**Symposium on the follow-up to the Rabat Plan of Action**

"Rabat+5"

6-7 December 2017, Rabat

**Program**

**Wednesday 6 December 2017**

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| 10:30-12:00   | Presentations by co-drafters of the Rabat Plan of Action and of the Beirut Declaration and its 18 commitments on "Faith for Rights"
|               | Moderator: Mr. Ibrahim Salama, *Chief of the Human Rights Treaties Branch at the Office of the UN High Commissioner for Human Rights (OHCHR).* |
|               | ▪ Mr. Heiner Bielefeldt, *former UN Special Rapporteur on freedom of religion or belief (2010-2016).* |
|               | ▪ Ms. Agnes Callamard, *UN Special Rapporteur on extrajudicial, summary or arbitrary executions.* |
|               | ▪ Mr. Ahmed Shaheed, *UN Special Rapporteur on freedom of religion or belief.* |
|               | ▪ Ms. Nahla Haidar, *Member of the UN Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination Against Women.* |
|               | ▪ Mr. Abdelwahab Hani, *Member of the UN Committee Against Torture.* |
|               | ▪ Mr. Melhem Khalaf, *Member of the UN Committee on the Elimination of Racial Discrimination.* |
| 12:00-13:00   | Discussion                                                                |
| 13:00-15:00   | Lunch break                                                               |
| 15:00-16:00   | The role of States, including State religious authorities:                |
|               | Presentations and lessons learned from their respective national experiences related to the Rabat and Beirut standards. |
|               | Moderator: Mr. Emre Uygun, *Counsellor at the Permanent Mission of Turkey to the United Nations Office in Geneva.* |
### 16:00-17:00
**The role of national human rights institutions and regional organizations:**
Presentations and lessons learned from their respective national experiences.

**Moderator:** Mr. Mohamed Essabbar, *Secretary General of the National Human Rights Council of Morocco.*
- Presentations by national human rights institutions and regional organizations (European Union Fundamental Rights Agency; OSCE Office for Democratic Institutions and Human Rights)
- Discussion

### 17:00-18:00
**The role of faith-based civil society:**
Presentations and lessons learned from their respective national experiences.

**Moderator:** Ms. Zainah Anwar, *Director of the global movement Musawah.*
- Presentations by civil society organizations
- Discussion

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**Thursday 7 December 2017**

### 9:00-11:00
**Brainstorming on support for future projects by the various stakeholders**

**Moderator:** Mr. Herschel Gluck, *President of Shomrim in Stamford Hill, chairman of the Arab-Jewish Forum and chairman of the Muslim-Jewish Forum.*

Outline of suggested projects and areas of future cooperation on combatting discrimination on the basis of religion and enhancing the role of faith-based actors in the defence of human dignity. Presentations by civil society organizations:

- Mr. Melhem Khalaf, Lebanon
- Mr. Ismail Zien, OHCHR Regional Office for Middle East and North Africa
- Ms. Katherine Cash, Sweden
- Mr. Masimba Kuchera, Zimbabwe
- Ms. Elizabeth O’Casey, Belgium
- Ms. Ani Zonneveld, United States of America
- Mr. Andrew Smith, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland
- Ms. Tahmina Rahman, Bangladesh
- Ms. Salpy Eskidjian, Cyprus
- Mr. Yehuda Stolov, Israel
- Mr. Thomas Schirrmacher, Germany
- Ms. Zainah Anwar, Malaysia
- Ms. Diane Alai, Switzerland
- Mr. Abdelwahab Hani, Tunisia
- Mr. John Graz, France
- Mr. W. Cole Durham Jr., United States of America
Outline of a possible inventory of relevant actors and projects

Moderator: Mr. Ibrahim Salama, Chief of the Human Rights Treaties Branch at the Office of the UN High Commissioner for Human Rights

- Mr. Said Hammamoun, Co-founder of the project EMHOTEP, Université de Montréal (CRDP/CÉRIUM), “Faith for Rights” Platform.

Such an inventory/database could help identifying existing gaps, define capacity building approaches and facilitate networking.

Lunch break

Synthesis of the role of States, NHRIs and NGOs in follow-up to the Rabat Plan of Action and the Beirut Declaration on “Faith for Rights”

Moderator: Ms. Nazila Ghanea, Associate Professor in International Human Rights Law at the University of Oxford.


Coffee break

Concluding session

- Presentation by Mr. Philippe Poinsot, UN Resident Coordinator and UNDP Resident Representative in Morocco
- Tour de table of civil society expectations from States and the United Nations
- Concluding remarks by Mr. Ibrahim Salama, Office of the UN High Commissioner for Human Rights
- Chairman’s final statement of the Rabat+5 Symposium, read by Mr. Abderrazak Rouwane, Secretary-General of the Interministerial Delegation for Human Rights of the Kingdom of Morocco