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Description:

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The FIDH is organizing or co-organising two panels and three seminars.

Panels

As a member of the Human Rights Caucus, the FIDH is co-organising a panel on "Human Rights for Social Changes", which will take place on 19 January and focus on the significance of human rights as guiding and organizing principles for institutions of global governance. Speakers will include Shirin Ebadi and Sidiki Kaba.

The panel on "Challenging Corporate Power in a Globalized Economy", organized by the Corporate Accountability Caucus, of which the FIDH is a member, will take place on 18 January.

Seminars

The FIDH is also organizing two seminars, with the participation of Shirin Ebadi, and Sidiki Kaba.

The first seminar, entitled "Human Rights and Counter-Terrorism", will be held on 18 January. Speakers will study the impact of terrorist attacks on Human Rights and domestic legislation, with a specific regional focus.

On 20 January, the seminar "the Globalization of Justice: the International Criminal Court" the will examine the relevance of the International Criminal Court to the phenomenon of globalization of justice. Speakers from the Indian civil society will emphasize the Indian experience.

The FIDH will also participate in a seminar entitled "The Arab Social Forum: Organizational and Conceptual Process", organized by the Arab NGO Network for Development (ANND) on 19 January. This workshop will be dedicated to the discussion of the Arab Social Forum (ArSF) and its organizational as well as conceptual procedures. The aim is to set an inclusive strategy that would lead to a successful organization of the ARSF.

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