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8h30-
12h30

FRIDAY
OCTOBER 7, 2016

SCIENCE & HUMAN RIGHTS

Discussion with World Renowned Scientists

An opportunity for scholars and students of science, engineering, health, law, literature, and journalism to meet and discuss the views of prominent scientists from around the world about many aspects of this critical but often overlooked issue.

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PROGRAM

- 8h30-8h40 **Welcome**
Carlos Aguirre-Bastos, Senior Policy Adviser, National Secretariat for Science, Technology and Innovation of Panama
- 8h40-9h25 **Human Rights – An Essential Ingredient for Science to Flourish**
Moderator: Pedro León Azofeifa, President, National Academy of Sciences of Costa Rica
- Panelists:**
Édouard Brézin, Professor Emeritus, University of Paris 6; Laboratory for Theoretical Physics, École Normale Supérieure—*An Historical Perspective*
- Elisabeth Rachlew, Professor of Applied Atomic & Molecular Physics, KTH Royal Institute of Technology— *The Importance of International Communication and Collaboration*
- Roberta D’Alessandro, Professor & Chair, Italian Language and Culture, Centre for Linguistics, Leiden University; member, Global Young Academy
—*Restrictions on Freedom of Research and Movement Today*

Martin Chalfie, Nobel Laureate in Chemistry; Chair, Committee on Human Rights, US National Academy of Sciences; Professor, Biological Sciences, Colombia University—*How and why Scientists involve themselves in Human Rights Advocacy*

9h25-9h40 Discussion

9h40-10h15 Science and Human Rights in Latin America

Moderator: Belita Koiller, Professor of Physics, Instituto de Fisicas, Universidade Federal do Rio de Janeiro & President, Sociedade Brasileira de Física

Panelists:

Angelina Jaffe, Dean, School of Law, Universidad Metropolitana, Venezuela—*Science, Scientists & International Human Rights Law*

Clara Arenas, Director, Guatemalan Association for the Advancement of Social Sciences—*Scholars and Human Rights in Guatemala: Yesterday, Today and Tomorrow*

Benjamin Scharifker, Rector, Universidad Metropolitana, Venezuela—*Science and Human Rights in Venezuela—a status report*

10h15-10h30 Discussion

10h30-11h00

COFFEE/TEA BREAK

11h00-12h00 Science, Human Rights, and: Palestinian Scientists and Scholars; Health Care Workers; Indigenous Peoples; Underprivileged Children; and Human Research

Moderator: Carlos Aguirre-Bastos

Panelists:

Yousef Najajreh, Dean, Faculty of Pharmacy, Al-Quds University, Palestine—*Scientists and Human Rights in Palestine: status reports*

Nelson Sewankambo, MD, President, National Academy of Sciences of Uganda & Principal Makerere University College of Health Sciences—*Trials and Tribulations of Health Care Workers in Protection of Human Rights in Uganda*

Ida Nicolaisen, Senior Research Fellow, Nordic Institute of Asian Studies, Copenhagen & former member, UN Permanent Forum on Indigenous Peoples—*Science, Human Rights, and Indigenous Peoples*

Ovid Tzeng, former Chancellor, University Systems of Taiwan & former Minister of Cultural Affairs and Education—*The Responsibility of Scientists to Reduce the Knowledge-divide among Underprivileged Children*

D. Balasubramanian, Distinguished Scientist & Director Emeritus, L.V. Prasad Eye Institute, Hyderabad & former Professor and Dean, University of Hyderabad
—*Science, Ethics & Human Research using Stem Cell Therapy & Gene Editing*

12h00-12h30 Discussion

12h30 Light LUNCH with students, scholars and speakers

