

South Programme IV

BUILDING A COMMON LEGAL SPACE:

A decade of joint action in the Southern Mediterranean region

8-9 June 2022

Casa Mediterráneo, Alicante, Spain

PROGRAMME

Wednesday 8 June 2022

17.30-18:30 Registration of participants

18.30 Plenary Session

Introductory remarks by Mr Andrés Perelló Rodríguez, Director Casa Mediterráneo

- Mr Pascual Ignacio Navarro Ríos, Secretary of State for the European Union, Spain
- Ms Verena Taylor, Director, Office of the Directorate General of Programmes, Council of Europe
- Mr Pascal Odul, Head of Sector Good Governance and Security in the MENA region, Directorate General for Neighbourhood and Enlargement Negotiations (DG NEAR), European Union
- Mr Manuel Montobbio, Ambassador, Chair of the Group of Rapporteurs on External Relations of the Committee of Ministers, Council of Europe

Welcoming reception

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Thursday 9 June 2022

9.00-11.00

Opening Session: Human security in the Southern Mediterranean region - progress achieved and challenges ahead

Keynote speech by Bichara Khader, Emeritus Professor at Université Catholique de Louvain (Belgium)

Video "10 years of the South Programme"

Opening panel (in alphabetical order):

- Mr Omar Hamad Atiyahullah Saleh, President of the National Council for Civil and Human Rights, Libya (tbc)
- Ms Raoudha Laabidi, President, National Authority on the fight against trafficking in human beings, Tunisia (tbc)
- Ms Zoya Rouhana, Director of KAFA ("enough") association, Lebanon
- Ms Paqui Santonja, Senior Advisor, Casa Mediterráneo

Moderator: Mr Haizam Amirah Fernández, Senior expert, Real Instituto Elcano, Madrid, Spain

11.00-11.30

Family photo
Media corner
Coffee break

11.30-13.00 Session 1: Towards a common legal space - 10 years of joint action

Achievements and challenges: exchange of views (in alphabetical order):

- Mr Omar Amghar, Director for the European Union and Mediterranean Processes, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Morocco (online)
- Ms Faouzia Chaabane Jabeur, President of the SAWN association, Tunisia
- Mr Chawki Gaddes, President of the National Data Protection Authority (INPDP), Tunisia
- Mr Manuel Montobbio, Ambassador, Chair of the Group of Rapporteurs on External Relations of the Committee of Ministers, Council of Europe
- Ms Pilar Morales, Head of the Council of Europe Office in Tunis, Coordinator of the Neighbourhood Policy with the Southern Mediterranean (online)

Moderator: Mr Serguei Kouznetsov, Head of Division, Venice Commission, Council of Europe

Ensuring effective implementation of Council of Europe standards

Presentation of the Council of Europe HELP Programme - Ms Eva Pastrana, Head of Justice and Human Rights Training Division, Department for the implementation of Human Rights, Justice and Legal Co-operation Standards, Council of Europe

Exchange of views between certified HELP tutors in the region and professionals trained by the South Programme (in alphabetical order):

- Mr Ahmed Banasr, Forensic Physician, Associate Professor at the Forensic medicine department of the Charles Nicole Hospital in Tunis, Tunisia (online)
- Mr Samir El Ghalimi, Director of the International cooperation department, Higher Institute of Magistracy, Morocco (tbc)
- Ms Hania El Helweh, Judge, Lebanon (tbc)
- Mr Abdelhnine Touzani, Acting Director General of the Institut Supérieur de la Magistrature, Morocco (tbc)

Moderator: Ms Carmen Morte Gómez, Head of the Council of Europe Office in Rabat

13.00-14.30 Lunch



14.30-15.45 Session 2: Accountable societies and good governance

Justice and public administration reform as well as prevention of corruption in upholding the Rule of Law in the Southern Mediterranean region (in alphabetical order):

- Dr Khalood Sami Al Oran, Chairman, Integrity and Anti-corruption Commission (JIACC), Jordan (online)
- Mr Mohamed Raslan, Vice President of the Council of State of Egypt, Secretary General of the Arab Union of Administrative Justice, Egypt
- Mr Yassir Chokairi, Director, Partnership & Development, National Authority for Probity, Prevention and Fight against Corruption, Morocco (online)
- Mr Samir Bouggar, Head of Cooperation Division, Ministry of Digital Transition and Administration Reform, Morocco
- Ms Rasha Amarneh, Adviser to the Commissioner, Palestinian Anti-corruption Commission

Moderator: Ms Muriel Decot, Secretary of the CEPEJ, Council of Europe



15.45-16.00 Coffee break

16.00-18.00

**Session 3: Combating common challenges in the Southern Mediterranean region:
case studies**

Trafficking in human beings – a case study (in alphabetical order):

- Mr Salem Eltaieb, Director of External Relations National Council for Civil and Human Rights, Libya
- Mr Frej Fenniche, MENA Director, No Peace Without Justice
- Ms Raoudha Laabidi, President, National Authority to Fight Human Trafficking (INLTP), Tunisia
- Mr Hichem Mellati, President of the national Commission in charge of the coordination of measures aimed at the fight against the prevention of trafficking in human beings in the Kingdom of Morocco (tbc)

Moderator: Mehdi Remili, Head of Unit, Capacity Building and Cooperation projects, South Mediterranean region, Council of Europe, Council of Europe

Combatting violence against women – a case study (in alphabetical order):

- Ms Karima Brini, Association « Femmes et Citoyenneté » le Kef, Tunis (online)
- Ms Micheline Elias Massaad, Executive Director, National Commission for Lebanese Women (NCLW), Lebanon
- Ms Nagwa Ibrahim Ramadan, Executive Manager, Edraak Foundation for development and Equality, Egypt
- Ms Randa Siniora, General Director, WCLAC, Palestine (online)
- Mr Mohamed Oukhlifa, Attorney General at the Court of Cassation, seconded to the Presidency of the Public Prosecutor's Office, Head of the Technical Cooperation Unit, Morocco (tbc)

Moderator: Mehdi Remili, Head of Unit, Capacity Building and Cooperation projects, South Mediterranean region, Council of Europe, Council of Europe

18.00 Closing remarks

- Ms Verena Taylor, Director, Office of the Directorate General of Programmes, Council of Europe
- Mr Pascal Odul, Head of Sector Good Governance and Security in the MENA region, Directorate General for Neighbourhood and Enlargement Negotiations, DG NEAR, European Union

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