penalty, moderator
- Angela Uwandu Uzoma-Iwuchukwu, Lawyers Without Borders France in Nigeria
- Debra Milke, Witness To Innocence
- Cornell Center on the Death Penalty Worldwide (tbc)

Online Trainings (limited to 20 people):

11am-noon (GMT+2): Strategies for countries at risk – EN

Description: debating strategies for abolitionist countries at risk of a return to the death penalty (Maldives, Philippines, Sri Lanka, Turkey...), based on the experience of the past three years.

Speakers: Maldives Working Group, Philippines Working Group, Sri Lanka Working Group, Turkey Working Group

17:30-18:30 (GMT+2): International Advocacy with the UN – EN

Description:

This session will provide participants with guidance for engaging in advocacy with UN treaty bodies and the Human Rights Council after submitting a report. The session will cover one-pagers, formal and informal briefings, electronic and in-person lobbying, side events, oral statements, and social media campaigning related to the Universal Periodic Review and the treaty body periodic review process.

Speaker:

- Amy Bergquist, The Advocates for Human Rights
- Elizabeth Lacy, The Advocates for Human Rights
- Carter Mickelson, The Advocates for Human Rights

18:30-19:30 (GMT+2): Working with pro bono attorneys – EN

Description:

Do you wish your organization could do more with its limited time, staff, and financial resources? Learn how pro bono attorneys can help! This session will provide participants with suggestions for finding pro bono attorneys, communicating effectively with potential pro bono teams, defining projects, collaborating with pro bono attorneys on those projects, and strengthening your relationships with attorneys in private practice. Panelists will include pro bono attorneys who have worked with members of the World Coalition on various projects.

Speakers:

- Amy Bergquist, The Advocates for Human Rights
- Theresa Dykoschak, The Advocates for Human Rights
- Flavie Fuentes, TrustLaw (Thomson Reuters Foundation)
- Pam Wandzel, Fredrikson & Byron, P.A.
- Jessica Simon, Ballard Spahr LLP

Saturday 19 May 8:00-9:30 GMT+2 - 14:00-15:30 (GMT+8): Anti- Death Penalty Asia Youth Forum

Description: Objectives of the event sponsored by ADPAN and TAEDP

- To have a general idea about the recent situation of the death penalty in Asia;
- To have a closer look at the latest development of the abolition movement in certain countries;
- To exchange the experience and strategies against the death penalty;
- To encourage the young activists and to build solidarity among the movement;
- To serve as a warm-up event for the next Asia youth workshop.

Facilitator: Dobby CHEW, Executive Coordinator, Anti-Death Penalty Asia Network (ADPAN)

Speakers:

- Malaysia, Eugene How, Misi Solidariti,
- Taiwan, Lihan Luo, TAEDP
- India, Ashna Devaprasad

Concept Note

This event is an inspiration and a continuous effort from the previous Abolitionist Asia Workshop (AAW) held respectively in Taipei in 2013, 2014 in Kuala Lumpur and 2016 in Taipei.

More than 20 self-funded activists participated in the first workshop in 2013 and came up with a joint action of delivering a letter demanding ending the death penalty on behalf of the participants to the respective consulates / embassies, such as Thai, Singaporean, Chinese, in our own countries. The topics of the 5-day workshop ranged from case work/ case studies, legal assistance, testimonies from the death row inmates' family, political lobbying, media work and public education, and a field trip to the court, and of course solidarity dinner and fun. The next year, a 3-day workshop was hosted by the KL & Selangor Chinese Assembly Hall in Kuala Lumpur. Two years later in 2016, the 3rd workshop was held again in Taipei and we had more activists from China to join us. The three AAW have built a foundation of cooperation and support even though people came and went through the years.

With the call for side events to the WCADP GA, TAEDP partners with ADPAN to jointly organize the Anti- Death Penalty Asia Youth Forum. We hope to invite young activists as speakers from a few target countries to give briefings on their current situation and their strategies/ campaigns. The speakers can also share their personal reflections on the anti-death penalty campaign. This event can serve as a get-together for ADPAN members and friends, as well as a warm-up event for the upcoming Asia workshop organized by TAEDP in 2022.

Format:

One facilitator and a maximum number of 5 speakers. English will be the main language used. Each speaker will speak for 10 minutes giving a brief introduction to the death penalty situation in her/his country and sharing her/his organizational and/or personal reflections. There will be 30 minutes for Questions and Answers.