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March 2008: Honouring Human Rights

As the whole year, 2008 will be dedicated to the commemoration of the 60th anniversary of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, two major opportunities to promote UNESCO's commitment to human rights and their application will take place in March.

On International Women's Day (8th March), the UNESCO Social and Human Sciences Sector will be launching the website of the [International Network of Women Philosophers](#).

This new information portal is dedicated to the members of the International Network of Women Philosophers and to the "friends" of philosophy, regardless of their gender or academic discipline. The portal is structured in such a way as to be useful and informative, but above all, it aims at linking the philosopher's community at national, regional and international levels. The portal also contains a directory of women philosophers, with over 1200 members in different countries of the world.

In addition, an electronic periodical newsletter, proposing articles signed by the women philosophers, as well as the latest news from the world of philosophy, will be published on the portal and sent to the members of the network.

Two weeks later, an event will be organized at UNESCO Headquarters on 19th March 2008 to celebrate the [International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination](#) (21st March), giving an opportunity to reflect on migrant's rights. Co-organized by UNESCO and a French non-governmental organization, "The Challenge of Living Together" this event will be comprised of three parts

- The opening of an exhibition on: "One Face to Another, Different Views on the History of Algeria and France, Yesterday and Today", produced by Professors Renaud Farella and Alain Degenne and their secondary school students; the exhibition will be open to the public from 20-27 March.
- The screening of: "The Life before Mine", a French documentary produced with secondary school students who interviewed their parents on their origins, their exile and their life in France.
- A debate on "the School and Immigrants", chaired by Patricia Sitruk, Director-General of the "Cité nationale de l'histoire de l'immigration" (a public institution dedicated to the history of immigration).

Related links :

- [International Network of Women Philosophers](#)
- [19 March Event for the International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination](#)

Other events related to the UNESCO's Social and Human Sciences programme in March 2008:

- **5-6 March:** Second Forum of Ministers of Social Development of South Asia, **India**
- **13-14 March:** Colloquium of the Launching of the European Year of Intercultural Dialogue, UNESCO House, Paris, **France**
- **17-19 March:** Regional seminar on the Cost of Poverty in Latin America and the Caribbean, **Jamaica**
- **17-25 March:** Feasibility Study - Diambars Project (followed by a press conference), **Tanzania**
- **19-25 March:** Traditional Wrestling Championship in Asia, **Kyrgyzstan**
- **25-27 March:** HIV and AIDS in Africa - Colloquium "Getting Research into Policy and Practice", Limpopo, **South Africa**
- **27-29 March:** Bioethics Conference, COMSTECH – UNESCO – CBEC in Asia and the Pacific, **Pakistan**

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