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# LETTER FROM THE CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Over the past decade, HIA has been an extraordinary success in both fulfilling the vision of its founder, Judy Goldstein, and inspiring young professionals from more than six countries in the principles of universal equality, human dignity, the rights of minorities, and the necessity to make governments responsible. The vision is that this inspiration will last a lifetime and enable the Fellows, each in their own unique way, to change the dynamics of power to serve these principles.

Like many of us who have been attracted to HIA, I have been astonished with the power of the Fellowship programs to inspire. HIA's mission—to build moral leaders for the future—requires that we continue to provide inspiration, guidance and support to the Senior Fellows in the coming years and decades as they assume the reins of leadership in their chosen fields. To that end, the Board of Directors has embarked upon a Strategic Planning Program to build the structure for that support and attract the long-term stable funding for it. 2006 has been a milestone in the establishment of this great organization. 2007 will be the beginning of its maturation process. On behalf of the Board, I am grateful to all who have contributed and encouraged HIA. We can all look forward to a very impressive time ahead.

Michael Th. Johnson Chairman of the Board of Directors 3



## LETTER FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

In a burst of ambitious expansion, HIA organizations in France, Poland and America started core programs in 2006. They introduced historical, cultural, racial and religious issues, which advanced the learning and interactions in the established Danish, Dutch and German programs. Altogether, there were 146 Fellows (including several from Eastern and Central Europe), as well as program directors, and coordinators, national boards, lecturers and host families, who made the programs an immense success. The ever-increasing involvement of Senior Fellows—as interns, organizers of public events, speakers in the core programs and fund-raisers for HIA—proves that HIA has a dynamic and demanding life beyond the summer programs.

The expansion has come at a critical time in Europe and the United States when tensions over immigration, integration, assimilation, security, religious, ethnic, racial and national identities have come to the forefront of political debate. The six countries that host HIA programs differ vastly, but none is immune to the historic and contemporary burdens of minority issues that affect domestic and international spheres. The HIA formula of concentrating on past and present becomes more urgent and complex each year as societies in transition configure their histories on minority issues—sometimes through idealized myths of heroism and/or victimization—to justify and reinforce present policies.



Photo courtesy of Irene Hizme

A searing sadness of loss hangs over the accompanying picture of Irene Hizme and her brother Rene Slotkin—twins who miraculously survived Auschwitz. In the moving documentary "Rene and I," Irene's last words and judgment speak directly to HIA: "The road to Auschwitz is paved in silence." Engagement in minority issues requires knowledge, individual and collective responsibility, realism, idealism, courage and action. They encompass the HIA mandate.

Judith S. Goldstein Executive Director

### MISSION STATEMENT

### Mission

Founded in 1997, Humanity in Action fulfills its mission to guide student leaders in the study and work of human rights by:

- Engaging younger generations in histories of resistance and inspiring them to fulfill their moral responsibilities to protect those in danger from institutionalized violations of minority rights;
- Strengthening the commitment of American and European university students to democratic values and fostering their knowledge of resistance to intolerance—past and present;
- Facilitating an ongoing, trans-Atlantic dialogue about the challenges that democratic societies encounter as they
  experience new degrees and forms of diversity.

### Core Values

HIA believes that an important test of a genuine democracy is how it treats its racial, ethnic and religious minorities, and that the commitment to democratic values and the protection of minorities cannot be taken for granted in the United States and Europe.

Therefore, HIA seeks to engage younger generations in histories of resistance and to inspire them to fulfill their moral responsibilities to protect those in danger from institutionalized violations of minority rights. It seeks to strengthen the commitment of American and European university students to democratic values and foster their knowledge of resistance to intolerance—past and present.

The Holocaust, the most devastating example of human failure in the denial of rights to minorities, is the starting point for HIA. But HIA moves beyond the pathology of evil to explore the little studied norms of decency and human triumphs. Examples of moral rectitude and defiance of evil, resistance to institutionalized discrimination are central to all HIA inquiries. Concentrating on historic and contemporary examples of protection of minorities, HIA seeks to identify the conditions and mechanisms under which people act according to the highest moral principles and to encourage university students to become morally responsive citizens.



Fellows in the 2006 European Programs

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# BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The Board of Directors, based in the United States, is ultimately responsible for all aspects of HIA's international activity. Its membership represents a broad spectrum of interests, backgrounds and capacities.

National Executive Boards govern HIA activities within each of the five participating European countries.

In addition, National Planning and Advisory Boards assist the program directors in shaping and evaluating the programs.

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## DENMARK

Denmark's international image as a tolerant and well-respected human rights advocate was tested after the printing of 12 cartoons of the prophet Mohammad in the newspaper Jyllandsposten. The crisis about the Muhammad cartoons played a major part in the opening program at Krogerup Folk High school. Many prominent speakers joined 106 HIA Fellows from the US, Holland, France, Poland, Germany, Georgia, Bosnia, Bulgaria, Belarus, Romania and Ukraine to discuss freedom of speech, respect for minorities and religions, and the challenges of the future.

The "Muhammad affair" was the centre of much debate during the core program as well, in which 10 Danish, 9 American and 2 Georgian Fellows participated. Among the program highlights were visits to the refugee camp of Sandholm, to Hellig Kors school at Nørrebro, which has a high percentage of students from immigrant families, The Rehabilitation Centre for torture victims and the Danish Institute for Human Rights.

The action plans that Fellows carry out following the core program aim to inform and push the debates on minority and human rights issues. Two examples from this year's Danish Core Program demonstrate the action that Humanity in Action programs inspire. Ditte Marie Munch-Hansen is assembling an anthology of fiction from 13 countries of immigrants and refugees in Denmark. The project is supported by the Danish Refugee Council and will be published by Gyldendal. A meeting with movie director Ove Nyholm during the Core Program inspired Ilham Ali's project, "19 years after Halabja." Ali and Nyholm are now collaborating on a documentary about the Kurdish village of Halabja, which was devastated by chemical attacks by Saddam Hussein in 1988.

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The Humanity in Action Summer Program provides the circumstances required for finding or challenging ones own positions. Being confronted with different powerful arguments and comparative reflection engages us in the continuous process of deciding where we stand and how opinion can be translated into action.

-Laura Kieler

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# HIA-DENMARK PROGRAMS

### Opening Program for Fellows in the Danish, Dutch, French, German and Polish Programs

June 3	"Welcome," Uffe Stormgaard, Chair of HIA Denmark
	"What is HIA?" Judith Goldstein, Executive Director of HIA
June 4	"Mass Media and Democracy," Thomas Christensen, Danish Foreign Ministry
	<ul> <li>"The Role of the Mass Media in Today's Democracy," Michael Jarlner, Foreign Editor, Politiken</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>"The Freedom of Speech and Ethics: How Do We Move Ahead?" Kim Hundevadt, journalist, Jyllands-Posten</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Responses by: Martin Krasnik, journalist, Weekend-Avisen; Sherin Khankan, author and member of Critical Muslims;</li> </ul>
	Mona Omar, Egyptian Ambassador; Michael Jarlner, Foreign Editor, Politiken
June 5	• "Diversity—The Challenge in Europe," Ronald Noble, Secretary General, Interpol
	<ul> <li>"The History of Terror and How to React to it as a Society," Lars Erslev Andersen, Researcher</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>"Personal Freedom and National Security," Birgitte Kofod Olsen, researcher, Danish Institute for Human Rights</li> </ul>
	Movie: "1:1" by Anette K. Olsen
June 6	• "Towards a European model of minority integration - failures and successes" Panel Discussion by: Uffe Stormgaard, Chair
	of HIA Denmark; Cornelia Schmalz-Jacobsen, Chair of HIA Germany; Ruth Oldenziel, Chair of HIA Holland; Michael
	Johnson, Chair of HIA; Patrick Weil, Chair of HIA France
	Visit Louisiana Museum

### Danish Core Program

June 8	"The Danish Political System," Thomas Larsen, Political Editor, Berlingske Tidende
	"The Danish Legal System," Prof. Ms. Eva Smith
	"The Danish Welfare State," Peter Abrahamson
June 9	"Danish Cooperation Policy During the War," Jorgen Kieler, resistance fighter
	+ "The History of Human Rights," Prof. Mr. Isi Foighel
June 10	Guided Tour of Christiania by Niels West
June 12	<ul> <li>Movie: "The Anatomy of Evil," Discussion with Mr. Ole Nvholm, Movie Director and Mr. Phil Clarke, Director of Medicins sans Frontieres"</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>"The Aftermath of Holocaust and Genocides in general" Mr. Torben Jørgensen, Researcher</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Dafur and the International Community" Ms. Olga Ege and Ms. Solvej Berlau, Senior Fellows</li> </ul>
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June 13	<ul> <li>"Political Islam and the Quest for Liberal Democracy in the Societies of the Middle East," Garba Diallo, Director,</li> <li>International Peoples College</li> </ul>
June 14	Visit Rehabilitation Center for Torture Victims, with Dr. Lise Worm
	· "Homosexuals and Minority Rights," Mr. Søren Laursen, The National Association for Gays and Lesbians.
	<ul> <li>"The Ever-changing Work with Refugees," Mr. Andreas Kamm, Secretary General, Danish Refugee Council</li> </ul>
June 15	Visit to Helligkors Skole
	"Danish Integration in Primary Schools," Klaus Mygind, Principal
	<ul> <li>"What Happened to Danish Integration Policy?" Rushy Rashid, journalist</li> </ul>
	"Minorities in Denmark and the Role of The Media" Mr. Tøger Seidenfaden, Chief Editor
	"Danish Immigration Policies," Rikke Hvilshøj, Minister of Integration
June 16	<ul> <li>"Fundamental and Human Rights of Persons with Disabilities," Holger Kallehauge, High Court Judge</li> </ul>
	Visit Red Cross Sandholmleiren (refugee camp), discussion with Susanne Lorentzen, Director
June 17	Guided Tour Amalienborg, Palace of Christian VII by Merete Flinth
June 19	A tour of the Copenhagen City Court, Ms. Nina Melchior
	The Copenhagen City Court," Mr. Soren Axelsen, President
	"Islam, Freedom of Religion, Freedom of Expression—The Mohammad Cartoons revisited," Mr. Tim Jensen, Lecturer
	Does Religion have an impact in our Society," Mr. Michael Rothstein, Lecturer
June 20	Visit Kastaniehuset (Home for disintegrated girls of other ethnicity than Danish)
	Meeting Ms. Inge Loua, Psychologist and Director  (B) Ind. (B) Inge Loua, Psychologist and Director  (C) Ind. (B) Inge Loua, Psychologist and Director  (C) Inge Loua, Psychologist and Director
	"Politics in Art and Culture," Mr. Marco Evereste, artist     "The Grant And Culture," Mr. Marco Evereste, artist
	+ "The Story Behind GAM3," Simon Prahm
June 21	+ "The Danish Institute for Human Rights," Mr. Morten Kjærum, Director
June 30	Presentation of Reports
July 1—3	Closing Program, Berlin

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After . . . the core summer programs, the Fellows have great opportunities to proceed in the field of human rights.

-David Norakia

# 2006 DANISH PROGRAM REPORTS

"Democratic Kindergarten: The Copenhagen Integration Council and Ethnic Minority Representation in the Danish Democracy"

Rikke Enggaard Olsen & Robbie Whelan

"Return to Sender: Danish Refugee Policy 1995-2005" Megi Gogishvili & Frej Klem Thomsen

"Keeping the Eye on the Ball: The Diversity and Integration of Denmark's Muslim Communities" Mark Noppen & Vanessa Sanchez

"A Question of Culture and Belonging: Identity and Integration in Denmark"

Ilham Ali, Janepicha Cheva-Isarakul, and Mark Kharas

"The Irresponsible Gatekeeper? Media Discourse on the Immigrant Question in Denmark"

Jeppe Fogtmann, Sarah Loomis, and David Norakia

"The Denmark Worth Protecting"

Jason Blau and Mikkel Jarle Christensen

"Hidden Injustice: Denmark's Insufficient Recognition of Gender-Based Asylum Motives"

Holly Dranginis & Ditte Marie Munch-Hansen

"Conscious Rap, A New Kind of Rebellion: Danish Hip Hop and Its Effect on Minority Youth in Denmark" Dennis Asanovski and Molly Spellman

"Tired of Learning about Christianity: The Mono-Cultural Approach to Education and Integration in Danish Primary Schools"

Laura Kieler and Chelsea Sharon

# DANISH REPORT EXCERPTS

The Irresponsible Gatekeeper?

Media Discourse on the Immigrant Question in Denmark
Jeppe Fogtmann, Sarah Loomis, David Norakia

"I felt strongly in 1937 that Germany was a split country. I feel strongly that Denmark is a split country today." Thus spoke Jørgen Kieler in an interview conducted at his apartment on June 26, 2006. Kieler, a former resistance fighter who was active during the German occupation of Denmark during the Second World War, went on to speak about his multifaceted role in the resistance movement. Certainly, there was sabotage and much work done bringing Danish

Jews by boat across to Sweden. Yet, there is a third element to the resistance movement not frequently discussed today: the role of the illegal press. "The illegal press was powerful," says Kieler, especially during a time that held "above all, an ethical question."

While the context surrounding the media today is obviously a far cry from what it was during the German Nazi occupation, it is an interesting example to consider when critically examining the current actions of Danish media. Recently, public debate has become more and more focused on issues surrounding immigrant populations in Denmark. More specifically, the conversations are based on difficulties of how to best deal with the dilemmas of integration. While recent years have brought the question of integration into the light on a national level, it was the now rather infamously titled "Cartoon Crisis" that delivered it into an international forum. Denmark, a small country proud of its history of humanitarian action and successful welfare policies, suddenly bore witness to its own flag being burned in the streets of Iran and Egypt in violent protest to the country's perceived racist tendencies.

# Hidden Injustice: Denmark's Insufficient Recognition of Gender-Based Asylum Motives: A Gendered Look at a Universal Crisis

### Holly Dranginis and Ditte Marie Munch-Hansen

At the end of 2005 there were an estimated 50 million refugees and internally displaced persons worldwide. The rise of refugees is a global crisis being tackled by intergovernmental organizations through international conventions, developed and developing countries attempting to act as safe havens, and domestic governments working to improve the internal threats that force individuals to flee. However, in the effort to combat the refugee crisis, very little attention has been paid to its gendered aspects. 80% of the approximately 50 million refugees in 2005 were women and their children. Often reasons for flight among women are gender-based violations such as rape, sexual assault, and cultural and domestic violence. . . .

One in every five women in the world is raped, and up to five-thousand honor killings were carried out in 2005. Significant under-reporting of gender-based violence means that these statistics are a modest representation of violations aimed at women worldwide. And yet, international and domestic law regarding asylum and refugee status rarely make mention of the specific threats and conditions faced by women in conflict and asylum-seeking processes. The head of the UN Commission for Women commented in 1990 that "the issue of the acknowledgement of refugee women had the biggest negative ratio of rhetoric to reality that it is possible to achieve." In order to address this gap and the overwhelming neglect of gender as an aspect of the refugee crisis, this report analyzes asylum-seeking in Denmark using a gendered lens. We focus on key case studies describing female refugees supplemented by theoretical discussion, shedding light on a largely hidden aspect of the universal refugee crisis.

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### FRANCE

The first HIA summer program in France was a challenge, but it happened, and its intensity exceeded all expectations. In the year following the urban riots of November 2005, there was no dearth of topics to be explored, ranging from the historical legacies of slavery, colonialism, and Vichy, to the present day signs that France is in a social and economic crisis that takes the highest toll on its populations of immigrant descent. Throughout the program, the Fellows were asked to think about the relative merits of the French republican model, with its insistence on equality, universality, and the protection of a strictly secular public space; and encouraged to question whether that model will be capable of ameliorating the pressing questions of integration in the coming years and decades.

The program aspired to introduce the Fellows to the multiple levels of issues with which the French HIA program is concerned: from grass-roots organizations to think tanks, and from the centralized state to corporate initiatives. The speakers invited to the program also provided a diversity of opinion. We were very grateful for the participation of board members Patrick Weil, Mattias Guyomar, Philippe Manière and Laurent Blivet. Discussions were often impassioned and always stimulating. It was France's particular commitment to secularism, made salient in the debate on the banning of the Muslim veil, that brought about the most intense debates among the French and American Fellows. The very relevance of the research topics they eventually chose to explore, and the quality of their analysis, are the best measure of this wonderful success.

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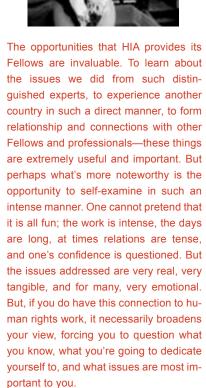
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# HIA-FRANCE PROGRAMS

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### French Core Program

June 3-7	Opening Program, Copenhagen
June 8	+ "Introduction," Anne-Lorraine Bujon, Program Director
	Fellows Presentations:
	"Political Institutions in France"
	"France's History as a Country of Immigration"
	"In the Name of Identity," Amin Maalof
	"French Colonization: Past and Present," Emmanuelle Saada
	"Evolutions of French Immigration Policies," Mattias Guyomar
June 9	Fellows Presentations:
-	"The Overseas Territories"
	"The French Economy"
	Meeting with HIA Senior Fellows
	"The French Educational System"
	<ul> <li>"The Deportation of French Jews: What Does it Mean Today?" Annette Wieviorka</li> </ul>

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The most exciting aspect of the program was confronting different points of view and different backgrounds in an atmosphere of mutual respect and understanding, the opportunity to meet a group of extremely dedicated young people with a great variety of interests. The American Fellows helped me to view my French republican values in a different way. Although I know the differences between the French and the Anglo-Saxon models of integration perfectly well, the criticisms I made prior to my participation in the program were still very French. I now feel more open-minded and I am looking forward to learning more about diversity in democracies.

—Isabelle Khayat

# FRENCH PROGRAM REPORTS

"A Grey Hope: Thin Territorial Identity among French Suburban Youth in Garges and Sarcelles"

Nathanaëlle Quenet, Chloë Duflo and Roshan Patel

"Don't Touch Our Children!: French Citizens Rise in Opposition to the Deportation of Illegal Immigrant Families"

Alice Izumo and Anna Terwiel

"Liberté, Egalité, Fraternité ... Réalité?"

Calum Docherty and Isabelle Khayat

"Muslim or French: The Effects of the Law Banning the Headscarf in French Public Schools"

> Merida Lang, Lisa Montmayeur and Dambudzo Muzenda

"Percentage Based Admission Systems: A Way to Make French Higher Education More Diverse?"

Zachary Neumann and Iver Williksen

"Taking a Stand: Women's Voices in the Suburbs: Three Organizations and their Fight against Violence and Discrimination"

Emily Kenney and Hélène David

"The Opening of the Musée du Quai Branly: Valuing/ Displaying the 'Other' in Post-Colonial France" Agnès Blasselle and Anna F. Guarneri

"White Collars, Black Faces: Corporate Initiative and Prospects for Change in France"

Carole Wai-Hai and Martin Penner

# FRENCH REPORT EXCERPTS

"Don't touch our children!"

French Citizens Rise in Opposition to the Deportation of Illegal Immigrant Families

Alice Izumo and Anna Terwiel

Usually children look forward to the last day of school before the beginning of summer vacation, but this year thousands in France dread what the day could bring. On June 30, as the academic year comes to an end, so too will the temporary protections offered to illegal immigrants whose children were enrolled in French schools over the past year. These families face the risk of arrest and immediate expulsion from the country. To prevent this, thousands of parents, teachers, school administrators, human rights activists, and local government officials have mobilized and united to form a movement that has made headlines in all national and even some international newspapers.

Though they may be uncertain as to the exact number, most European policymakers are certain that there are too many illegal immigrants. In France, the recent tightening of immigration restrictions has been spearheaded by Minister of the Interior Nicolas Sarkozy, a highly controversial political figure with presidential ambitions that may be realized in next year's election. Most recently, Mr. Sarkozy introduced a bill whose goal is to replace "immigration by default" (immigration subie) with "immigration by choice" (immigration choisie). Currently, the vast majority of immigrants are people joining family members already living in France. Mr. Sarkozy would like to limit such family reunification in favor of high-skilled workers, scientific researchers, and academics. The part of the bill that sanspapiers are most directly concerned with is the revocation of the existing policy of automatic regularization for people who entered the country illegally but have lived in France for ten years.

The Opening of the Musée du Quai Branly: Valuing/Displaying the "Other" in Post-Colonial France

Agnès Blasselle and Anna F. Guarneri

On June 23rd, the posh 7ème arrondissement in Paris was crowded with visitors as usual, though this time most were not tourists coming to see the Musée d'Orsay or the Eiffel Tower, but French men and women flocking to the public opening of Jacques Chirac's presidential project finally realized—the new Musée du Quai Branly. It was quite a scene. The view of the building from the street was striking, with its glass façade, colored cubes protruding from the second story, and a "vertical garden" growing on the exterior wall. Security guards in headsets and employees in purple suits directed the crowd, while video cameras and journalists conducting informal interviews outside added to the commotion.

Though most people present for this spectacle would call it a success, the opening of the Quai Branly was actually the culmination of a decade-long, 232 million euro project steeped in history and surrounded by controversy. Impressive as the turnout was, the opening tells a much deeper, more complex story when analyzed in its broader social and political context. As we will show, connecting the museum and the flurry surrounding its opening to the ancient colonial empire and to the riots of November 2005 reveals important questions about French identity, minority politics, and the valuing of art and people. These questions and their answers are difficult to tease out, but crucial to understanding France's battle with its "Other" on a domestic front.

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## **GERMANY**

The 2006 German Program was influenced and enriched in many ways by the diversity of its participants. Out of the twenty Fellows, two were Bulgarian, one Greek, one Portuguese-Taiwanese and a number of participants had family roots in India, Poland or Turkey. The Fellows' ethnic, cultural and religious backgrounds, as well as their expertise in various fields of studies, nurtured lively discussions on historic and contemporary human and minority rights issues in Germany. With great interest the Fellows visited the Memorial to the Murdered Jews of Europe and discussed German commemoration policy with regard to various victim groups, such as Jews, women, homosexuals, and Sinti and Roma.

A desperate cry for help by the teachers of the Berlin Ruetli-School, a school with a high percentage of immigrant students, stimulated a nationwide debate on educational integration of immigrants in Germany in spring 2006. The Berlin program focused on how educational policy addresses the needs of immigrant school children by visiting the Heinrich-von-Stephan-Oberschule, a school that faced the same difficulties some twenty years ago and has successfully overcome them.

Another focus was contemporary Jewish life in Germany. Stephan Kramer, general secretary of the Central Council of Jews, delivered one of the most provocative presentations. His talk was one of the highlights, although (or maybe because) it caused many students to disagree with the speaker.

The 2006 program was the fifth German core program. Since 2002 the community of Senior Fellows in Germany has grown significantly. Senior Fellows strongly participated throughout the whole summer program, shared their internship experiences and reported on projects that they pursued since their own participation.

The Transatlantic Program of the Government of the Federal Republic of Germany, through funds of the European Recovery Program of the Federal Ministry of Economics and Labour supported an exchange of German and American students as part of the American Core Program. Six German students participated in the American Program and subsequently completed internships in New York and San Francisco; six American students in the program completed internships in Berlin.

The support of many funders encouraged outstanding students to a life-long commitment to civic responsibility and human rights. Thank you!

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Mr. Zahn, a former political prisoner in East Germany, had brought us to his subterranean cell. It was here, in this unnerving and unmistakable setting, that the elderly man recounted stories of isolation and psychological torture that consumed nearly a decade of his life. It was here, in this dark cavity, that he effortlessly recited to us-like he used to recite silently to himself—Shakespearean sonnets. It was through poetry and differential equations, he explained, that he was able to maintain clarity and sanity, and save himself from the Stasi regime.

-Benjamin Klein



There it was—the realities and challenges of contemporary minority relations and international politics, standing two feet in front of me.

-Brett Stark

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# HIA-GERMANY PROGRAMS

### German Core Program

June 3-7	Opening Program, Copenhagen
June 8	Guided Tours of Berlin
	Meeting with the German Senior Fellows
	Dinner with Members of the German Board
June 9	Visit the Memorial to the Murdered Jews of Europe
	"Contested Memories of a Difficult Past" Panel Discussion with:
	Albert Eckert, "Initiative Der homosexuellen NS-Opfer gedenken"
	Mathias Heyl, Memorial Site Ravensbrück
	Peter Widmann, Center for Studies of Anti-Semitism
	Workshop on Action Plans
June 12	Guided Tour and Discussion of the Hohenschönhausen Monument, Hans-Eberhard Zahn
	"The Politics of Commemorating the East German Past," Siegfried Reiprich
	<ul> <li>"Human Rights in Germany, Past and Present," Wolfgang Heinz &amp; Claudia Lohrenscheid, Deutsches Instit für</li> </ul>
	Menschenrechte; Wolfgang Büttner, Human Rights Watch
	Film: "11 und 12," with discussion by Till Harms, Director

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June 13	"Germany's Way Towards an Immigration Country," Antje Scheidler, Program Director, HIA Germany
	Discussion with Ulrich Raiser, Office of the Berlin Commissioner for Integration and Migration
	"Muslims in Europe: Toward Integration or Segregation?" Nils Minkmar, Frankfurter Allgemeine Sonntagszeitung
	Action Plans Workshop
June 14	• School Visit in an Immigrant Neighborhood, followed by discussion with Barbara John, Commissioner of the Berlin Senate
	for German Language Support of Immigrant Children, and Karin Jaeger, teacher
	• "What Holds a Society Together? The Role of Citizenship, Integration Policy and the Media" Discussion with Jürgen Kaube,
	Frankfurter Allgemeine Zeitung, and Ismahan Alboga, Rundfunk Berlin Brandenburg
	"Germany's Integration Policy," Peter Altmaier, Parliamentary State Secretary at the Ministry of Interior
June 15	• "The German Government's Human Rights Work," Arvid Enders, Office of the Federal Commissioner for Human Rights
	Policy and Humanitarian Aid
	Visit to the Jewish High School, discussion with students and teachers
	• "Russian-Jewish Immigration: General Analysis and Personal Perspective," Sergey Lagodinsky, GPPI Fellow and Advisor to
	the Director of the AJC, Berlin
	• "Jewish Life in Germany," Stefan Kramer, General Secretary of the Central Committee of Jews in Germany
June 16	"Films and Discussion about Queer Life in Germany," Rosa von Praunheim, filmmaker
	Guided Tour of Soldiner Strasse District and Discussion by Alexandra Kast, Quartiersmanagment
June 17	Canoeing on the River Havel
June 22	"Democracy Matters," Cornel West, Princeton University
June 30	Presentation of Reports
	Farewell Party, with Zafer Senocak, author
July 1-3	Closing Program, Berlin

### Closing Program for Fellows in the Danish, German and Polish Programs

July 2	 Presentation of Country Reports
jury 2	The Conflict in the Middle East," Herbert Pundik
	<ul> <li>"New Wine in Old Bottles or Old Wine in New Bottles? European Minority Issues in Comparative Perspective," Rainer Ohliger, European Associate Director, HIA</li> </ul>
July 3	• Film: "Behind Words" (on forced migration in 20th century Europe), followed by discussion with John Burgan, Director
	<ul> <li>Concluding Remarks, Cornelia Schmalz-Jacobsen, Chair, HIA Germany</li> <li>Farewell Party</li> </ul>

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# GERMAN PROGRAM REPORTS

"Welcoming the Welcomed: The Challenge of Integration in the Berlin Educational System"

Amish Dave, Bistra Ivanova and Ali Sutton

"A New Start or More of the Same? The U.N. Human Rights Council & the Response of International NGOs in Germany"

Pau-y Chow and Benjamin Klein

"Safe Country' Lists: A Threat to International Human Rights?"

Vladimir Kogan, Constanze Quosh and Michael Wittig

"Living in the Shadows: Illegal Immigration in Germany" Natalie Jesionka and Jonathan Schulze

"You can say anything in Germany!' An Exploration of the Right to Freedom of Speech in Germany"

Celia Gomez, Gerrit Reininghaus and Brett Stark

"Let's Elope: Using the Arts in Urban Planning and Social Integration"

Aditi Mehta, Alina Shabashevich, and Eleni Vossou

"Majority of the Minorities: The Role of Turkish Immigrant Associations in the Process of Integration in Germany" Maria Spirova and Hüsrev Akaslan "Germany's Schools at Risk: Are We Raising the Next Generation of Welfare Recipients?"

Diana Aurisch and Elizabeth Rossi

# GERMAN REPORT EXCERPTS

A New Start or More of the Same?

The United Nation Human Rights Council and the Response of International NGOs in Germany
Pau-y Chow and Benjamin Klein

The global campaign for human rights witnessed unprecedented development in the twentieth century, evidenced by the enormous body of international human rights law and standards adopted since the Second World War. The lessons of our past and the natural search for balance, intercultural understanding and multilateral consensus resulted in the creation of the United Nations, now the preeminent international organization responsible for facilitating cooperation in international law, international security, economic development and social equality. Emerging alongside the United Nations were influential non-governmental organizations (NGOs), notably Human Rights Watch and Amnesty International, key architects and protectors in the campaign for human rights.

Beginning June 19, 2006, 61 years after the foundation of the United Nations and nearly 60 years since the formation of the United Nations Commission on Human Rights, the world entered a new, yet uncertain chapter in the history of human rights. As the United Nations dissolves the former Commission and ushers in the Human Rights Council, we must question whether such structural reforms will better protect the vulnerable, victimized and oppressed, and how the work of other human rights institutions, namely NGOs, will be impacted by such changes. In this report, we evaluate the United Nations reforms through the lens of international NGOs, academic experts, and United Nations officials, focusing specifically on the work of individuals and organizations operating in Germany.

# Welcoming the Welcomed The Challenge of Integration in the Berlin Educational System

Amish Dave, Bistra Ivanova, and Ali Sutton

The guards outside the Hotel Adlon brandish magnificent smiles as they hold open the doors to the famous establishment for a stream of visitors. The European Union information center entices tourists on Unter den Linden by offering free soccer balls to anyone who can win a game of soccer. Waitresses at the Café de France serve flan and beer to a crowd of Brazilian soccer aficionados who praise Berlin while dancing to the beats of an imported samba band. From atop every building, the once conspicuously-absent German flag waves proudly besides a plethora of international flags. In preparation for the thousands of foreigner travelers who stroll down the Berlin "Fan Mile" to celebrate the victories of their favorite teams during the FIFA 2006 World Cup, Germany has prepared a vigorous welcoming.

Many Turks who were interviewed felt that politicians and the media too often saw the integration of immigrants as a problem, not a challenge. From the end of the Second World War until 1973, chronically labor-deprived West German companies contracted thousands of unskilled Turkish guest workers. However, the initial welcome for the migrant influx proved short-lived as economic difficulties in the 1970s and the collapse of the Berlin Wall led to an evaporation of jobs, even as new immigrants continued to arrive in Germany. With over 120,000 Turks in Berlin in 2005, many in the city are attempting to better integrate a population that is unwelcome and unsupported by large elements of German society.



Not for the faint-hearted. It is set up to unite passionate young thinkers from both sides of the Atlantic and really push them to their intellectual limits. Putting together Americans, Germans and Eastern Europeans and challenging them to work through their own cultural differences and political persuasions is what HiA is all about. There is no other place like Berlin-so vividly marked by the turbulent history of Europe and bearing such frank witness to everything that went wrong and everything generations endeavored to do to make it right again. From Checkpoint Charlie to Kreuzberg (a famous multicultural neighborhood), the atmosphere in Germany's capital is beckoning you to explore ethnic issues, issues of integration and co-existence.

-Maria Spirova

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# THE NETHERLANDS

Ten students from the United States, ten from The Netherlands, one Romanian and one Bosnian Fellow comprised "Team Amsterdam." Participants hailed from a wide selection of schools, studying a range of topics—history, anthropology, law, social sciences, public administration, language and religion. Fellows had roots in Latin and North America, Asia, Africa and Europe.

The students followed a demanding program of excursions, lectures and discussions focusing on the position of minorities in The Netherlands today. Our starting point was the Holocaust, featuring impressive lectures from participants in the resistance movement and survivors of persecution.

The integration of Muslims is a hot item in every European country today, and was discussed extensively. With three Muslim women among the Fellows, this topic was not merely theoretical. Differences in the role of religion in American and Dutch society were also discussed at length.

Recently, the revocation of a Dutch passport for MP and former refugee Ayaan Hirsi Ali and a fire that led to the death of illegal migrants detained in Schiphol Airport made front-page news domestically and internationally. Discussions about the treatment of asylum seekers in The Netherlands and a visit to an Asylum Seekers Center stimulated two important reports by Fellows on the detention of illegal migrants and children.

In September, Fellows presented their action plans; two have already been realized. In October Fellows organized a Ramadan dinner to promote understanding between Muslims and non-Muslims, and in November Fellows organized a soccer tournament for children living in an Asylum Seekers Center and children from the surrounding neighborhood.

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HIA . . . transformed me from a consumer into an inspired citizen. . . . More than anything, HIA inspired me to act.

-Matthew Bowlby

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# HIA-THE NETHERLANDS PROGRAMS

### **Dutch Core Program**

June 3-7	Opening Program, Copenhagen
June 8	"Overview of the Program," Anna Timmerman, Program Director
	<ul> <li>Presentations by Fellows: "All You Need to Know about The Netherlands," "Dutch Colonial History and Slavery,"</li> </ul>
	"Perceptions of WWII in The Netherlands,""Bosnia,""Rumania,""Pillarized Society and the Sexual Revolution"
	Reception at the American Consulate
June 9	"The Rescue of Jewish Children," Ms. Cohen and Mr. Matthijssen
	<ul> <li>Guided Tour of a Former Jewish Neighborhood by Merel Baracs, HIA Senior Fellow</li> </ul>
	Guided Tour of Former SS Concentration Camp Vught
June 11	Discussion with Frieda Menco, Holocaust survivor
June 12	Presentations by Fellows: "Islam in The Netherlands," "Eritrea"
	<ul> <li>"The United Nations and (Women's) Human Rights: A Success Story?" Prof. Dr. Cees Flinterman</li> </ul>
	"The Dutch Disease: Gendered and Multicultural Traumas and Dramas," Gloria Wekker

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June 13	+ "What is Ninsee?" Dr. Frank Dragtenstein
	"Race and Racism in The Netherlands," Dr. Dienke Hondius
	Discussion: "How the Dutch See Their Colonial Past"
	<ul> <li>"The Oldest Profession in the World is the Oldest Form of Oppression of Women," Karina Schaapman &amp; Amma Asanto</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>"A Dignified Statue for Anton de Kom," Julian With</li> </ul>
	Visit De Trut, Discussion on LGTB Rights
	Discussion with Education Group COC Amsterdam on Homosexuality
June 14	Visit Anne Frank Foundation
	<ul> <li>"Multiculturality in the Administration of Criminal Justice," Dr. Frank Bovenkerk</li> </ul>
	• "Thoughts of an Idiot on a Day in June," Prem Radhakishun
	<ul> <li>"The Position of Muslim Women in Islam," Ceylan Pektas-Weber</li> </ul>
	Visit to Asylum Seekers Center
June 15	"The Contemporary Extreme Right in The Netherlands," Dr. Jaap van Donnselaar
-	<ul> <li>"Invisible Parents: The Neighborhood of Mohammed B." Margalith Kleijwegt</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>"Foreign Conflicts and National Tensions," Prof. dr. Ruben Gowricharn</li> </ul>
	Visit Äya Sofia Mosque
	<ul> <li>"The Future of Muslims in Amsterdam," Mustafa Hamurcu, Fatih Dag and Canan Uyar</li> </ul>
	Annual HIA Dinner at The Grand
June 16	+ "The Refugee Council," Stefan Kok
-	Meeting with refugee, David Gasparac
	<ul> <li>"Religion: Obstacle or Inspiration in the Fight for Human Rights?" Jeffrey Hochstetler</li> </ul>
June 17	BBQ, hosted by Harry van den Bergh
June 19	Report Writing Workshop, Tino Wallaart, journalist
June 22	• "Fear vs. Fear," Burhan Kum
June 23	"Politics of an Unwanted Pregnancy," Rebecca Gomperts
June 26	Interview with Mient Jan Faber by Anouk Eigenraam
June 30	Presentation of Reports
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	ogram for Fellows in the Dutch and French Programs
July 1	Guided Boat Tour through Amsterdam canals
	"Sixty Years Later," Ed van Thijn
	"Ethnic Cleansing in Former Yugoslavia," Michael Johnson
	Discussion on lectures
July 2	+ Fellows Reports
	+ "Illegal Immigrants"
	Workshop: "Initiatives to Help Improve the Situation of Illegal People
	Workshop: "The Action in Humanity in Action"
July 3	Country Reports
	"With Friends Like These: The Untold Story of International Humanitarian Interventions," Linda Polman



As a second-generation migrant in the Netherlands, I'm not the only minority in this country. There are so many other minorities, each encountering its own struggle for rights. . . . HIA has broadened my view.

-Semra Celebi

# DUTCH PROGRAM REPORTS

"To Hell and Back: Returning to Auschwitz and Moving On after the Holocaust"

Vedran Grahovac and Emmanuelle Herman

"The Elephant in the Room: Unexposed Roots of Islamic Radicalism in The Netherlands" Bradford J. Kelley, Ava Morgenstern and Hanan Naji

"Children Behind Bars: The Treatment of Children of Failed Asylum Seekers in The Netherlands"

> Leah Nevada Page, Vica Rosario Bogaerts and Hector F. Pascual Alvarez

"Residence in the Netherlands: Onboard Bibby Stockholm, Rotterdam Harbor"

Tewelde Gebru Babta and Bita Diomande

"Bringing Down the Ivory Tower: The Future of the Barlaeus Gymnasium in a Multicultural Society" Sabina Varga and Ruben Lindenberg "Among two worlds: Interviews with Veiled Young Women on the Symbolism of the Headscarf in the Netherlands" Semra Çelebi and Pedja Jurisic

"A Clash of Sexualities? Rigid Identities and Widespread Intolerance Worsen the Situation of 'Muslim' Homosexuals in The Netherlands" Raimer Rodrigues Rezende and Lindsay Ruscello

"Humanity Inaction: How a Small Town Preacher Came into the National Spotlight"

Dieuwerke Luiten and Celia Choy

"The Imam Training Debate: The Future of Religion for Dutch Muslims"

Matthew Bowlby and Ben van Impelen

# DUTCH REPORT EXCERPTS

**Humanity Inaction:** 

How a Small Town Preacher Came into the National Spotlight

Dieuwerke Luiten and Celia Choy

The Bible says, the Jew within us is our greatest competitor. The Jew is even more dangerous than the heathen and the

Greek. Because the heathen and the Greek we recognize: the unbeliever and the atheist. But the Jew we don't recognize. He is a "silent killer." He is part of us.

-Reverend Kees Mos, March 13, 2005

These words, delivered by a Dutch pastor one Sunday morning in March last year, set into motion a crisis that would eventually bring the Dutch town of Wassenaar to the attention of the national media, and even of an American white supremacist website. Initially, some members of the community reacted with shock and outrage, but the attitude that prevailed was one of indifference. Many simply did not see the sermon as dangerous, and the church proved ineffectual at answering the concerns of those who did. As the story continued to unfold over the course of the next year, it exposed deep rifts within the community, the institutional inertia of the church, and the lingering ambivalence between Protestants and Jews. How, in the twenty-first century, does an ordinary community cope when a latent prejudice erupts into the open? And how do some people decide to speak out against hate speech at the expense of the harmony of their community?

### Bringing Down the Ivory

Tower: The Future of the Barlaeus Gymnasium in a Multicultural Society

Sabina Varga and Ruben Lindenberg

There is a lively debate in The Netherlands about segregation within the education system. This debate focuses mainly on the huge high schools that exist in immigrant neighborhoods where the students are predominantly of a foreign background. These so-called 'black' high schools are seen by many to offer a more violent atmosphere and substandard education. Because this is seen as the main problem of segregation within the school system, the 'whiteness' of other high schools is never seen as problematic. However, it is our opinion that the segregated atmosphere in white elitist schools is also detrimental to the future of the multicultural society.

In the Dutch high school system there are three different levels of education. At the end of the primary school, the pupils take a test to determine which level of secondary educations suits them best. The Barlaeus, however, is a type of school called gymnasium that lies somewhat outside of this system. It offers the highest level of education complemented by the teaching of the language and culture of ancient Greece and Rome. Furthermore, the Barlaeus is a categorical gymnasium, which means that they only offer this level of education. Its students will therefore never meet children that are very different in terms of intelligence or lifestyle inside the building of the school.

## POLAND

2006 marks the beginning of the Polish Program. To say that it was a challenging and inspiring year is not enough; it was our debut we had to be prepared for either curtain calls or being booed off the stage.



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Ph: +48 605 404 739 Fax: +48 22 751 09 14 The Polish core program was designed as a platform for bridging all sorts of gaps—geographical, mental, political, ideological—at the very crossroads of East and West. In practice this meant not only embracing a range of subjects connected with human and minority rights, but also providing an opportunity for dialogue and discourse for outstanding students from Belarus, Germany, Poland, Ukraine and United States.

Although primarily based in Warsaw, the Fellows also traveled to Auschwitz and Krakow during the program. As the organizers, once the countdown to the program started none of us could have imagined just how powerful the program would actually become.

The Fellows' sense of unity was built upon the foundation of honest discussions, ongoing debates—and sometimes painful confrontations—about challenging human rights and minority issues and preconceived notion about the past and the present. Everyone agreed

that the turning point in the program was the visit to Auschwitz, which was followed by a meeting with an Auschwitz survivor. That experience was, in a word, draining; but it proved that no matter how hard it may seem, apprehension and overly-polite silence are not solutions.

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-Vasyl Kvartiuk

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# HIA-POLAND PROGRAM

### Polish Core Program

June 3-7	Opening Program, Copenhagen
June 8	<ul> <li>Welcome by: Prof. Dariusz Stola, Vice-President of Collegium Civitas; Hilary Fuller Renner, US Embassy in Poland, Cultural Affairs Section; Monika Mazur-Rafał, Program Director, HIA Poland</li> <li>Fellows' Presentations: "Turning Points in Polish History,""The Polish Political System &amp; The System of Human Rights Protection," "Ethnic Composition of Polish Society: From Diversity to Homogeneity," "Polish Foreign Policy and Human Rights: Interrelations and Challenges"</li> <li>Workshop on Research Projects and Action Plans</li> </ul>
June 9	<ul> <li>"History of Human and Minority Rights in Poland: Perspectives on the Past," Agnieszka Mikulska &amp; Maciej Nowicki, Helsinki Foundation for Human Rights</li> <li>"Contemporary Minority Issues: The Current Situation of Minorities and Polish State's Role in Assisting Minorities to Preserve Their Identity," Dobiesław Rzemieniewski, Ministry of Interior and Administration</li> </ul>

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June 9	"The Situation of the Roma Minority in Poland," Prof. Dr. Ewa Nowicka-Rusek, Institute of Sociology, Warsaw University						
(continued)	"Forced Displacements in Central-Eastern Europe after the Second World War: Dealing with the Difficult Past—     "By G. D. Killer, "The Government of the Control of t						
	Challenges for Historical Narratives," Prof. Dr. Klaus Ziemer, German Historical Institute						
	"Xenophobia, Racism, Homophobia and Discrimination: Challenges for Contemporary Poland" Panel Discussion with:						
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June 10	Guided Tour of Warsaw						
June 11	Guided Tour of the Jewish Historical Institute by Dr. Eleonora Bergman, Vice Director						
	"Contemporary Relations between Poles and Jews: Integration, Discrimination and Dialogue" Panel Discussion with:						
	Konstanty Gebert, journalist, Gazeta Wyborcza and Midrasz; Anna Bikont, journalist Gazeta Wyborcza; Joanna						
	Wiszniewicz, Jewish Historical Institute						
	· "The History of Jews in Polish Society: Insiders, Outsiders and In-Betweens," Dr. Alina Cała, Jewish Historical Institute						
	Visit Warsaw Rising Museum						
June 13	Visit Auschwitz						
-	Meeting with Kazimierz Smoleń, Auschwitz Survivor						
	<ul> <li>Discussion facilitated by Dr Joan Ringelheim, Director of the Department of Oral History, Research Institute</li> </ul>						
	of the United States Holocaust Memorial Museum						
June 14	"The Role of the Catholic Church in Polish Society," Henryk Woźniakowski, President, Znak Publishing House						
<b>,</b>	"Equal Rights for Women and Men: Fact or Fiction?" Sławomira Walczeewska, President, eFKa Foundation						
June 15	Guided Tour of Cracow						
	Watch Corpus Christi Procession						
June 16	Presentation of the Karta Center and Viewing the Exhibition "20th Century Europe: Faces of Totalitarianism" Michał						
-	Świetlik, Karta Center/History Meeting House						
	"Fight for Human Rights during the Socialist Regime from the Perspective of a Political Activist," Dr. Janusz Onyszkiewicz						
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June 19	"Current Migration Trends," Dr. Marek Kupiszewski, Director, Central European Forum for Migration Research						
-	"Ukrainians in Poland," Marta Kindler, Center for Migration Research						
	• "Towards a (Future) Country of Immigration: Political and Economic Implications" Panel with: Dr. Radosław Wróbel,						
	Department for International Cooperation, Office for Repatriation and Aliens; Anna Kicinger, Central European Forum fo						
	Migration Research						
	"Asylum Seekers in Poland" Panel with: Agnieszka Kosowicz, UNHCR; Prof. Dr. Irena Rzeplińska, Helsinki Foundation						
	for Human Rights; Agnieszka Włodarczyk, Polish Humanitarian Organization						
	Film: "Man of Iron," followed by discussion with Andrzej Wajda, director						
June 20	"Polish Round Table Agreement and the New Polish Democratic System: Successes and Failures of the Transformation						
-	Process," Jakub Boratyński, Director of International Programs, Stefan Batory Foundation						
June 30	Presentation of Reports						
-	Farewell Party						
July 1–3	Closing Program, Berlin						
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We were the first year of the first Eastern European HIA program and the most nationally diverse group in HIA history— trailblazers in every sense of the word. Some of us dove right into the challenge; others of us waded in more tentatively. While few of us came to the table with similar expectations, I believe we all had the same goal: a meaningful cultural and intellectual exchange focused on issues of human rights.

-Jessica Mowles

# POLISH PROGRAM REPORTS

"Center Against Expulsions—Issue of Human Rights or Political Provocation?"

Magdalena Kaj and Frank M. Esser

"Contemporary Discourse on Anti-Semitism in Poland" Dariusz Dybka, Yulia Gogol and Andrew Maki

"From 'Imagined' Homogeneity to National Solidarity?: The Struggle Over Gay Rights in Poland"

Dmytro Chybisov, Joanna Średnicka and Jesse Van Tol

"HIV Positive in Poland: Evolving Activism and Everyday Life"

Vasyl Kvartiuk, Claire Lauterbach and Justyna Szewczyk

"Love Your Neighbor, But Not Too Much: Political and Religious Involvement: Within Sex Education in Polish Public Schools"

Susanne Heuck, Jessica Mowles and Aleksandra Puchta

"'Tolerated Stay': A Tolerable Policy?: On Chechen Refugees and 'Tolerated Persons' in Poland" Olivia Andrzejczak, Katerina Barushka and Elena Wasylew

"Too Cool for School? The Education of the Roma Minority in Poland"

Kimberly Ang, Kinga Sielicka and Christine van Kan

# POLISH REPORT EXCERPTS

### Contemporary Discourse on Anti-Semitism in Poland

Andrew Maki, Dariusz Dybka, and Yulia Gogol

"It will take two more generations for Polish society to rid itself of anti-Semitism," explains Remigiusz Wlast-Matuszak, over a meaty bowl of soup at a small restaurant north of Warsaw's new old-town. He is a 58 year old journalist, publisher, and sometimes politician, who worked for Solidarity Magazine when the documents revealing the Polish hand in killing Jews in Jedwabne during the Second World War were first uncovered. He has little confidence in the therapeutic value of public discourse on anti-Semitism because of his distrust in the ability of individuals to filter-out the extremist and prejudice-filled information that they are presented with every day.

But not all Poles are willing to sit idly on the sidelines waiting for generations of Poles to die off before Polish society undergoes a process of transformation. Aaron, a Jewish male in his early twenties demands that discourse on anti-Semitism increase in order to ease subsurface tensions that lay unexamined within Polish society today. The tension

that Aaron feels is evidence of his discontent with the Polish narrative as it relates a difficult past to a still difficult present. Even though the old narrative of mythic Polish non-involvement in the Second World War has been dashed by the Jedwabne case, a revised, more nuanced and mature narrative that makes sense of the present remains incomplete.

'Tolerated Stay': A Tolerable Policy?
On Chechen Refugees and 'Tolerated Persons' in Poland
Olivia Andrzejczak, Katerina Barushka and Elena Wasylew

### Refugee Day 2006 Exhibitions and Exchanges

Adam Borowski has no air conditioning in his car. During these sweltering summer days in Warsaw, when pedestrians leave footprints in melted asphalt and the towering silhouette of the Palace of Culture is made opaque by muggy haze, it seems less than reasonable for a man his age. And yet although an aging Borowski could well afford a newer, better, more comfortable car—one with automatic windows and powerful AC vents—he chooses to spend his money elsewhere.

"A new car? For what?" he says, "When I publish, when I make money, I much prefer to spend it on all this." As he speaks he gestures to a series of stomach-turning photos of bloodied faces, children with severed limbs, and carcasses mutilated beyond recognition. They are all captioned with names, dates and places—they are all images of the ongoing conflict between Russia and Chechnya. Borowski, former freedom fighter with Solidarnosc, head of Volumen publishing company and recently-named Honorary Polish Consul for the Chechen Republic of Ichkeria by President Abdul-Halim Sadulajew (who has since been assassinated, June 2006) already presented this display in Copenhagen and, in the coming months, plans to take it to London and Brussels. Today the photos are displayed in a small tent in Agrykola Park in Warsaw—one of several such awareness-raising exhibitions set up for Refugee Day.

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# THE UNITED STATES

In the 2006 Humanity in Action launched the new American Core Program. Thirty-eight college and university students from Denmark, France, Germany, The Netherlands, Poland, and the United States engaged in five intensive weeks studying the ways that Americans understand and practice diversity. Working with experts in a wide variety of professional fields—journalists, educators, lawyers, policy makers, scholars, and artists—these Fellows examined the legal, social, economic and cultural mechanisms by which minorities become, or fail to become, integrated into American society and conditions that regulate relationships between majority and minority populations.

Internships at non-profit and community-based organizations in New York and San Francisco gave the nineteen European Fellows first-hand experience with the potent combination of idealism and pragmatism in American civil society. While the organizations in which Fellows were placed varied greatly in the issues addressed and communities served, all were characterized by the creative use of local resources to address issues in their communities in the best of the American civic tradition.

Meanwhile, six of the American Fellows in the program undertook internships with government and non-government organizations in Berlin through a program administered by HIA-Germany. The purpose of these internships was to increase Fellows' awareness and understanding of European approaches to the integration of minorities and, specifically, the powerful role played by the welfare state.

Heated debates in the United States over immigration, the protection of fundamental rights in an age of terrorism, and the rights and responsibilities of racial, ethnic, and sexual minorities demonstrate the urgent need for young leaders who will approach these persistent issues with fresh perspectives—mindful of the past while crafting new possibilities for the future.

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San Francisco Internship Coordinator: Ted Somers

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Much of the Humanity in Action program is about ideas concerning rightness and wrongness and how you act in situations that you consider wrong. What is the right thing to do when it becomes illegal to feed the homeless in parks? What is the right thing to do when laws make it illegal to help undocumented immigrants?

—Yasemin Balci

# AMERICAN PROGRAM FELLOWS (CONTINUED)

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# HIA-THE UNITED STATES PROGRAMS

### American Core Program

	<u> </u>
July 2	Ellis Island Museum
July 3	<ul> <li>Immigrant Neighborhood Tours Led by Hunter College Students</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>"The Peopling of New York," Deborah Gardner, Special Assistant to the Provost of Hunter College</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Film: "New York: The Power and the People, 1898-1918"</li> </ul>
July 4	African Arts Festival
	<ul> <li>4th of July BBQ &amp; Fireworks</li> </ul>
July 5	Lower East Side Tenement Museum
•	Film: "Alienated: Undocumented Immigrant Youth"
	Discussion with Jen Meagher, EVC Documentary Workshop/YO-TV
July 6	"Immigration Law and Policy Today," Peter Schuck, Professor of Law, Yale
	<ul> <li>"The History of American Immigration," Ari Zolberg, Professor of Political Science, NYU</li> </ul>
	Visit National Dance Institute

July 7	<ul> <li>"The Immigration and Naturalization Process," Alan Kaplan, NY Immigration Coalition</li> <li>"Becoming Americans" Panel Discussion:         John Mollenkopf, Professor of Political Science &amp; Director of the Center for Urban Research, CUNY         Robert Asahina, Author of Just Americans: How Japanese Americans Won a War at Home and Abroad         Judith Goldstein, Executive Director of HIA</li> </ul>						
July 8	<ul> <li>"NY Demographics," Andrew Beveridge, Professor of Sociology, Queens College</li> <li>"The Consequences of U.S. Drug Policies," Arthur Robinson Williams, HIA Senior Fellow</li> </ul>						
July 9	"Not a Genuine Black Man," Performance and Discussion by author and artist, Brian Copeland						
July 10	<ul> <li>"Race and Health" Panel Discussion:         Kai Wright, freelance journalist         Jennifer Klot, Senior Advisor for Programs on HIV/AIDS and Gender, Social Science Research Council         </li> <li>"The Criminal Justice System" Panel Discussion:         Betsy Ginsberg, attorney, Prisoners' Rights Project         Alex Reinart, Associate, Koob &amp; Magoolaghan     </li> </ul>						
July 11	<ul> <li>"Hate Groups on the Internet," Jesse Daniels, Project Director, Center for Urban Health, Hunter College</li> <li>"Museums, Memorials, &amp; Representation of Native Americans," Johanna Gorelick, Supervisory Museum Program Specialist, Museum of the American Indian</li> <li>Visit Museum of the Native American</li> <li>Film: "Shirley '72—Unbought and Unbossed," with discussion by director, Shola Lynch</li> </ul>						
July 12	Workshop on Institutional Racism, Elaine Gross, President of ERASE Racism						
July 13	<ul> <li>"Justice for Minority Populations," Tim Ross, Research Director, Vera Institute of Justice</li> <li>"Puerto Rico: Consequences of Environmental Design for Crime Prevention," Zaire Flores, Fellow on Race, Crime, and Justice, Vera Institute of Justice</li> <li>"Vera's International Work," Monica Thornton, Altus Global Alliance Regional Representative, Vera Institute of Justice</li> <li>Lunch with Fellows from the Sponsors for Educational Opportunity Career Program</li> <li>"Human Rights in the Context of a Global Economy," Demetrios Argyriades, Management Consultant, United Nations</li> </ul>						
July 14	<ul> <li>Visit FDR Library &amp; Museum</li> <li>"The Presidential Library System," Jeff Urbin</li> <li>"Four Freedoms &amp; the Second Bill of Rights," Chris Breiseth, President Emeritus, Franklin &amp; Eleanor Roosevelt Institute</li> <li>"The Legacy of Slavery," Chris Breiseth, President Emeritus, Franklin &amp; Eleanor Roosevelt Institute</li> </ul>						
July 15	<ul> <li>HIA American Senior Fellows Association Reception. Speaker: Danny Goldfield, NYChildren photo project</li> </ul>						
July 16	Visit Greater Allen Cathedral, followed by meeting with Rev. Dr. Floyd Flake						
July 17	<ul> <li>"U.S. Asylum Process &amp; Proceedings," Judge Patricia Rohan &amp; Judge Douglas Schoppert, US Dept. of Justice Immigration Court</li> <li>Observation of Asylum Hearings, US Dept. of Justice Immigration Court</li> <li>Brown Bag Lunch: Doctors of the World presentation on treatment of asylum applicants and identifying victims of torture</li> <li>Film: "George W. Bush: Faith in the Whitehouse" with discussion by Rob Boston, Assistant Director of Communications, Americans United for Separation of Church and State</li> <li>"Religion, Rights and Public Moral Discourse," David Machacek, Associate Director, HIA &amp; Adrienne Fulco, Professor of Public Policy, Trinity College</li> </ul>						

# HIA-THE UNITED STATES PROGRAMS (CONTINUED)

July 18	<ul> <li>Film: "Jim in Bold" with discussion by Malcolm Lazin, founder, Equality Forum</li> <li>"Same-sex Marriage," Marty Rouse, National Field Director for the Human Rights Campaign</li> <li>"Youth Court Model &amp; the HCJC," Raye Barieri &amp; Ivan Deadrick, Harlem Community Justice Center</li> </ul>			
July 19	<ul> <li>"Children's Rights in the US and Europe" Panel discussion by HIA Fellows, Human Rights Summer Institute</li> <li>Lunch with NYC high school students in the Human Rights Summer Institute</li> <li>Film: "Harvest of Shame," with discussion by Philip Scheffler, former Executive Editor, 60 Minutes</li> <li>Meet Rolando Brown, Executive Director, Hip Hop Association</li> </ul>			
July 20	<ul> <li>"Approaches to Interfaith Understanding," Joyce Dubensky, Executive VP, Tanenbaum Center for Interreligious Understanding</li> <li>"The National Campaign to Restore Civil Rights," Marianne Engelman, General Counsel, New York Lawyers for the Public Interest</li> <li>"Bringing Human Rights Home," Cynthia Soohoo, Director of the Human Rights Institute at Columbia Law School</li> <li>"Social Entrepreneurship and Human Rights," Rikken Patel, Director, Res Publica</li> </ul>			
July 21	<ul> <li>"The Educational System," Joan Sullivan, Principle of the Bronx Academy of Letters &amp; Jean Claude Brizard, Executive Director of Secondary Schools, NYC Department of Education</li> <li>Visit Masjid al-Farah, followed by meeting with Imam Feisal Abdul Rauf, American Society for Muslim Advancement</li> </ul>			
July 22	<ul> <li>Workshop on Researching and Writing a Journalistic Essay</li> <li>"Fondwa: A Senior Fellows Action Plan," Brian McElroy &amp; Rebecca Sherman, HIA Senior Fellows</li> <li>Action Plan Workshop, Brian McElroy, &amp; Rebecca Sherman</li> </ul>			
July 24	"US Involvement in the International Criminal Court," John Washburn, Convener, American NGO Coalition for the ICC, United Nations Association of the USA     "Religion & Politics in America Today," Mark Silk, Director, Center for Public Values, Trinity College			
July 26	Naturalization Ceremony, Federal Court			
August 1	<ul> <li>"The Rights of Sexual Minorities and Women in the US and Europe" Panel discussion by HIA Fellows, Human Rights Summer Institute</li> <li>Banquet Meal. Speaker: Michael Johnson, Chair of HIA</li> </ul>			
August 2	Model UN Trial on Optional Protocol for the Children's Rights Convention, Human Rights Summer Institute			
August 3—4	Fellows Reports			

# Fall Program for Fellows in the Danish, Dutch, French, German and Polish Programs Washington D.C.

September 25	<ul> <li>United States Holocaust Memorial Museum, Introduction by Joan Ringleheim 4th Floor Debriefing with Sarah</li> </ul>
	Ogilvie, Director National Institute for Holocaust Education, and Severin Hochberg, Historian, the Center for
	Advanced Holocaust Studies
	· "Contemporary Foreign Policy Issues," Dr. Hans Binnendijk, Theodore Roosevelt Chair in National Security Policy
	and Director of the Center for Technology and National Security Policy
	Professor Peter Edelman, Georgetown University Law Center

September 26	<ul> <li>Holocaust Museum, Self-Guided Tour and discussion with Joan Ringelheim</li> <li>"The Holocaust in the Past and the Present," German Ambassador Klaus Scharioth</li> </ul>					
September 27	<ul> <li>Holocaust Museum self-guided tour and discussion with Joan Ringelheim</li> <li>"Genocide and Slavery," Professor James Horton, Benjamin Banneker Professor American Studies &amp; History at George Washington University</li> </ul>					
New York						
September 28	<ul> <li>"Interracial Marriage &amp; Relationships in the U.S." Pr. Erica Childs, Hunter College</li> <li>"The Prison System in the United States," Pr. Nicolas Freudenberg, Hunter College</li> <li>"Urban Sociology &amp; Africana," Pr. Anthony Brown, Hunter College</li> </ul>					
September 29	<ul> <li>"Engaging the US on Human Rights," Dr. J. Paul Martin, Executive Director, Ctr. For the Study of Human Rights, Columbia University</li> <li>"Unacceptable Losses: Drugs &amp; Addiction in the U.S," Robin Williams, HIA Senior Fellow/Jack K. Cook Graduate Scholar</li> <li>"Philanthropy and the Ford Foundation," David B. Chiel, Deputy Vice President for Program Management, Ford Foundation</li> </ul>					

# AMERICAN PROGRAM INTERNSHIPS

#### **New York**

- Independent Press Association
- Legal Aid Society
- Bottomless Closet
- Trace Magazine
- · American Society for Muslim Advancement
- New York Immigration Coalition
- Harlem Children's Zone, The Renaissance University for Children's Education

#### San Francisco

- International Institute of the East Bay
- Lighthouse Community Charter School
- Jewish Community Relations Council
- San Francisco Foundation, Social Justice Initiative
- San Francisco LGBT Community Center
- San Francisco Organizing Project
- United Religions Initiative



What I took from HIA was not so much a new sense of the injustices in my country or my responsibility in impacting it (although there were many occasions in which I learned new things from the organized activities). What I took away from my five weeks of HIA was a new sense of support and community, knowing that there are people I can turn to if I am have questions about how to approach a given issue, and people who will turn to each other when we need collaboration or help.

-Christina Antonakos-Wallace

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# AMERICAN PROGRAM REPORTS

"On Coming to the United States: Reaching for American Identity"

Ryan Rallanka & Wilhelmina Welsch

"Building Bridges: The Role of Four NYC Nonprofit Organizations in Promoting Intercultural Education Post-September 11"

Sophie Chiha & Emilie Minnick

"The Politics & Efficacy of Bilingual & ESL Education in New York City"

Christina Antonakos-Wallace & Fairouz Hadji

"Putting Mexican Cuisine on the Table: The Cultural Dimension of Cuisine as a Connecting Point"

Ji-Hae Kim & Patricia Jimenez Kwast

"Are Charter Schools the Answer to Deficiencies in the New York Public Schools?"

Yvette Berghuijs & Emmanuelle Lawrence

"Let's (not) Talk about Sex: The Role of 'Don't Ask, Don't Tell' in the Military"

Christophe Michels & Stephen Reed

"When the Truth Hurts, Tell a Joke: Why America Needs Its Comedians"

Roger A. Cohen & Ryan Richards

"Who's Permitted the Rock the Vote? Korean-American Suffrage in New York City"

Masha Burina & Matias Steen

"The Trials of Today's Enemy: A Foray into Muslim Prison Life"

Bethany Coleman & Alexander Ege

"Playing Outside the Box: Black Identity as Expressed through the Arts in New York City"

Shasti Conrad & Simone Schlindwein

"Madness and the City: Brooklyn Mental Health Court as a Case Study in Minority Protection Strategy" Grzegorz Brzozowski & Elizabeth Floyd

"A Gospel of Self-Empowerment and Personal Responsibility"

Emilie Johansen & Lindsey Toft

"The Second Sentence: Obstacles to Public Housing in New York City for Women with Criminal Records" Yasemin Balci & Alexis Krauss

"An Alternative Approach to Juvenile Recidivism: Harlem Community Justice Center and the Juvenile Reentry Progam"

Katalina Mayorga & Anna Stojak

"US Asylum: Potential Evolution of a System"

Elodie Aissi & Bethany Ojalehto

"Fiat Democratia Pereat Mundi (Let's Take Democracy Alive Even if the World is Going Down)"

Elisabeth Becker & Ufuk Topkara

"Democracy's Punishment: Felon Disenfranchisement"

Charlotte Recoquillon & Katherine Sydenham

"Civil Action: Fighting Hate Speech with Free Speech"

Karolina Kudyba & Brian Tuohy

# AMERICAN REPORT EXCERPTS

Madness and the City

Brooklyn Mental Health Court as a Case Study in Minority Protection Strategy

Elizabeth Floyd and Grzegorz Brzozowski

The strains of Mozart wind their way from ear to ear down the line of Central Park benches, inducing sleep in some, foot-tapping in others, and in the 350-lb man on rollerblades—dainty pirouettes. Goggle-glasses afloat on fiercely bobbing head, features rapt in pungent concentration, our man is briefly entertainment amongst that crowd in whom Mozart induces dinner-party reflexes, but frankly, mostly he is ignored.

New York tolerates its crazies with much better humor than other cities. "This city can drive you mad"—the majority of people we questioned spontaneously on morning subway trips agreed. Anxiety, stress, density of population, tough social system—all make for an unusually large number of mentally disordered citizens, often visible on the streets as smelly, eccentric figures who mutter angrily to themselves, preach, sell batteries, dig through garbage, sing out loud or just ask strange questions to random people in the subway. Some attributed the disproportionate visibility of madness to the city's legendary intensity. "There's much more of everything on a small island like Manhattan, good guys as well as bad ones," two elegant, fast-talking New Yorkers opined authoritatively.

Yet even the Big Apple has its limits. When pirouettes in the park become misdemeanors or even violent crimes, all bemused sympathy and cool disregard goes by the wayside. "You have to lock them up, isolate them; they are dangerous. You have to put them under control. I wouldn't be happy if one of them lived next door," a casually-clothed gentleman in his sixties asserted fervently when we stopped him in front of the Kings County courthouse.

Despite its visibility on the streets, madness is a silent minority in America and one with little prospect for a civil rights movement. Judicial solutions to minority issues are historically problematic, yet there is a new judicial movement brewing. Here we analyze the ethical distinctiveness as well as the effectiveness of the solution offered by these new courts, in contrast to the mainstream judicial system, as a case study in American minority management.

# AMERICAN REPORT EXCERPTS (CONTINUED)

### U.S. Asylum: Potential Evolution of a System

### Elodie Aissi and Bethany Ojalehto

"It's a very simple process. Who may come, who may stay, and who must go?" With this statement on the judicial decision-making process on asylum in the U.S., immigration Judge Rohan welcomed us to the New York Immigration Court during a visit in our program.

Her statement captures the simplest essence of a problematic system of legally fragmented and politically contested asylum. But unlike the question itself, the answer is not so simple. Of asylum cases that come before Immigration Judges in the U.S., the average grant rate lies somewhere between 22% and 31%. But this slice of opportunity is highly contingent upon the cases' random assignment to a particular judge and the quality of legal representation. Disparities in judges' grant rates have been the focal point of extensive research questioning the imputed neutrality and fairness of the U.S. asylum system.

Observing these controversial variables in asylum outcomes, it seems intuitive that to understand this process, it is essential to explore the perspectives of Immigration Judges on "who may stay." But, rather than resting solely with the judge's proclamation, the key to understanding lies with the interactive roles of diverse actors operating on multiple levels of the asylum system. In order to approach a conceptual framework for understanding asylum adjudication in the U.S., we need to clarify how these different actors engage the law and each other throughout the legal process, and to identify the potential of these divergent discourses to influence the evolution of asylum adjudication.

How does the asylum system provide space for diverse actors in this process—from the asylum seeker, to legal representation, to judges, to civil society—and how do these different elements combine to influence the evolution or stasis of a system designed to adapt to global realities?

### INTERNSHIP PROGRAMS

# CONGRESSMAN TOM LANTOS / HIA CAPITOL HILL INTERNSHIP PROGRAM

The HIA-Lantos Congressional Fellowship Program had a highly successful 2006. An exceptionally bright and talented group of Fellows from Denmark, Germany and the Netherlands worked in the offices of California representatives Tom Lantos, Ed Royce, Grace Napolitano, Brad Sherman and Barbara Lee, as well as in the offices of Ileana Ros-Lehtinen and Robert Wexler of Florida, and Trent Franks of Arizona. Every Thursday, the group attended a series of one-hour events, including discussions and films put together by Mrs. Annette Lantos.

Each Monday was devoted to an extensive speakers' program and a series of site visits. From the beginning of the program at the end of January until its conclusion in late May, we met with 40 officials in government, academia, think tanks, non-profit organizations, national trade associations and service-providing groups. These included Nicholas Burns, Undersecretary of State; Oscar De Soto, Director, Office for the Promotion of Human Rights; Vice Admiral John Cotton of the Pentagon; Richard Perle at the American Enterprise Institute; and Peter Edelman, professor at the Georgetown University Law Center. We also visited a Latino medical clinic, met with a group of homeless persons, and spoke with the founder of a charter school in Anacostia, among other site visits.

We talked with officials on both sides of controversial issues, including abortion, gun control, and drug policy. For an authoritative update on conditions in Iraq, we spoke with Qubad Talabani, U.S. Representative of the Patriotic Union of Kurdistan, and son of the current President of Iraq. We also attended functions at the German and Dutch Embassies, organized by the Fellows themselves.

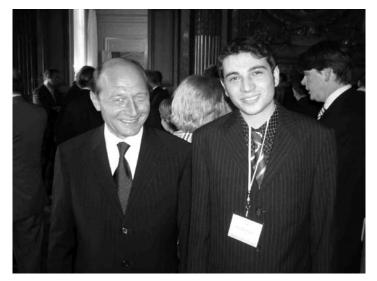
Program Director: Anna Isgro

You are sitting at the heart of one of the world's most ambitious political projects.

-Thomas Huddleston

#### BRUSSELS INTERNSHIP PROGRAM

From March to June 2006, the Humanity in Action Brussels program, in its second year, placed eight of its Senior Fellows in internships at the European Parliament. Seven worked in the offices of Members from Lithuania, Denmark, Germany, the Netherlands and the UK. One coordinated a global conference of the German Marshall Fund, and one in the UN High Commissioner on Refugees' EU Office.



EU Intern Doru Frantescu with the Romanian president Traian Bâsescu at the German Marshall Fund's Brussels Forum.

The Fellows worked on policy issues ranging from free trade to fair trade, environmental and data protection, to immigrant integration and EU enlargement. The Fellows took on a great deal of responsibility with their MEPs, crafting press releases, penning newspaper articles and drafting amendments. One Fellow who had worked extensively on the rights of Guantanamo prisoners became her MEP's contact for the Temporary Committee on the alleged use of European countries by the CIA for the transport and illegal detention of prisoners.

The weekly lecture series gave Fellows a broader appreciation of Brussels decision-making with speakers from European institutions, international organizations and NGO-lobbies. The Fellows found the EP to be a forward-thinking platform not only on European, but also American political debates, leading them to collaborate with the Lantos Capitol Hill interns on a series of reports examining how these two potent legislative bodies engage human and minority rights challenges.

The program culminated in a final, public café debate on the new hurdles to EU enlargement with speakers from diverse perspectives, including an EU policymaker,

a leading academic and The Economist's journalist on EU affairs. The café attracted a full-house of young, committed internationals who shared political insights and life experiences and discovered Humanity in Action.

Thomas Huddleston 2006 Brussels Intern

#### **EU-LANTOS REPORTS**

Humanity In Action Fellows completed very successful Fellowships in the US Congress and the European Union Parliament in Brussels during the spring of 2006. The Fellows worked together on essays and articles which discuss the different approaches of Europe and the United States to various human rights related issues such as human trafficking, the genocide in Darfur, and regional issues in the Southern Caucasus, Liberia and the Black Sea. Below are their written reports.

War on Terror or War on Human Rights?

Anastassia Stolovitskaia and Alissa King

Darfur: Genocide with the World as Witness

Jesper Packert Pedersen and Helen Ratner

European Union & U.S. engagement in the Southern Caucus: A Comparative Outlook Jakob Silas Lund and Doru Frantescu Liberia: What now?

Michelle Christensen and David Röling

The Black Sea: Challenges & Opportunities for the European Union & The United States

Allon Bar and Ferhat Izguzarer

United States & European Union Responses to Human Trafficking

Julia Winding and Dijana Dmitruk

Working with international relations and human rights on 'the Hill' was definitely one of the most mind stimulating experiences of my life

—Jacob Silas Lund, Denmark 2005

My experience in this staunchly conservative office . . . helped me draw a more diverse and balanced picture of a group of people who were earlier reduced to a stereotypical caricature in my mind, and that, in my opinion, is exactly what Humanity in Action seeks to encourage.

—Julia Winding, Denmark 2005

### BERLIN INTERNSHIP PROGRAM

Six US Fellows participated in the newly established Berlin Internship Program following the American Core program. The interns researched the issues with which their organizations were concerned, and learned through participation

about the strategies they employ. A weekly lecture series introduced the interns to important local organisations in the field of human and minority rights, offered discussions with grassroots activists and politicians, and opened a window of comparison between immigration and minority issues in Germany and the United States. The Fellows also met several times with Senior Fellows who now live in Berlin, extending and strengthening the HIA Network.

### Internship Placements included:

- Office of the Representative of the Berlin Senate for Migration and Integration
- United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees, Regional Representation for Austria, the Czech Republic and Germany
- Anti-Discrimination Network of the Turkish Union in Berlin-Brandenburg
- Project Afrikaherz, a grassroots NGO for social counselling of African migrants
- Global Public Policy Institute Berlin
- Aspen Institute Berlin

As part of the "Transatlantic Study and Internship Program on Human and Minority Rights for Young Leaders from Germany and the US," this internship program was sponsored by the Transatlantic Program of the Government of the Federal Republic of Germany through funds of the European Recovery Program (ERP) of the Federal Ministry of Economics and Labour. The "Transatlantic Study and Internship Program on Human and Minority Rights" supported by the ERP grant also supported the participation of the Berlin interns in the American Core Program and the participation of German Fellows in the American Core Program and Internship.

Congressman Tom Lantos / HIA Capitol Hill Internship Program: Henriette Rytz, Anastassia Stolovitskaia, David Röling, Allon Bar, Siddik Bakir, Jakob Silas Lund, Julia Winding, Michelle Christensen, Dijana Dmitruk

European Parliament: Thomas Huddleston, Ferhat Izguzarer, Justin Dubois, Sarah Stattman, Alissa King, Maria Badjakova, Doru Frantescu, Helene Ratner

International Criminal Tribunal for the Former Yugoslavia: John Foster, Chelsea Sharon, Nilakshi Parndigamage, Vica Rosario Bogaerts

United Nations: Jacqueline Bouscher, Jessamy Garver-Affeldt

Berlin Interns: Christina Antonakos-Wallace, Elisabeth Becker, Bethany Coleman, Laura Elizabeth Floyd, JiHae Kim, Lindsey Toft

Interpol: Owusu Akoto, Ekim Alptekin

War Crimes Chamber of the Court of Bosnia and Herzegovina: Jason Campbell, Simone Halink

Institute for Justice Sector Development: Rory Gillis, Holly Dranginis, John Foster, Sam Walker

HIA Core Programs: American Program, Fatimah Muhammad, Marius Osswald, Anouk Eigenraam; Danish Program, Sam Walker; Dutch Program, Jeffrey Hochstetler; French Program, Michael Kunichika; German Program, Philip Ugelow; Polish Program, Marta Galecki

# AMERICAN SENIOR FELLOWS ASSOCIATION

American Senior Fellows took several large steps forward in 2006. At the beginning of the year, eight Senior Fellows were appointed to chair the American Senior Fellows Association (ASFA), the first organized body of HIA Senior Fellows in the United States. The ASFA quickly adopted an organizational charter, outlining its responsibilities for outreach, professional development, transatlantic cooperation, fundraising, and arranging events for both Humanity in Action and the community at large. Through the course of the year, the ASFA coordinated activities in each of these areas, overseeing, for example, a successful Senior Fellows meeting that featured high-level discussion on topics including international justice, immigration, and freedom of the press. The ASFA also oversaw record levels of participation from American Senior Fellows in its annual fundraising appeal, as well as in recruiting on college campuses for HIA's core programs.

Beyond organizational growth, however, Senior Fellows are now beginning to engage in increasingly important and substantive ways with HIA. A representative of the Senior Fellows, the chair of the ASFA, now sits permanently on HIA's Board of Directors and International Advisory and Strategic Planning Committee. A Senior fellow now co-chairs the American Planning Board, helping to direct the development of HIA's programmatic growth in the United States, and in Europe, multiple Senior Fellows spent their summers working with HIA to ensure successful core programs in each host country. On a more local level, Senior Fellows have now taken the initiative to organize themselves into groups in Washington, New York, Boston, San Francisco, and Chicago, integrating Senior Fellows from different years and different core programs, and helping realize HIA's vision of an ever larger network of students and professionals committed to the protection of minorities.

In the year to come, Senior Fellows will continue to offer their insights and energy to HIA. It is our strong hope to deepen our involvement with the organization, with each other, and most importantly, with our communities.

Philip Ugelow President, American Senior Fellows Association

# HIA ANNUAL APPEAL

# New Record: 87% of U.S. HIA Fellows Contribute to 2006 Appeal 31% increase in total dollar amount raised over 2005

The 2006 Annual HIA Fellows Appeal closed on September 30, 2006 with a record-setting 87% participation rate among U.S. based Fellows and a total of \$8,578 raised. Not only did more Fellows than ever make donations, but their generosity reached new heights with increased gift amounts.

HIA's success can be measured on two scales: engagement of Fellows in the causes of minority rights and engagement in the programs and network of the Foundation itself. Since HIA's founding in 1997, Fellows have shown great commitment in both areas, through their careers and overall eagerness to participate actively in HIA's programs and administration. In recent years, Fellows have also worked to strengthen HIA through charitable donations.

HIA launched its first Fellows Appeal in 2003 and the response was immediate. 76.6% of Fellows contributed \$2,840. Now, in 2006, Fellows' individual generosity and collective commitment was stronger than ever with both record-setting participation and gift size.

### Senior Fellows Annual Appeal Committee:

Ali Rosof (Chair), Sharon Chin, Matthew Canfield, Sheri Halpern, Ebone Bishop, Nita Colaco, Alexander Zevin, Jonathan Forman, Adam Jed, Rocio Digon, Olivia Wang, Amanda Wetzel, Maggie Whelan, Molly Curren, Mark Goldberg, Nicole Kirkwood, Darren Teshima, Ben Trachtenberg, Ben Allen, Zach Kaufman, Alexandra Perina

# SUCCESS

Over the years, HIA Fellows have received many awards and honors. We are proud to highlight some of their achievements in 2005-2006:

- Bryan Norrington returned to New York after the 2006 French Program to co-direct the Human Rights
   Summer Institute at the International Center for Tolerance Education. He is presently studying in Japan on a
   Fulbright scholarship.
- Dutch Fellows Vica Bogaerts (2006 Dutch Program), Jacqueline Bouscher (2005 Dutch Program) & Ykje Vriesinga (2005 Dutch Program) published "Explaining Darfur: Lectures on the Ongoing Genocide," based on four lectures by renowned commentators on Sudan. The publication and lectures were used by several members of the U.S. Congress and influenced the Dutch Minister for Development Cooperation's decision to send extra military observers to Sudan in 2006.
- Elidor Mehilli (2003 Dutch Program) was awarded the 2006 St. Gallen Wings of Excellence Award by the International Students' Committee at the University of St. Gallen in Switzerland. Elidor's speech, which was covered in major European newspapers, focused on the importance of remembering the history of Balkan atrocities in Europe. Mehilli is a doctoral candidate in history at Princeton University.
- Ben Allen was elected as student regent of the University of California system for 2007-2008. Ben Allen has worked
  at the International Criminal Tribunal for Rwanda and served as a Latin American assistant with the National
  Democratic Institute for International Affairs. He is currently a candidate for the juris doctorate at UC Berkeley.
- 2006 Danish Program Fellows Jason Blau and Mikkel Christensen published their report, "Denmark: A Nation Worth Protecting," in the Danish newspaper Information. The paper explored the history of Denmark and the Danish People's Party.
- The Heinrich Böll Foundation published the 2005 German Program report by Henriette Rytz, Michelle Rosenthal, and David Peyton. Entitled "A Very Long Engagement: Why Migrants Have Not Yet Married Themselves to the German Political System," the report examines the integration experience of German immigrants, using interviews with political leaders, immigrants, and community leaders.

- Jesse Salazar (2004 Dutch Program) spear-headed an educational video program highlighting the GLBT community's
  worldwide contributions. The multi-media project involved 31 short video biographies of GLBT leaders. Salazar is
  director of Equality Forum's GLBT History Month Project. Salazar is a Ph.D. student at Princeton.
- Holly Dranginis (2006 Danish Program) was awarded a Fulbright scholarship to study transitional justice in Guatemala. Ryan Richards, also an American Fellow, is directing development effort for a language school in Quetzaletango, Guatemala.
- Michelle Rosenthal (2005 German Program) was awarded a Fulbright scholarship to work with microfinance initiatives, poverty alleviation, and women's organizations in India.
- David Peyton (2005 Danish Program) conducted research on HIV/AIDs and microfinance initiatives in Rwanda for foundations interested in developing a pilot project addressing these issues.
- Brian McElroy and Rebecca Sherman, both participants in the 2005 Danish Program, produced a traveling photojournalism exhibit entitled "Live in Fondwa." The project chronicles the work of the University of Fondwa in Haiti, the first rural university for the poor in Haiti. McElroy is presently studying in the Dominican Republic on a Rotary Ambassadorial Scholarship. Rebecca Sherman also completed a photo-exhibition on South Africa in the Fall 2005.
- Nilakshi Parndigamage (2004 German Program) received the prestigious David Everett Chantler Award by Yale
  University. The award is given to graduating seniors "who best exemplify the qualities of courage, strength of
  character and high moral purpose." Nilakshi is currently interning at the International Criminal Tribunal for the
  Former Yugoslavia.
- At the 2005 Kristallnacht commemoration, Mozhdeh Ghasemiyani (2004 Danish Program) delivered a speech
  urging Danes to remember the lessons of the Holocaust when dealing with issues of minority integration.
  Ghasemiyani drew on her own experiences as a refugee and immigrant to Denmark.
- Arthur Robinson Williams (2003 Dutch Program) was awarded the prestigious Jack Kent Cook Graduate Scholarship to attend medical school at the University of Pennsylvania. After receiving a B.A. from Princeton, Williams travelled across the U.S. to create a photo-project chronicling the effects of drug addiction and drug policy. The exhibit currently tours at campuses across the U.S.

# SUCCESS (CONTINUED)

- Katrina Feilberg (2004 Danish Program) was elected to the Copenhagen City Council. Feilberg's main political ambitions are to work for the better integration of ethnic minorities in Copenhagen, better help for and protection of prostitutes and the fight for gender equality.
- Siddik Bakir (2005 German Program) was selected for the "100 Muslim Leaders of Tomorrow: Muslim
  Integration in the West" Conference, sponsored by the American Society for Muslim Advancement, the World
  Economic Forum, and the Cordoba Initiative
- Brian Tuohy (2006 American Program) was selected for the 2006 ESPN Magazine Academic All-America
  Soccer Team by the College Sports Information Directors of America. The Academic All-America Teams
  program honors student athletes who have succeeded at the highest levels both on the field and in the classroom.
  Tuohy is a senior at the University of Rochester.
- After completing the Congressman Tom Lantos / HIA Capitol Hill Internship Program, Jesper Pedersen (2002
  Danish Program) was hired as a judicial liaison for Representative Grace Napolitano.
- After interning in the Office of the Registrar, Elias Fels (2004 Dutch Program), David Hein (1999 Dutch Program) and Selma Hadzic (2005 Danish Program) were retained as staff at the War Crimes Chamber of the Court of Bosnia and Herzegovina.

# 2006 HIGHLIGHTS



Danish Ambassador Friis Arne Petersen with Congressman Tom Lantos and his wife Annette. The Danish Embassy honored the fifth anniversary of the Congressman Tom Lantos / HIA Capitol Hill Internship Program.



HIA Executive Director, Judy Goldstien speaks with President William Durden of Dickensen College at a dinner hosted by German Ambassador Wolfgang Ischinger and Frau Jutta Falke Ischinger in honor of HIA.



Congresswoman Grace Napolitano addresses HIA Fellows at the reception by the Danish Embassy.



David Levering-Lewis, featured speaker at the annual HIA New York Benefit hosted by Michel Wallerstein. (Photo by Robert Curvin)

# **AWARDS**

### HIA Senior Fellows Hiske Arts and Michael Kunichika Receive the Barney Karbank and Dr. Louis Rabineau Awards for Excellence

Board Chair Emeritus Neil Karbank and his family have established two awards, one in honor of Mr. Karbank's father, Barney Karbank, and one in honor of Dr. Louis Rabineau, for outstanding leadership by HIA Fellows. Each of the \$1,000 awards is to be given annually to one American Senior Fellow and one European Senior Fellow, for the next ten years.

Barney A. Karbank (1924-2005) embodied the qualities of personal dignity, self-reliance and hard work. He was a self-taught and self-made professional real estate investor, yet he generally attributed his success to luck and to the

kindness and assistance of others. He was an uncanny judge of character and he assessed people's worth on the basis of their acts and deeds, regardless of their background, race, gender or religion. Mr. Karbank was an early sponsor of Humanity In Action, and he supported HIA's mission of protecting those who are the most vulnerable to persecution; while he suggested that this was largely government's role, he also believed that protecting the vulnerable largely depended on the independent judgment and selfless acts of courageous individuals. He was enormously devoted to his family, and he believed that the primary function of any family, and any well-functioning group, is aiding and protecting every member of the group. Mr. Karbank was known to be exceedingly cautious, reflective and methodical in his work and yet within the last weeks of his life he asserted, as a fundamental principle, "Don't be afraid to take risks."

Dr. Louis Rabineau's commitment to the defense of human rights was profoundly influenced by his army service in World War II, when he visited Buchenwald concentration camp shortly after its liberation. He brings this commitment to his life-long efforts to improve education for all. As the Chancellor of Higher Education for the State of Connecticut, Dr. Rabineau established

the first statewide talent search in higher education for minorities; a higher education plan addressing the needs of the physically handicapped; and a statewide program to train teachers of teachers. As President of the College of the Atlantic, he promoted social and environmental responsibility, adding programs in international affairs, environmental studies, and public service.



**Hiske Arts** 

#### Barney Karbank Memorial Award: Hiske Arts (2001 Dutch Program)

Hiske completed HIA internships at the US Congress and the International Criminal Tribunal for the Former Yugoslavia; was a board member of the Dutch Student's Union; organized a large demonstration in Amsterdam opposing government plans to curtail youth education and wrote a highly innovative academic thesis on conflict discourse in Novi Sad, Serbia.

Hiske is one of the co-founders of Critical Mass, a small NGO that works to further the understanding and awareness among young people about human rights, grave violations of those, and the social processes which lead to them. In that context she has participated in study journeys to Bosnia and Herzegovina, to Rwanda and to the Baltic States. Most recently, Hiske has undertaken an important new project, the INBOX exposition. The exposition, which will open in November 2006 and travel through the large cities of the Netherlands, focuses on identity, conflict escalation, media, politics, violence, and group processes. It is primarily targeted at VMBO secondary school students (the lowest educated, often ignored, but largest group of secondary school children, which includes the large majority of the Dutch minority population's children). The exposition will give these students tools to react to and de-escalate crisis situations. Hiske has brought the message of HIA to a much wider audience and actively continues to do so.

#### Dr. Louis Rabineau Award: Michael Kunichika (1999 Dutch Program)

Following his graduation from Reed College (Portland, OR) in 1999, Michael Kunichika worked as an intern at The Nation magazine before entering the Ph.D. program in Slavic Languages and Literatures at UC Berkeley. Now in his final year of the program, Michael is a Fellow at Berkeley's Townsend Center for the Humanities and is completing his dissertation, "The Penchant for the Primitive: Archaeology, Ethnography, and the Aesthetics of Russian Modernism." An essay on the contemporary landscape of the White-Baltic Sea Canal, which, in part, extends some of his interests in memorials and monuments first investigated in his HIA report, is forthcoming in an anthology of Russian visual culture with Yale. Michael writes that he "counts as my greatest achievement of the past year, however, learning how to ride a bicycle under the watchful, sometimes concerned, sometimes panicked, eye of Anne-Lorraine Bujon, program director of HIA France." As an intern in the core programs in Denmark, France, Germany, and the Netherlands, Michael has helped to define and shape the responsibilities of the interns working in the core programs; given support to program directors over many years; encouraged, cajoled, inspired and held to account Fellows in many countries and many programs—while sharing his beliefs in HIA's goals, thereby helping us all to fulfill them.



Michael Kunichika

### FINANCIAL REPORT

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#### Revenue

	HIA, Inc.	HIA Denmark	HIA France	HIA Germany	HIA Netherlands	HIA Poland*	Total
Grants	654,000	96,667	31,250	168,750	100,000	-	1,050,667
Grants Released from Restriction	120,218	-	-	-	-	-	120,218
Gifts	180,493	-	-	6,250	25,000	-	211,743
Senior Fellows Annual Appeal	8,578	833	-	63	-	-	9,474
Interest	7,276	-	-	-	-	-	7,276
Total Income	970,565	97,500	31,250	175,063	125,000	-	1,399,378

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#### Expenses

Expenses							
	HIA, Inc.	Danish	Dutch	French	German	Polish	Total
	HIA, IIIC.	Program	Program	Program	Program	Program	
Personnel	261,626	57,675	63,454	45,679	87,950	38,100	554,484
Bookkeeping/Accounting	13,369	0	7,500	0	2,959	400	24,228
Fees & Interest	1,055	0	0	964	0	0	2,019
Rent & Occupancy	13,635	6,317	19,035	15,003	8,131	0	62,121
Printing & Mailing	15,199	9,928	0	3,673	3,902	574	33,276
Telecommunication	7,045	2,297	1,147	546	750	2,800	14,585
Office Supplies & Materials	5,229	7,582	0	4,043	7,037	1,083	24,974
Insurance	6,133	933	836	1,523	680	680	10,785
Board Travel and Meeting							
Expenses	6,970	780	4,556	1,211	2,364	34	15,915
Program Travel	63,171	27,079	36,235	36,193	50,101	26,344	239,123
Program Accommodations &							
Meals	66,840	79,113	35,922	21,305	45,518	24,830	273,528
Program Consultants & Speakers	17,014	7,883	6,387	1,461	25,014	2,084	59,843
Grants & Fellowships	8,137	0	0	0	4,425	0	12,562
Development & Entertainment	4,097	0	0	0	6,250	0	10,347
Other Program Costs	5,949	6,275	65	168	1,889	0	14,346
Total	495,469	205,861	175,137	131,769	246,970	96,929	1,352,135

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Administration	302,454	22%
Total	1,352,135	100%

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