**Program Evaluation Workshop**

On June 21, scientists will lead a training session on how to evaluate human rights programs, plan studies, gauge impact, and more. [Click Here for Details and Registration](#).

**A Scientist or Engineer? Have Your Say!**

Please complete this [questionnaire](#) about your perspectives on the responsibilities of scientists and engineers to society. Non-US respondents are particularly welcome.

**Geospatial Project: Focus on Central Asia**

The Geospatial Technologies and Human Rights Project has partnered with local NGOs to document environmental pollution and forced displacement near the city of Turkmenbashi, Turkmenistan. [Read More](#).

**AAAS Input to UNESCO Process**

UNESCO is considering a revision of its 1974 Recommendation on the Status of Scientific Researchers and invited input. AAAS has responded with a [letter](#) from its CEO.

**BBC Highlights Geospatial Work**

Staff member Susan Wolfinbarger was recently interviewed by the BBC, on the occasion of the 10-year anniversary of the conflict in Darfur. Listen by clicking on the eighth news item listed [here](#).

**Coalition**

**July 11 - 12: Coalition Meeting**

The meeting will address conceptual challenges in defining the right to "enjoy the benefits of scientific progress." Review the agenda and register [here](#).

**July 12: Council meeting**

The Coalition Council will meet on July 12 to
consider the Coalition's progress, including development of a report to the UN on Article 15 and encouragement of science funding for human rights-related research.

ASA: Scientists Beware: Shooting the Messenger

On-call Scientists

New On-call Scientists Available

Welcome, new volunteers! The On-Call Scientists network now includes:

- An engineer specializing in air quality impact studies and air toxins health risk assessments
- An anthropologist whose research focuses on population genetics and evolutionary genetics
- A biochemist with experience conducting HIV/AIDS outreach and awareness programs.

Could your human rights organization benefit from their expertise? On-Call Scientists has connected human rights organizations with biologists, ecologists, physicians, psychologists, statisticians, anthropologists, engineers, computer scientists and more. Pro bono assistance ranges from brief consultations to long-term projects. Find out more.

Calls for Volunteers

A human rights organization seeks an engineer with expertise in pipeline design, construction and maintenance to conduct analysis regarding an oil spill in Africa.

Other assistance sought by human rights organizations includes:

- 3D reconstruction from digital images that document human rights abuses
- Visual ethnography and anthropology for internal evaluation and reporting
- Developing indicators and other evaluation tools for measuring impact of human rights programs
- Database creation and management

If you are interested in these projects and are suitably qualified, please sign up to volunteer here.

Other News

Guatemala: Forensic Science in Human Rights Trial (TwinCities)

Psychiatrist to be Honored for Human Rights Efforts (PsychNews)

Course: Introduction to Technology for Human Rights
July 29, 2013
Online

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

Workshop: DNA, Human Rights, and Human Trafficking
September 13, 2013
Durham, NC

Resources

Human Rights Projects: Guidelines for Scientists and Human Rights Organizations

Primer on Scientific Freedom and Human Rights

Science, Technology and Human Rights Syllabi

Start Kit: Helping Your Society Promote Human Rights

Organizations Defending the Human Rights of Scientists

Bibliography: Science, Technology and Human Rights

Partnerships: Scientists, Engineers and Human Rights Organizations

Reading List

The Rescue of Science and Learning (Scholar Rescue Fund)

Syria's Refugee Academics (UC Davis)

Human Rights DNA Collection (Kim & Katsanis)

Intellectual Property Rights and Access to Science (Project Muse)

The Human Right to Water Bill in
USA: Bill to Protect Health Workers Introduced (PHR)

Syria: Statement by UN High Commissioner for Human Rights (OHCHR)

Health: Bringing a Human Rights Perspective to the Vaccination Debate (ScienceAlert)

Human Rights: A Responsibility of Scientific Organizations Too (EuroScientist)

Indicators: The factual backdrop for human rights protection and development agendas (OHCHR)

Health: Why services alone will not protect women's reproductive rights (DevPolicy)

USA: Texas set to enact sweeping e-mail privacy protections (ArsTechnica)

USA: Federal Court Rules Warrant Required to Search Phone (USCourts)

UN Official: Fully Autonomous weapons should be banned (Guardian)

Robot Warriors: Heading into Battle? (NatGeo)

California (Berkeley)

Doctors' and Psychologists' Role in Treatment of Prisoners in CIA custody (Detainee Task Force)

Opportunities

Positions: Policy Officer (Privacy International)

Positions: Natural Resources and Human Rights Director, Global Rights, Washington, DC

Call for Papers: Health Policy and Systems in Emerging Economies

Call for Papers: The Legitimacy and Effectiveness of International Criminal Tribunals

Call for Papers: Creation of International Law

Internship: Scientific Responsibility, Human Rights and Law (AAAS)

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