February 2018

HIGHLIGHTS

Attending the AAAS Annual Meeting? AAAS staff member Theresa Harris will moderate two sessions (both Sunday, February 18): Estimating the Prevalence of Human Trafficking in the United States and Science and Technology: Opportunities to Make an Impact.

AAAS Statement on Scientific Freedom and Responsibility in Haitian Creole (Kreyòl) Thank you to Drs. Michel DeGraff (Linguistics Society of America) and Serge Madhere (MIT-Haiti Initiative) for translating the statement into Haitian Creole (Kreyòl). Downloadable posters

QUICK LINKS

AAAS EVENTS
February 18, 2018
Austin, Texas
AAAS Annual Meeting
Estimating the Prevalence of Human Trafficking in the United States

July 12-13, 2018
Washington, DC
AAAS Headquarters
AAAS Science and Human Rights Coalition Meeting

OTHER EVENTS
February 20, 2018
Pisa, Italy
Scuola Superiore Sant’Anna
Health Systems
are available through the statement’s online resource portal.

**Call for Nominations** From February 15, the AAAS will be accepting nominations for the 2018 AAAS Scientific Freedom and Responsibility Award. The award is presented annually to honor scientists and engineers whose exemplary actions have fostered scientific freedom and responsibility. The deadline for nominations is August 1, 2018.

**Human Rights in STEM Education** Thank you to those who attended the Coalition meeting on Human Rights in STEM Education either in-person or by Livestream. If you attended the meeting, please take a moment to fill out this five-minute survey to let us know what you thought. Recordings of the welcoming remarks, plenary sessions and closing remarks will be uploaded to the event website in the coming weeks. Mark your calendars for the next Coalition meeting, which will be held July 12-13, 2018.

**Sign-On Statement of Support for Greek Statistician**
The American Statistical Association issued a statement and press release on January 10, 2018, calling on Greek authorities to halt legal proceedings against

**Call for Abstracts:** APHA’s 2018 Annual Meeting & Expo – Human Rights Forum (American Public Health Association)

**Call for Input:** Submissions from Indigenous Peoples (The Office of the UN High Commissioner for Human Rights)

**Job:** Director of Strategic Impact and Campaigns (EarthRights International)

**Job:** Associate Director: Ethics, Technology, and Human Rights (Business for Social Responsibility)

**Job:** Tobacco Campaign Director (Corporate Accountability)

**Fellowship:** Fellowship for Threatened Scholars (IIE-Scholar Rescue Fund)
Andreas Georgiou, former head of the Hellenic Statistical Authority (ELSTAT) and his colleagues, who corrected inaccurate and misleading data about Greece’s deficit and debt. The letter remains open for additional sign-ons.

Voting Districts and Gerrymandering: Preparing for 2020 In a joint statement, the American Statistical Association and the American Mathematical Society have issued a statement and prepared a fact sheet that shares information on voting districts and gerrymandering. Further, the two scientific organizations offered their collective expertise to help American citizens, courts and policy makers to assist in strengthening American democracy.

Call for Volunteers: Human Rights and the Environment
One of the most common requests for support through On-call Scientists is for hydrologists/hydrogeologists, ecologists, mining engineers, and similar fields in environmental science and engineering. Human
rights groups rely on these experts to conduct field tests, write desk reports, analyze environmental impact assessments, and make recommendations for mitigation and restoration.

The roster of On-call Scientists volunteers includes experts in these fields, but we need to increase the depth and breadth of expertise available. If you are interested, please complete a volunteer form online. This is a fantastic opportunity to be a part of efforts to advance human rights at home and around the world. In the process of addressing a science or technology question or need, you also will be helping expand the public’s understanding and appreciation of science and technology in the service of human rights.