News

Write a Letter for Scientists' Rights
To commemorate International Human Rights Day, we will host Amnesty's Global Write-A-Thon on December 7. Information is available [here](#). Unable to attend? Read our [action alerts](#) and write a letter.

Learn more about Human Rights Day
Curious about the relationship between science and human rights? Visit the SRHRL Human Rights Day [page](#) to learn more and to see a list of other events.

Coalition

Next Meeting: January 31-February 1
The next meeting will focus on children's rights, including ways technology could impact children's rights in the U.S., children's rights online; and more. Learn more [here](#).

Human Rights Program Evaluation
January 11, the Coalition's Service to the Human Rights Community Working Group will host a workshop in New York City on program evaluation methods and tools used by social scientists. To register, [email us](#).

ASA: The rights of statisticians in Argentina

On-Call Scientists

New On-Call Scientist Available

This month we welcome another new volunteer: a conservation scientist based in Ireland, just one of the 42 countries where you can find the almost 750 On-Call Scientists. Could your human rights organization benefit from their expertise? To request pro bono assistance, [submit a request online](#).

AAAS Events

Global Write-A-Thon
December 7, 2012
Washington, DC

Human Rights Program Evaluation
January 11, 2013
New York, NY

Coalition Meeting
January 31-February 1, 2013
Washington, DC

Coalition Council Meeting
February 1, 2013
Washington, DC

Other Events

Human Rights Day Events

Discussion: Bioethics and Human Rights: Privacy and Consent
December 6, 2012
Washington, DC

Symposium: Disasters, Displacement, and Human Rights
February 8-9, 2013
Knoxville, TN

Course: Health Sector Reform: Applying Human Rights Based Approaches
July 2013
International Human Rights Network
Galway, IE

Resources

Human Rights Projects: Guidelines
Calls for Volunteers:

A human rights organization seeks experts in cryptography, image data analysis, computer vision, database security and digital threat modeling to support development of new applications for documenting human rights violations. If you are interested in this project and are suitably qualified, please contact oncall@aaas.org for more information.

Other News

Syrian Internet Completely Shut Off (Wired)

Saudi Arabia: Electronic System Tracks Women (RawStory)

AIDS: Getting to Zero with Women and Girls (Forbes)

Bahrain: Persecuted doctors continue struggle (WWT)

Guatemala: End abuses in psychiatric facilities (DRI)

US: New York City Police Gathering Phone Logs (NYT)

US: Court Blocks Law Against Recording Police (Tribune)

US: Personal Information Found in Parade Confetti (UPI)

US: Judge Backs Student Expelled for rejecting RFID Tag (TNW)

Finland: Copyright Police Siege Laptop from 9-year-old (BGR)

UK: ‘Risk-Profiling’ Software to Screen Passengers (BBC)

US: Judge Demands E-mail and Facebook Passwords (TNW)

S. Korea: Man Given Suspended Sentence for Tweets (NYT)

India: Two Arrested over Facebook Post (Chron)

Big Data Could Sink Europe's 'Right to be Forgotten' (Gigaom)

Google: Government Surveillance Growing (InfoWeek)

EFF Sues to block Internet Sex-Offender Law (Wired)

Netherlands: Skype Hands Over Personal Information (Nu.nl)

Austria: Operator of Tor Exit Node Prosecuted (ArsTechnica)

Reading List

A Prison in the Mind (GDWG)

Hot Spots: American Foreign Policy in a Post-Human-Rights World (Amitai Etzioni)

Human Rights as Social Construction (Benjamin Gregg)

Losing Humanity: The Case Against Killer Robots (HRW)

The OPERA Framework (CESR)

Assessing fiscal policies from a human rights perspective (CESR)

Opportunities

Fellowships:

Science and Technology Policy Fellowships (AAAS)

Scholar Rescue Fund for Threatened Academics

Job Openings:

Program Associate for India (PWESCR)
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