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184 national human rights organisations in 112 countries



Tunisia

A historic law to fight violence against women



Israel



Palestine



France

Dangerous liaisons

FIDH's report reveals the links between five French banks and insurance companies and Israeli banks and businesses involved in maintaining and expanding Israeli settlements in the Occupied Palestinian Territory.



Argentina

French court authorises the extradition of Mario Sandoval



The former Argentinian police officer, living in France since 1985, can therefore be tried in Argentina for crimes against humanity committed during the military dictatorship. FIDH, alongside associations and victims, has been advocating for his extradition since 2012.

Mali

10 years in prison for the former Islamic 'chief of police' of Gao



A first victory for the victims of crimes committed by Islamist groups in the North of the country. FIDH conducted investigations as far back as 2013 and assisted the victims throughout the proceedings.



South Africa

The African Commission stands by affected people



Cartoonist Brandon

The African Commission recognises the negative impacts of an improper mine closure on the population. Its decision took into account an FIDH study carried out with its member organisation LHR (Lawyers for Human Rights) and affected communities.



Burundi

The ICC opens an inquiry



Guest artist Rash Brax

ACHPR

The African Commission adopts guidelines on combating sexual violence



The guidelines, drawn up in collaboration with FIDH, provide states with solutions to end early and forced marriage and to strengthen support for victims of sexual violence or girls wanting an abortion.



Ireland

Historic decision of the European Committee of Social Rights



The Committee finds Ireland failed to provide adequate social housing. Numerous families had been affected and FIDH filed a complaint in 2014. Ireland will have to report on the measures adopted to ensure the situation complies with European standards in the matter.

#StopLGBTPersecution

INTERNATIONAL DAY AGAINST HOMOPHOBIA, TRANSPHOBIA AND BIPHOBIA



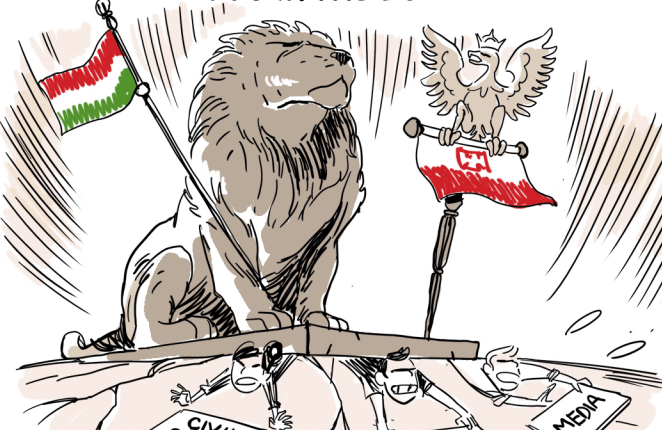
FIDH launches a campaign of solidarity with the LGBT people of Chechnya and the Donbas to mark the International Day against Homophobia, Transphobia and Biphobia. Numerous public figures are involved and back the campaign.



Hungary

Poland

The European Parliament (EP) makes a stand against violations of democracy and the rule of law in the EU



The resolution adopted by the EP means that, states could be held responsible and ultimately sanctioned if they repeatedly violate the fundamental principles of the EU. This is a landmark decision! FIDH has advocated repeatedly for the application of this mechanism.



Uzbekistan

Release of 6 human rights defenders

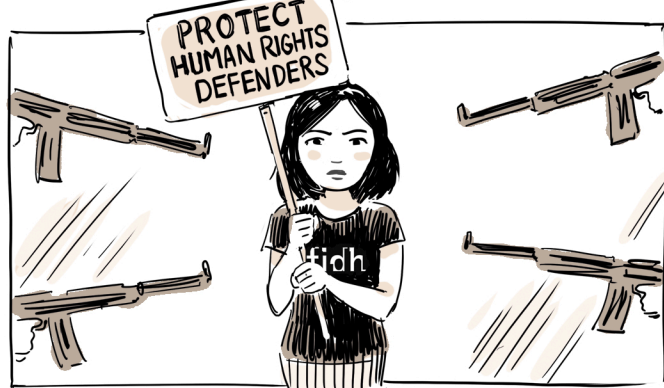


This is a first step in improving the situation of human rights defenders in a country otherwise marred by impunity and repression. FIDH has been working with Uzbek human rights defenders for many years.



Thailand

The UN demands the protection of women human rights defenders

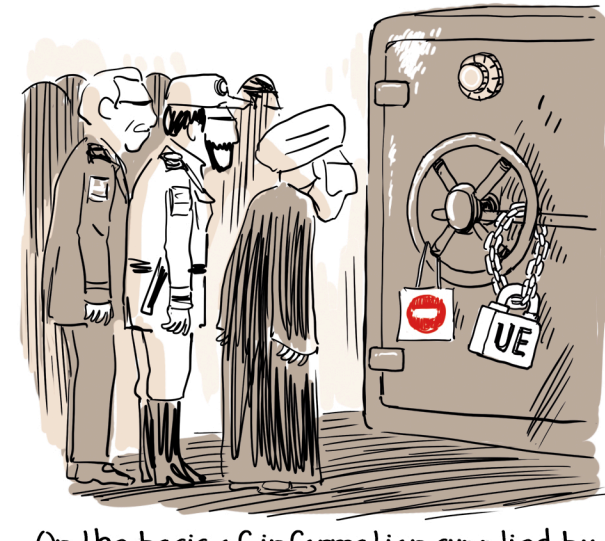


On the basis of an FIDH report, for the first time the UN calls on the government to adopt and implement effective measures to protect women human rights defenders.



Iran

The EU extends targeted sanctions



On the basis of information supplied by FIDH, the EU confirms asset freezes and visa bans for 82 individuals and one organisation responsible for human rights violations.



Laos

The UN condemns the detention of 3 peaceful government critics to be arbitrary



Incarcerated since 2016 and sentenced to terms of between 12 and 20 years, they are detained following criticism of the government. FIDH submitted their cases to the UN and continues to work for their release.



United Nations

Towards a binding instrument to regulate the activities of businesses



For the first time a process for drawing up a binding treaty to compel businesses to respect human rights is underway at the United Nations. FIDH, which has published an analysis of the various elements put forward, calls on all states to commit to this process.

FIDH is also :

70 international missions

Support to 800+ human rights defenders in danger

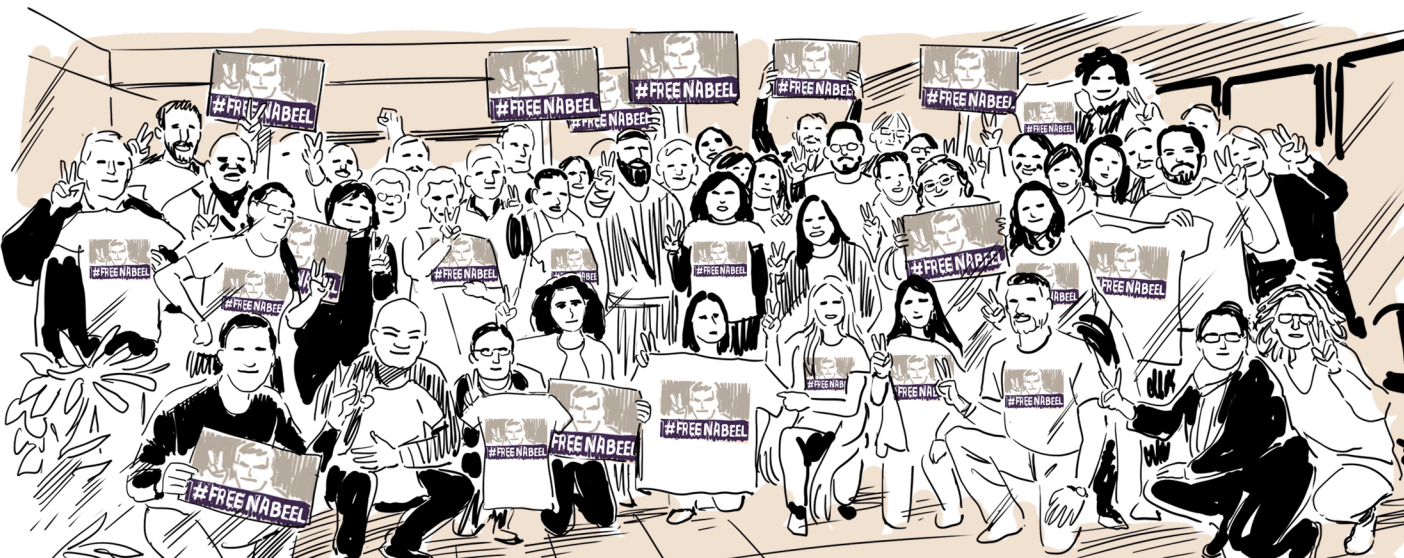
690 public mobilisation actions

1200 victims represented in 70 judicial or semi-judicial proceedings concerning close to 40 countries



" They refused with eyes wide open what others accepted with eyes firmly shut "

René Char



Human rights are the basis of a society that ensures equality, freedom and dignity for each and every person. FIDH, thanks to its legitimacy, experience, methods and credibility makes a unique contribution towards achieving this goal.