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Greetings:

It is our great pleasure to welcome you to our Eighth Annual Humanity in Action International Conference in Berlin. We are meeting at a critical time that requires all our attention to the dangers to fundamental human rights and minority communities. During this conference we will examine the rise in nationalism, populism, xenophobia and extremism in Europe and in the United States today. And more importantly, we will explore strategies for responsible citizenship and we will discuss good practice models that are intended to counteract those developments.

The past years have borne witness to populist and extremist political narratives gaining popular support in Europe and the United States. These events were united not only in their anti-establishment rhetoric. Rather, they were united in their employment of discourses that are premised on nationalistic, anti-immigration, anti-Muslim, anti-Semitic – and ultimately anti-minority positions. Socially, these developments seem to pave the way to a normalization of dehumanization and violence against others. Politically, they may impact elections not only in Europe, but also within the European Union. Internationally, they leave the world in uncertainty as to how the global world order will develop with the Trump presidency.

These developments are of direct concern to the Humanity in Action community and to our mission as an international educational organization. The Humanity in Action network is responding to these frightening new realities and is preparing to create new ways to reaffirm the foundation on which its work is based: a belief that the strength of a democracy is to be measured by the treatment of its minorities, and a commitment to democratic values and the protection of minorities, which can never be taken for granted, especially in countries that pride themselves on their defense of liberal democratic standards.

Humanity in Action’s 20-year long focus on pluralism, diversity, democratic aspirations and resistance to the devaluing of democratic values apply to all – irrespective of race, religion, country of origin, gender or sexual orientation. Humanity in Action has developed a network of emerging and established leaders who are singularly qualified as defenders of our values.

The Eighth International Humanity in Action Conference enables 250 Humanity in Action Fellows and Senior Fellows to develop projects, create networks, and explore and formulate strategies to:

- Counter right-wing populist, nationalist and extremist positions on both sides of the Atlantic;
- Engage with individuals and communities that are committed to the
political processes, which form the basis for a strong democracy;

- Bridge the political, cultural and societal divisions in Europe and the United States;
- Reach out to individuals and communities that are drawn to nationalist and xenophobic policies and views; and
- Digitally and virtually act in favor of the above mentioned goals.

And what better place could there be to explore these issues than Berlin. Berlin is a city full of history and it boasts a vibrant present and promising future. Berlin has been confronting its troubled pasts in a plethora of remembrance spaces and educational initiatives. Berlin is a city, once divided, that today stands as a liberal hub in the European Union and, while it also has its shortcomings, it represents exciting perspectives of peace, art, diversity, entrepreneurship and a spirit of reconciliation.

Humanity in Action is deeply grateful to its supporters and organizational partners for their generous support, guidance and expertise. Without their help, this conference would not be possible.

Thank you very much for joining us. We look forward to another inspiring Humanity in Action International Conference.

Dr. Dirk Schmalenbach
Chair of the Board
Humanity in Action Germany

Neil Karbank
Interim Chair of the Board
Humanity in Action, Inc.
>> WEDNESDAY, JUNE 21

Optional Site Visit for Early Arrivals

18:00  Walking Tour: Berlin Wall Memorial  
*Location:* Visitor Center, Bernauer Straße 119, 13355 Berlin

>> THURSDAY, JUNE 22

Optional Site Visits for Early Arrivals

12:00 – 13:30  Museum Tour: Weimar Republic Until the Departure of the Allies in 1994  
*Location:* Deutsches Historisches Museum, Zeughaus and Exhibition Hall (Unter den Linden 2, 10117 Berlin)

Plenary Sessions at Pfefferberg

*Location:* Pfefferberg Theater (Schönhauser Allee 176, 10119 Berlin)

16:30 - 17:15  Conference Registration

17:15 – 17:20  **Film Screening**  
Andrew Benincasa (Artist, Paper-Cut Art and Handmade Animation)

17:20 - 17:50  **Opening Remarks: The Importance of History**  
Dr. Judith S. Goldstein (Founder and Executive Director, Humanity in Action)

17:50 – 17:55  **Action Project Video Presentation: ”Last Days in Dilley”**  
Project by Aseem Mehta (Humanity in Action Senior Fellow)

*Introduced by Owusu Akoto (Head of Transformation, UK Ministry of Justice; Humanity in Action Senior Fellow)*  
Dr. Klaus Scharioth (Dean, Mercator College for International
Affairs and Professor of Practice, The Fletcher School of Law and Diplomacy, Tufts University; Former German Ambassador to the United States)

18:55 – 19:00  **Action Project Video Presentation: “Space, Memory and Encounters”**
Project by Łukasz Posłuszny, Marissa Sophia Schneiderman and Michelle Shofet (Humanity in Action Senior Fellows)

19:00 - 20:00  **Keynote: The 'Illiberal Governance' Model in Hungary**
*Introduced by Maida Omerćehajić (Project Coordinator, Humanity in Action Bosnia and Herzegovina; Humanity in Action Senior Fellow)*
Prof. John Shattuck (Professor of Practice in Diplomacy, The Fletcher School, Tufts University; Senior Fellow, Harvard Kennedy School Carr Center for Human Rights Policy)

**Conference Dinners**

20:30  **Conference Dinners**

Senior Fellow Reunion Dinner
*Location:* Restaurant 12 Apostel (Georgenstraße 2, 10117 Berlin)

2017 Fellow Dinner
*Location:* Restaurant 12 Apostel (Georgenstraße 2, 10117 Berlin)

Board Member and Guest Dinner
*Location:* Restaurant Poulette (Knaackstraße 30, 10405 Berlin)
FRIDAY, JUNE 23

Plenary Sessions at Pfefferberg

Location: Pfefferberg Theater (Schönhauser Allee 176, 10119 Berlin)

8:30 – 9:00 Conference Registration

9:00 – 9:15 Welcome on Behalf of the German Senior Fellows Network
Lorenz Narku Laing and Linnea Riensberg (Humanity in Action Germany Board Members and Senior Fellows)

9:15 – 9:30 Introduction to the Day & Bertelsmann Foundation Video
Irene Braam (Executive Director, Bertelsmann Foundation)

9:30 - 10:30 Keynote: Trump and the End of the American Century
Introduced by Billy Blaustein (Strategy and Operations, Tesla; Humanity in Action Senior Fellow)
Martin S. Kaplan (Humanity in Action Board Member)

Project by Héctor Pascual Álvarez (Humanity in Action Senior Fellow)

10:35 – 11:50 Keynote: The Challenge of Trumpism
Introduced by Saim Saeed (Reporter, POLITICO; Humanity in Action Senior Fellow)
Andrea Young (Executive Director, American Civil Liberties Union of Georgia, US)

11:50 – 12:15 Break

Introduced by Jasmine Elliott (Business Ethics Coordinator, Norton Rose Fulbright LLP; Humanity in Action Senior Fellow)
Konstanty Gebert (International Columnist, Gazeta Wyborcza)

13:15 – 15:00 Lunch
Location: Restaurant Tauro
15:00 – 15:05  **Action Project Video Presentation: “Hate Speech”**
Project by Grazyna Baranowska (Humanity in Action Senior Fellow)

15:05 – 16:30  **Panel Discussion: Populism, Nationalism and Right-Wing Movements: The Case of Germany**
*Introduced by Thomas Huddleston (Program Director for Migration and Integration, Migration Policy Group; Humanity in Action Senior Fellow)*
- Dr. Nivedita Prasad (Professor, Alice Salomon University)
- Wenzel Michalski (Director, Human Rights Watch Germany)
- Sophie Pornschlegel (Project Manager, Progressives Zentrum)
- Moderator: Henry Alt-Haaker (Senior Project Manager, Robert Bosch Stiftung; Humanity in Action Board Member and Senior Fellow)

16:30  Break and change of location

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**Breakout Sessions at Pfefferberg**

*Location: Pfefferwerk [on site] (Schönhauser Allee 176, 10119 Berlin)*

16:45 – 18:45  **#MY100DayPlans - A Civic Action Campaign to Take an Action-a-Day for 100 Days to Directly Counteract Trump’s First 100 Days**
Michael Kunichika (Associate Professor of Russian, Amherst College and Visiting Assistant Professor, Harvard University; Humanity in Action Senior Fellow)  
*Room: Balkonraum*

16:45 – 18:45  **Islamist Extremism: Where Does Religion Fit into the Picture?**
Jasamin Ulfat-Seddiqzai (PhD Candidate, Postcolonial Studies, University Duisburg-Essen; Humanity in Action Senior Fellow)  
*Room: Schwarzer Pfeffer*
16:45 – 18:45  Moving Beyond #refugeeswelcome to Movements, Infrastructure and Political Actions: Challenges and Ways Forward
Thomas Huddleston (Program Director for Migration and Integration, Migration Policy Group; Humanity in Action Senior Fellow)
Room: Weißer Pfeffer

16:45 – 18:45  Senior Fellow Discussion: Fighting Xenophobia from Above and Below
• Janina Pescinski (United Nations University Institute on Globalization, Culture and Mobility, Spain; Humanity in Action Senior Fellow)
• Pinar Sayan (Turkey Director, Imagine Center for Conflict Transformation; Humanity in Action Senior Fellow)
• Lumir Lapray (Strategy Consultant; President of Optimist; Humanity in Action Senior Fellow)
Room: Smartboard-Raum

16:45 – 18:45  La République en Marche into an Unknown Future?!
Claude Grunitzky (Chairman and Editor-in-Chief, TRUE Africa; Humanity in Action Board Member)
Room: Roter Salon

Location: Conference Center Weiberwirtschaft (Anklamer Straße 38, 10115 Berlin)

17:00 – 19:00  Technology and Politics
An off-the-record discussion with a Humanity in Action Senior Fellow working in the technology sector
Room 3

Location: Humanity in Action Seminar Room (Kollwitzstraße 94, 10435 Berlin)

17:00 – 19:00  Workshop: Hip-Hop and Elections
Aisha Fukushima (‘RAPtivist’ – Artist and Activist; Humanity in Action Senior Fellow)

Site Visits

Location: Amadeu Antonio Stiftung (Novalisstraße 12, 10115 Berlin)
17:00 – 19:00  **Hate Speech in Social Media: ”Debate Dehate”**
Johannes Baldauf (Project Manager, Amadeu Antonio Stiftung)

**City Walks**

17:15 – 19:00  **City Walk: The Role of Women During German Pre-Colonial Missionary and Colonial Periods**
Jacqueline Mayen (Institut für diskriminierungsfreie Bildung/ Institute for Education Without Discrimination)
*Start: Institut für Europäische Ethnologie/Institute for European Ethnology (Mohrenstraße* 40-41, 10117 Berlin)*
**”Mohren” is a derogatory German term for Black people and the naming of this street is therefore politically controversial. However, due to our international audience, we display the official name as found in city guides and maps.**

17:15 – 19:00  **City Walk: The (Formerly) Homeless Show Their Berlin**
*Start: Bahnhof Zoologischer Garten | End: Stuttgarter Platz*

17:15 – 19:00  **City Walk: Refugees Show Their Berlin**
*Start: U-Bahn Karl-Marx-Str. | End: Sharehaus Refugio*

17:15 – 19:00  **City Walk: Berlin as a Memorial Landscape**
*Start: Memorial to the Murdered Jews of Europe (Cora-Berliner-Straße 1, 10117 Berlin)*

**Upon Invitation**

*Location: Humanity in Action, Germany Board Chair Dirk Schmalenbach and Alexandra Erlhoff (Christburger Straße 19, 10405 Berlin)*

19:30 – 21:30  Reception on Behalf of the German Board of Directors

**Optional Programming for Senior Fellows**

*Location: Mauerpark (Eberswalder Straße 2, 10437 Berlin)*

21:00 - 23:00  Happy Hour
SATURDAY, JUNE 24

Plenary Sessions at Pfefferberg

Location: Pfefferberg Theater (Schönhauser Allee 176, 10119 Berlin)

8:45-9:15  Conference Registration

9:15-9:30  Introduction to the Day

9:30-10:00  Performance: The World Is Y/Ours: Reflections of a Global RAPtivist

*Introduced by Saad Malik (Humanity in Action Senior Fellow)*
Aisha Fukushima (‘RAPtivist’ – Artist and Activist; Humanity in Action Senior Fellow)

10:00-11:30  Panel Discussion: Looking at Ourselves, Looking for Ourselves - How Identity Politics Empower and Paralyze Us

*Introduced by Nina Lazarczyk (National Coordinator, Centre for Antitrust and Regulatory Studies, University of Warsaw; Humanity in Action Senior Fellow)*

- Dr. Şeyda Emek (Visiting Scholar, Columbia University)
- Jan Techau (Director, Richard C. Holbrooke Forum for the Study of Diplomacy and Governance, American Academy in Berlin)
- Moderator: Dr. Sergey Lagodinsky (Head of Department European Union/North America, Heinrich Böll Foundation, Berlin)

11:30-11:35  Action Project Video Presentation: “Girl Power Academy”

Project by Sylwia Wodzińska (Humanity in Action Senior Fellow)

11:35-13:10  Panel Discussion: (Re-)Claiming Space - New Forms of Civic and Political Engagement

*Introduced by Sarah Asmelash (Student Assistant, Vrije Universiteit; Humanity in Action Senior Fellow)*

- Barbara Nowacka (Organizer and Chair, Polish “Save Women” Initiative; Activist, “Czarny [Black] Protest” Movement)
- Márton Gulyás (Founder, Common Country Movement, Hungary)
• Sophie Ellman-Golan (Deputy Head of Socials and Outreach, Women’s March, US)
• Moderators: Antje Scheidler (International Director of European Programs and National Director, Humanity in Action, Germany) and Monika Mazur-Rafał (National Director, President of the Managing Board, Humanity in Action, Poland)

13:10-15:00 Lunch Break
Pfefferberg [on site] (Schönhauser Allee 176, 10119 Berlin)

15:00-16:00 Working in the European Parliament: Personal Reflections and Strategies
Introduced by Sanne Hettema (Head Language, Labour Market & Children, New Home Rotterdam; Humanity in Action Senior Fellow)
Mariëtje Schaake (Member of European Parliament – D66/ALDE; Humanity in Action Senior Fellow)

16:00-16:05 Action Project Video Presentation: “Indigenous Corps of Discovery”
Project by DeLesslin “Roo” George-Warren (Humanity in Action Senior Fellow)

16:05 – 16:20 Closing Remarks
Dr. Judith S. Goldstein (Founder and Executive Director, Humanity in Action)

16:20 Change of location

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Breakout Sessions

Location: Pfefferwerk [on site] (Schönhauser Allee 176, 10119 Berlin)

16:30-18:30 Social Cohesion and the Future of Israel
Mike Prashker (Senior Advisor for Strategic Partnerships, The Ted Arison Family Foundation and Ruach Tova)
Room: Weißer Pfeffer
16:30-18:30  Gay Populism: Has the Western European Far Right Become Gay-Friendly?
Patrick Wielowiejski (PhD Candidate, European Ethnology, Humboldt University Berlin; Humanity in Action Senior Fellow)
Room: Balkonraum

16:30-18:30  It's High Time! Embracing Disability in Human Rights Activism
Magdalena Szarota (Board Member/Communications Director, Humanity in Action Poland)
Room: Smartboard-Raum

16:30-18:30  Workshop: Unleashing Organizational Energy – Leadership Skills to Empower Your Team and Organization for the Social Good
• Linnea Riensberg (Business Coach and Team Developer, Linnea Riensberg - Coaching; Humanity in Action Board Member and Senior Fellow)
• Lukas Goltermann (Policy Advisor/Team Leader, VENRO; Humanity in Action Senior Fellow)
Room: Roter Salon

16:30-18:30  Voting Behavior of the Far Right in the European Parliament
Pinar Sayan (Turkey Director, Imagine Center for Conflict Transformation; Humanity in Action Senior Fellow)
Room: Schwarzer Pfeffer

Location: Conference Center Weiberwirtschaft (Anklamer Straße 38, 10115 Berlin)

17:00-19:00  Apply the Change You Want to See: About Ethical Campaigning
Laurène Bounaud (Executive Director, Transparency International France; Humanity in Action Senior Fellow)
Room 2

17:00-19:00  Workshop: The Academic Study of Human Rights: Pathways, Pitfalls and Possibilities
Noam Schimmel (Visiting Fellow, Kellogg College, University of Oxford; Humanity in Action Senior Fellow)
Room 3
Site Visits
Location: Visitor Center, Bernauer Straße 119, 13355 Berlin
17:00-19:00 Walking Tour: Berlin Wall Memorial

Location: EOTO (Müllerstraße 56-58, 13349 Berlin)
17:00-19:00 EOTO: Introducing Each One Teach One – A Community-Based Education and Empowerment Project
Daniel Gyamerah (Spokesperson, Each One Teach One e.V.)

Location: Niederkirchnerstraße 8, 10963 Berlin
17:00-18:30 Exhibition Tour: Topography of Terror – Gestapo, SS and Reich Security

City Walk
17:15-19:00 City Walk: Berlin as a Memorial Landscape
Start: Memorial to the Murdered Jews of Europe (Cora-Berliner-Straße 1, 10117 Berlin)

17:15-19:00 City Walk: Refugees Show Their Berlin
Start: Checkpoint Charlie | End: Unter den Linden

Conference Dinner
20:00-22:00 Closing Dinner (Board Members)
Location: Restaurant Zum dritten Mann (Kollwitzstraße 87, 10435 Berlin)

20:00-00:30 Dinner & Closing Party (2017 Fellows and Senior Fellows)
Location: Pfefferwerk [on site] (Schönhauser Allee 176, 10119 Berlin)
SUNDAY, JUNE 25

Day of departure

Closing Meetings of 2017 Humanity in Action Fellows
Location: Pfefferbett Hostel (Christinenstraße 18-19, 10119 Berlin)

08:00 Team Copenhagen
    Breakfast

09:30 Team Amsterdam
    Breakfast

09:30 Team Warsaw
    Breakfast

10:30 Team Sarajevo
    Breakfast

10:30 Team Berlin
    Breakfast

10:00-13:00 Strategic Planning Meeting for Humanity in Action Board Chairs
    Location: Humanity in Action Seminar Room (Kollwitzstraße 94, 10435 Berlin)

11:00-12:30 Senior Fellows Brunch
    Location: Auster Restaurant (Haus der Kulturen der Welt, John-Foster-Dulles-Allee 10, 10557 Berlin)

13:00 – 18:00 International Staff Meeting
    Location: Humanity in Action Seminar Room (Kollwitzstraße 94, 10435 Berlin)
Irene Braam

Irene Braam joined the Bertelsmann Foundation North America as executive director in April 2016. She is also the first vice president and board director of the Bertelsmann Foundation Board of Directors. Irene is an experienced lawyer and media expert, and has worked for over ten years with the Bertelsmann company. She began as director of government relations of the Brussels Liaison Office in 2005 and became senior vice president of government relations in September 2011. After studying law at Maastricht University, the Dutch native began her professional career in 1998 in the music industry. Irene was head of international, legal and business affairs at Naïve Records in Paris, in charge of business development for Midbar Tech Ltd. in Tel Aviv, and served as both director of public policy and government affairs and director of legal and business affairs at the Universal Music Group in London and Brussels. Irene is a native speaker of Dutch, and also speaks English, German, French and some Spanish.

SOPHIE ELLMAN-GOLAN

Sophie Ellman-Golan is Deputy Head of Socials and Outreach at Women's March. She is a committed activist working on issues of racial and gender justice, queer liberation and police violence. A member leader on the Campaign for Police Accountability and the Legislative Working Group at Jews for Racial & Economic Justice (JFREJ), Sophie is a proud member of the #JewishResistance. Prior to joining the Women’s March team, she worked at Everytown for Gun Safety, the largest gun violence prevention organization in the United States. She holds a BA from Barnard College in Africana Studies and Human Rights.
ŞEYDA EMEK
Dr. Şeyda Emek is a former German administrative judge and an expert in constitutional law, European human rights law and administrative law with a wide range of practical experience in public service. She has served, e.g., as a clerk at the German Constitutional Court and at the German Federal Government. Seyda pursued law studies in Germany and the United Kingdom and holds a doctorate in law from Ludwigs-Maximilians-University Munich. She is the recipient of the 2016 Fellowship of the Bruno-Kreisky-Forum for International Dialogue in Vienna, Austria and is currently a visiting scholar at Columbia University in the City of New York.

AISHA FUKUSHIMA
Aisha Fukushima is a singer, speaker, educator and ‘RAPtivist’ (rap activist). Aisha founded RAPtivism (Rap Activism), a global hip hop project spanning nearly 20 countries and four continents, highlighting the ways culture can contribute to universal efforts for freedom and justice by challenging oppression with expression. She is a multilingual, multiracial African American Japanese woman whose work is influenced by her global upbringing with roots spanning from her birthplace of Seattle, Washington to her other hometown of Yokohama, Japan. As a leader of the ‘RAPtivism’ project, Aisha has done solidarity-building work through hip-hop from the US to France, Morocco, Japan, Germany, England, South Africa, Senegal, India, Denmark and beyond. Aisha’s ‘RAPtivism’ work has been featured by Oprah Magazine, KQED Public Television, The Seattle Times, TV 2M Morocco, The Bangalore Mirror, HYPE and South Africa’s #1 Hip Hop Magazine, among others. She has also been honored with World Trust’s Love In Action Award for Global Hip-Hop Leadership as well as with a myriad of US State Department Cultural Grants Awards spanning from Belarus to Kazakhstan, Nepal and Jerusalem. Aisha is a Humanity in Action Senior Fellow (The Netherlands 2007).
Konstanty Gebert is an Associate Fellow at the European Council for Foreign Relations and an international reporter and columnist at *Gazeta Wyborcza*, Poland’s largest daily publication. He also serves as a Special Advisor on International Affairs with Humanity in Action. During the 1970s, he was a democratic opposition activist and organizer of the Jewish Flying University; while in the 1980s, under martial law, he was an underground journalist. He covered the Bosnian War between 1992 and 1995 for Polish and international media. He is the co-founder of the Polish Council of Christians and Jews and the founder of *Midrasz*, a monthly Polish Jewish intellectual publication. Konstanty serves as a board member for the Taube Centre for the Renewal of Jewish Life in Poland as well as the Einstein Forum in Potsdam, Germany, and the Advisory Board of the Dutch Jewish Humanitarian Fund in Amsterdam. He has taught across Poland, Israel and the United States. He has authored ten books, which examine topics such as: the Polish democratic transformation, French policy toward Poland, the Yugoslav wars, the wars of Israel, Torah commentary and post-war Polish Jewry. His essays have appeared in two dozen publications in Poland and abroad, and his articles have been featured in newspapers around the world.

Judith S. Goldstein founded Humanity in Action in 1997 and has served as its Executive Director ever since. Under Judith’s leadership, Humanity in Action has organized educational programs on international affairs, diversity and human rights in Bosnia and Herzegovina, Denmark, France, Germany, Greece, Poland, the Netherlands and the United States. She received her PhD in history from Columbia University and was a Woodrow Wilson Scholar for her MA studies. Judith has written several books and articles about European and American history, art and landscape architecture.
She is a member of the Council on Foreign Relations and several boards and advisory groups.

**MÁRTON GULYÁS**

Márton Gulyás is an activist, cultural curator, host of Hungary’s most famous political youtube channel and founder of Common Country Movement (CCM). He was the managing director of Kréta (Chalk Circle), an independent theater company until 2014. Since 2014, he has been working as an independent curator, activist, filmmaker and organizer. Currently, Márton is leading CCM in order to achieve a comprehensive, structural reform of the Hungarian electoral system for the 2018 general election.

**MARTIN S. KAPLAN**

Martin S. Kaplan is a retired partner of WilmerHale in Boston and New York. After graduating from Harvard Law School, he clerked on the US Court of Appeals. He has served as Chair of the Massachusetts Board of Education, National Chair of the American Jewish Committee’s Interreligious Affairs Commission, Board Member of the Boston Foundation and many other non-profit organizations, private and public corporations and foundations. As managing trustee of charitable foundations, he has been a leader in environmental, education, civic and human rights funding. An active alumni leader at Columbia College, he received the Columbia University Medal and Columbia College John Jay Award. Martin and his wife, Wendy Tarlow Kaplan, an art curator, reside in New York.
SERGEY LAGODINSKY

Sergey Lagodinsky’s areas of expertise include transatlantic relations, international and constitutional law, as well as law and politics of diversity and integration. Sergey is a regular guest and contributor to major media outlets. He has appeared among others on the BBC World Service, Deutschlandfunk, Radio Liberty and various other radio stations. He is a regular guest on Deutsche Welle TV and a political host and commentator on RTVi (an international Russian speaking TV network). His commentaries have been published by the Süddeutsche Zeitung, Handelsblatt, taz and Tagesspiegel, among others. Prior to joining the Heinrich Böll Foundation, Sergey was an attorney with Orrick, Herrington & Sutcliffe LLP. From 2003 to 2008, Sergey was program director, and later advisor to the Director of the Berlin office of the American Jewish Committee (AJC). In 2010, Sergey was a Yale World Fellow in residence at Yale University in New Haven. Sergey holds a PhD in Law from the Berlin’s Humboldt University, a law degree from the University of Göttingen and an MA in public administration from Harvard University.

LORENZ NARKU LAING

Lorenz Narku Laing volunteers as the chairman of the Black Youth of Germany, and as student senator, he is the chairman of the student council, a member of the senate and a member of the Commission for Scholarships at Zeppelin University. Narku is able to complete his MA in Politics, Administration and International Politics thanks to the support of scholarships from Zeppelin University and the Hans-Bockler-Foundation. He is a trained Peer Diversity Trainer and has led projects such as www.vielfaltprojekte.de for the Hesse Broadcasting Company, Brot für die Welt and Paritätisches Bildungswerk. Narku is a trained tutor with a special interest in writing and seminar leadership. He is trained in pastoral care and was active for many years in special needs schools and youth centers in
Frankfurt/Main. He has participated in research projects in religious diversity, homelessness in youth and Black Nationalistic Religions in Jamaica. During his time abroad studying at King’s College London, Narku produced a blog dealing with themes of diversity for the Frankfurter Neue Presse. He is a Humanity in Action Senior Fellow (Germany 2014) and a member of the Board of Directors of Humanity in Action, Germany.

MONIKA MAZUR-RAFAŁ

Winston Churchill once said that attitude is a little thing that makes a big difference. Having witnessed systemic changes in Poland, Monika became fascinated by politics and studied international relations with a focus on German studies and European integration. As her interests were broad, she graduated with two master’s diplomas from the Warsaw University and Warsaw School of Economics/Sciences Politiques Paris. Later on, Monika took part in international exchange programs, first at Free University Berlin and then at Humboldt University Berlin, combined with working at one of the parliamentarian offices in the German Bundestag. Subsequently she wanted to find ways of putting the gained knowledge into practice, she started working at a think-tank – the Center for International Relations, and after that she worked at the International Organization for Migration, where she was a project coordinator and a researcher on migration policy issues. Since 2005, Monika was involved in developing Humanity in Action Fellowship in Poland and subsequently established Humanity in Action Poland. Since then, she has been responsible for leading its educational programs and serves as its President and Director. Over the years, while leading Humanity in Action Poland, she developed a special interest in the field of linking history and human rights education, and thanks to practice and dialogue with other experts from Poland and Europe, she built substantial expertise in designing teaching methods and practical curricula.
In her very limited spare time, she enjoys reading, diving and snowboarding. Monika is a passionate dancer.

**WENZEL MICHALSKI**

Wenzel Michalski joined Human Rights Watch in September 2010 as the Germany Director, responsible mainly for Communications and Advocacy. Before joining HRW, Wenzel worked in journalism for more than 20 years, mostly in news and current affairs. He was managing editor, presenter and London bureau chief for ProSiebenSat1, one of Germany’s leading broadcasters. Prior to that, he was commissioning editor for documentaries at ARD/NDR public television. In his new position, Wenzel's highest priority will be to ensure that Germany has a stronger voice in support of human rights. Wenzel graduated from Hamburg University where he studied history and politics.

**BARBARA NOWACKA**

Barbara Nowacka is a feminist, politician and progressive activist. She holds an MBA and is an IT specialist by education. She is co-chair of the “Twój Ruch” Party, a member of the Women’s Congress National Council and chair of the political association “Initiative Poland.” She is also co-founder and deputy chair of the Izabela Jaruga-Nowacka Foundation, an organization which aims to promote equality, social justice and social inclusion. Barbara headed the election committee for the “United Left” coalition during the 2015 Polish parliamentary election. In 2016, she organized and chaired the “Save women” initiative, a civil bill which aimed to liberalize abortion laws in Poland. In October 2016, in response to an attempt by the political right to implement a total ban on abortion, Barbara became a leading figure in the “Czarny Protest” action, a massive nationwide demonstration.
which ultimately succeeded in forcing the political right to back down. For her role in “Czarny Protest,” she was ranked one of the Top 100 Global Thinkers of 2016 by Foreign Policy magazine.

**SOPHIE PORNСHLEGEL**

Sophie Pornschlegel is project manager within the "Democracy Lab“ at the independent think tank "Das Progressive Zentrum.” She previously worked as a junior consultant for Navos, an agency specializing in public affairs and media relations, where she primarily advised a diversity management initiative. She currently is an Executive Board Member and Head of the “Post Brexit Europe” Program Area for the grassroots think tank Polis180. Born in France, she studied Politics in Paris and London and gained work experience in the European Commission, in a Labour MP’s office in Westminster and in film production companies. In her free time she co-hosts a podcast on migration issues.

**NIVEDITA PRASAD**

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ANDREA YOUNG

Andrea Young joined the American Civil Liberties Union (ACLU) of Georgia as Executive Director in January 2017. Under her leadership, the organization has grown in influence, impact and membership. The organization is battling injustice and inequity through the courts – fighting for the rights of transgender Georgians to be themselves without discrimination, for the rights of citizens to challenge unconstitutional state laws and for the rights of parents to raise their children without government interference. In the state capitol, the ACLU of Georgia worked successfully with other civil rights groups to stop anti-LGBT legislation, block attempts to weaken the voting power of minority communities through redistricting and ensure colleges and universities can continue to protect survivors of sexual assault. To catalyze civil rights activism at the grassroots level, the ACLU of Georgia
launched Freedom School trainings for local activists and volunteers. Andrea has devoted her career to promoting policies to defend and extend civil and human rights. Prior to joining the ACLU, she taught leadership and social policy at Georgia State University, was the founding Executive Director of the Andrew Young Foundation and created the Making of Modern Atlanta Project that included an archive, documentary film and book.
SPEAKERS
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Henry Alt-Haaker has been a Member of the Board of Humanity in Action Germany since 2012. A Humanity in Action Senior Fellow (Germany 2005), he co-founded and chaired the German and European Alumni organization and has stayed in touch with Humanity in Action ever since. He served on international strategic boards and as a senior advisor on governance issues in 2008. Since 2013, Henry is a program officer at the Berlin Representative Office of the Robert Bosch Stiftung where his primary responsibilities encompass the foundation’s activities in the area of Peace and Conflict Prevention & Transformation. Before joining the Foundation, Henry headed the parliamentary office of German Minister of Justice Sabine Leutheusser-Schnarrenberger as chief clerk, served as political officer at the Canadian Embassy in Berlin and worked in two offices of German Members of Parliament. His expertise includes topics of migration and integration, German politics and European and transatlantic affairs. He is alumnus of several German foundations, including the German National Academic Foundation, the Foundation of German Business and the Hertie Foundation. After studying German Literature and Philosophy at Humboldt University in Berlin, Sorbonne University in Paris and Washington University in St. Louis, he obtained an MPP at the Hertie School of Governance in Berlin.

JOHANNES BALDAUF

Johannes Baldauf, MA, studied Literary Studies and Comparative Literature, German as a Foreign Language and Jewish Studies in Berlin, Potsdam and Jena. Since 2008 he has dealt with the phenomena of right-wing extremism, anti-semitism and conspiracy theories online, first for the German VZ social media networks, and after 2011, for the project no-nazi.net. He counts on long-standing experiences as a speaker about the forms of appearance of neo-nazis, as well as right-wing extremist group
members, about conspiracy theories online and about functional counter-strategies in social media networks. Since 2014, he has coordinated no-nazi.net under the umbrella of the Amadeu Antonio Foundation.

ANDREW BENINCASA

Andrew Benincasa makes paper-cut art, stop-motion animations and stories. Andrew had pursued literature, languages and education early on, but in his mid-twenties, made a shift to creating and performing shadow puppet shows. He performed for small audiences, week after week, year after year, developing his aesthetic. During this time, he taught himself paper-cut art, composition and eventually animation. Andrew now operates from his studio in Brooklyn, NY, as a freelance artist, making artwork, lightboxes and animations for clients, as well as working on his own projects. He is currently at work on an animated adaptation of the Book of Job. To see more of his work, and/or to contact him, go to: www.andrewbenincasa.com.

LAURÈNE BOUNAUD

Laurène Bounaud has about 8 years of experience helping established and emerging leaders transforming their visions into actions. She holds an MA in Communication from the Institut d’Etudes Politiques of Toulouse and an MA in Political Science from La Sorbonne University in Paris. Starting as a political assistant tackling issues of social cohesion and territorial equality, she served communities often deprived of their right to a voice in the national debate, before feeling the need to step out of the political bubble and look for new ways to empower people. In 2010, Humanity in Action provided the space for her to grow and gain a deeper understanding of the mechanisms leading to discrimination, to discover concrete methodologies to foster social change and an international network of like-minded peers. For the next 5 years, from
Senior Fellow to National Director of the French branch of Humanity in Action, she actively contributed to the emergence of a new generation of social innovators in Europe and the US. Laurène recently joined Transparency International France - a leading organization in the fight against corruption - where she became Executive Director in 2017, combining her enthusiasm for citizen mobilization and her commitment to values of justice and democracy. Her responsibilities now include strategic planning, institutional relations and team management. Laurène is a Humanity in Action Senior Fellow (France 2010).

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CLAUDE GRUNITZKY

Claude Grunitzky is the founder of TRACE and TRUE Africa, a media tech platform championing young African voices all over the world. In November 2016, TRUE Africa secured funding from Google's Digital News Initiative, which is Google's €150 million commitment to spark new thinking and give European news organizations of all sizes the space to try new things, experiment and innovate in news journalism. Previously, Claude and two business partners completed a multimillion-dollar financing deal led by Goldman Sachs Group. As a result, the TRACE brand is now being leveraged globally across various television, event and interactive platforms. TRACE, which now reaches an audience of more than 100 million people across 150 countries, was successfully sold to a French investor group in July 2010. Claude was raised between Lomé, Togo; Washington, DC; Paris and London. Growing up, Claude, who speaks six languages and carries three passports, was exposed to many different cultures. These foreign interactions shaped his transcultural philosophy and informed the creative energy of his media ventures. A graduate of MIT and a French American Foundation Young Leader, Claude is also an active curator working across three continents. He also sits on the board of the Watermill Center, a laboratory of inspiration and performance, founded by theater and visual artist Robert Wilson. Claude is the author of Transculturalism: How the World is Coming Together (PowerHouse Books) and Transculturalismes (Éditions Grasset). He is also a Humanity in Action Board Member.
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Daniel Gyamerah is the spokesperson of Each One Teach One (EOTO) e.V. He is leading the organization from being a small, voluntary-based organization toward becoming a central actor of empowering the African descendent community in Germany. In his daytime he is responsible for Citizens For Europe’s flagship project “Diversity in Leadership.” He develops strategies for inclusion and advocates for equality data collection and anti-discrimination legislation. Daniel is passionate about community-, infrastructure- and trust building. He has done research on the education system, taught as a Teach First Germany fellow at a secondary school and worked both at the German Bundestag and the German Embassy in Ghana. He holds a BA in Politics and Administration and an MPP from the Hertie School of Governance.

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MICHAEL KUNICHIKA

Michael Kunichika teaches and writes about Russian literature and culture, cinema and critical theory. He is an associate professor of Russian at Amherst College, having held faculty appointments at New York University and Harvard. His research, including his award-winning “Our Native Antiquity” (2015), has been supported with a senior fellowship at the Davis Center for Russian and Eurasian Studies at Harvard and with a membership at the Institute for Advanced Study (Princeton, NJ). He is currently working on two projects: the first, a study of anti-imperialism and Soviet avant-garde cinema; the other, a series of essays on the study of prehistoric archaeology during late socialism. He is a Humanity in Action Senior Fellow (The Netherlands 1999), a member of its International Board of Directors since 2011 and an intern on its various national programs, for which he received Humanity in Action’s inaugural Louis Rabineau Award.

LUMIR LAPRAY

Lumir Lapray grew up in a village of 70 and graduated from Sciences Po Lyon in Spring 2015, with a double Master’s in Public Policy and Ethnic & Minorities Studies. She spent time at UCLA as a visiting scholar in the Sociology PhD program and wrote her thesis on the intersection of migration, race, gender and unionism, exploring how Angelenas were reshaping the labor movement, based off the 2015 “Raise the Wage” campaign. Upon graduation, she was selected to work as a Lantos Fellow and spent 5 months in the office of Juan Vargas (CA-51), handling labor issues, access to vote and women’s rights. She wrote a piece of legislation, the “Mobile Voting Act”, designed to help remote citizens (Native Americans, rural and senior citizens) vote. Now back in France, she works for the first social economy-based strategy consulting firm. Along with Senior Fellow Laura Cahier, she created Optimist, a non-profit aiming to promote access to higher education for
youth from disadvantaged backgrounds. They were the recipients of the 2017 Humanity in Action Grant Competition, and intend on making the diverse voices of rural youth heard in French society. Lumir is a Humanity in Action Senior Fellow (France 2014).

JACQUELINE MAYEN

Jacqueline Mayen holds a BA in Cultural Anthropology and Communication as well as an MA in African Studies. Besides giving postcolonial city tours, the Berlin native has worked as a freelance editor for diasporic media platforms, NGOs and a German broadcasting station. In 2014, she contributed an essay to the book-anthology “Sister and Souls – Inspirationen durch May Ayim,” which reflects on contemporary representations of Black people/women* in German media. In 2016, she joined a feminist collective, which organized the second Black Lives Matter rally in Berlin and has recently formed itself as Black Lives Matter Berlin.

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Janina Pescinski is a Junior Research Fellow at the United Nations University Institute on Globalization, Culture and Mobility in Barcelona. Her current research takes a human rights approach to migration, with a particular focus on the Mediterranean, and she has also worked on questions of female agency and humanitarian assistance to migrants. Previously, Janina worked for Amnesty International in Paris conducting research on West Africa, and as a development associate at the Women and Health Alliance International. She earned her BA in Cultural Anthropology at Rutgers University and MA in Human Rights at Sciences Po Paris. Janina is a Humanity in Action Senior Fellow (The Netherlands 2012).
MIKE PRASHKER

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LINNEA RIENSBERG

Linnea Riensberg works as a team developer, facilitator and coach — mostly for non-profits and political organizations. She started her own business in the beginning of 2016. Previously, she was executive director of Publixphere e.V., an NGO trying to form political discussion online and offline in a more attractive way. After completing her degree in Journalism, Communications and Philosophy, Linnea worked with digital human rights under an Italian representative in the European Parliament and later as managing director at the German-based NGO Digitale Gesellschaft e.V. Linnea is a Humanity in Action Senior Fellow (Germany 2011) and has been a Board Member of Humanity in Action Germany since 2015.
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PATRICK WIELOWIEJSKI
Patrick Wielowiejski studied Cultural Studies, Gender Studies and Linguistics in London, Berlin and Oslo. He is currently a PhD candidate in the department of European Ethnology at Humboldt University Berlin, researching gay-friendliness in the European far right. In both academia and activism, Patrick concerns himself with a queer movement beyond identity politics that acknowledges the interrelations between all kinds of social struggles. Recently, he helped to organize a solidarity campaign with Warsaw Pride (“Parada Równości”). Patrick has been active in different contexts, among them the Young Islam Conference in Germany and AFS Intercultural Programs. Patrick is a Humanity in Action Fellow (Germany 2016).

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BREAKOUT SESSIONS

Apply the Change You Want To See: About Ethical Campaigning
Laurène Bounaud (Executive Director, Transparency International France; Humanity in Action Senior Fellow)

As Human rights activists, we tend to believe that because our causes are just, we do not need to question how we try to convey our messages. What matters is efficiency. Articulating short-term goals with a long-term vision is key to the success of campaigns. Through concrete examples, Senior Fellow Laurène Bounaud will show how to apply principles such as transparency and accountability in human rights work to be even more impactful in the long run. Laurène will also introduce the participants of this breakout session to Transparency International’s work on fighting corruption, protecting whistleblowers and promoting transparency.

Gay Populism: Has the Western European Far Right Become Gay-Friendly?
Patrick Wielowiejski (PhD Candidate, European Ethnology, Humboldt University Berlin; Humanity in Action Senior Fellow)

Right-wing populist parties in Western Europe are increasingly beginning to appear as defenders of liberal “Western values.” Thus, some of them are advocating for the acceptance of homosexuality. In the past, homosexuals as have traditionally been understood as “Others” — a threat to the nation, mainly because of their association with non-reproductivity and disease (and thus, disloyalty and death). However, with recent successes in the field of LGBT rights throughout the West, this association has been challenged: in many countries, homosexuals now can marry, settle down to family life, and serve in the military. This new discourse constitutes an historical shift since homosexuals have traditionally been attacked by the far right rather than courted. At the same time, it can be observed that the rhetoric of “gay-friendliness” as a “Western value” goes hand in hand with (anti-Muslim) racism: Homophobia is seen as a problem in Europe because — such goes the argument — there are too many Muslims there. Senior Fellow Patrick Wielowiejski looks at this phenomenon from an anthropological perspective: How is tolerance of homosexuals discussed, discursively justified, and integrated into nationalist self-images by right-wing populist parties in Western Europe? He does not ask if right-wing populists are gay-friendly or not, but rather what the discourses and practices are, owing to which they can understand themselves as gay-friendly. In other words: How does neo-nationalism, according to the logic of right-wing populists, become a nationalism that is, at least in principle, open for gays and lesbians, as opposed to traditional forms of nationalism? In his contribution, Patrick is also going to interrogate the ways populist radical right parties are
responding to, and in fact adopting, homonormative and homonationalist ideas.

Islamist Extremism: Where Does Religion Fit into the Picture?
Jasamin Ulfat-Seddiqzai (PhD Candidate, Postcolonial Studies, University of Duisburg-Essen; Humanity in Action Senior Fellow)

In the last decade, Islamist extremism has been on the front pages of European newspapers. Horrifying attacks render many people speechless, while — simultaneously — the debate about the underlying reasons for Islamist terror becomes increasingly heated and subjective. Muslims, and huge parts of the so-called political left, have been quick to claim that militant extremism “has nothing to do with Islam,” but rarely do they fully analyze the reasons why some young men (and fewer women) have started to accept the deadly message of groups like ISIL as legitimate teachings of Islam, and why some of these youth go as far as to sacrifice their lives to murder innocent civilians. To declare that precarious living situations or a feeling of being “left behind” by Western society is to be blamed for radicalization among Muslim youth feels both shallow and one-sided. The European right, on the other hand, has endeavored to derail the conversation by declaring that “not all Muslims are terrorists, but all terrorists are Muslim,” thereby delegitimizing anyone who questions what role religion, and specifically Islam, plays in the radicalization of young Europeans. Left unanswered are questions like: What makes young Muslims susceptible to ISIL’s propaganda? Is Islamist terrorism really unrelated to Islam itself? Jasamin Ulfat-Seddiqzai, a German Muslim herself, will lead a session that aims at finding a nuanced answer without falling into the trap of demonizing a whole religion, while simultaneously acknowledging that Muslim communities have a problem with a fringe group that tries to radicalize its young people.

It’s High Time! Embracing Disability in Human Rights Activism
Magdalena Szarota (Board Member/Communications Director, Humanity in Action, Poland)

Disabled people constitute one of the most discriminated, politically underrepresented and socio-culturally invisible populations across the world. The logic and practice of neoliberal capitalism is fueled by implicit and explicit ableism, which further renders disabled people as unproductive and not-fit-enough hence burdensome and undesirable for the society. Moreover, disability is mainly conceptualized as a stigmatizing category which operates in myriad ways in political and socio-cultural discourses to the detriment of not only disabled people but to all people and forms of embodiments, that are framed as deviating from the accepted ‘norm.’ Despite the gravity of the problem and immediate effects it has on modern societies, disability and
disabled people are mostly overlooked in/by public debates, academic studies and artistic practices. Unfortunately, the mainstream human rights movement and human rights organizations tend to replicate this tendency as well as are often uncritical about their own ableistic activists practices. In turn, this status quo makes it even more difficult for disability activists to apply human rights paradigms and engage with human rights activists networks. Magda argues that it is high time (and it’s extremely timely) that the human rights movement and disabled people’s movement form closer alliances that inform and enrich their philosophies, actions and societal outcomes. During the session, participants will explore the key disability human rights ‘tool’ — the United Nation’s Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities, and the ways each and every human rights activist can start embracing disability in their initiatives.

La République en Marche into an Unknown Future?!
Claude Grunitzky (Chairman and Editor-in-Chief, TRUE Africa; Humanity in Action Board Member)

Emmanuel Macron was elected president after promising he would create new types of jobs for the youth. He explained how the French State would retrain them and help them start small businesses. He promotes globalization and modernization and digital startups and access to culture. He stands up to Trump and Putin, welcomes immigrants and refugees, and advocates further European integration, yet many French citizens remain disillusioned with the new president’s political discourse. With the rise of Islamic radicalization, Marine Le Pen continues to speak confidently to constituencies across France, and despite her defeat she remains unapologetic about her Islamophobia, and the National Front’s blame-immigrants-first manifesto. How can the French president go about uniting France, and Europe?

Moving Beyond #refugeeswelcome to Movements, Infrastructure and Political Actions: Challenges and Ways Forward
Thomas Huddleston (Program Director for Migration and Integration, Migration Policy Group; Humanity in Action Senior Fellow)

NGOs and advocates working on migration have identified major long-term solutions on migration and refugee policy for EU countries, but these are not moving forward because EU and national politicians think that the public is anti-immigrant and the far-right is more powerful than the #RefugeesWelcome energy that came over Europe in 2015. Civil society must build a broad coalition and mobilize active citizens to achieve change in today’s radically polarized political climate. Far-right parties have never been as successful since the Second World War and the mainstream parties in national and EU governments are historically weak. However, most NGOs working on migration, human rights, the EU and social inclusion have not yet
turned to the public to get their support. How can NGOs, citizens’ movements and their mainstream allies work together in European-wide campaigns to mobilize their supporters for a more just migration and refugee policy?

#MY100DayPlans - A Civic Action Campaign to Take an Action-a-Day for 100 Days to Directly Counteract Trump’s First 100 Days

Michael Kunichika (Associate Professor of Russian, Amherst College and Visiting Assistant Professor, Harvard University; Humanity in Action Senior Fellow)

Together with Humanity in Action Senior Fellow Heather Lord (Denmark 1998) and Lina Srivastava (Creative Impact and Experience Lab), Michael Kunichika (The Netherlands 1999) and an intrepid team of social activists, advertisers, and academics devised and implemented the civic-action project #My100dayplans. Generously supported by the Germeshausen Foundation and Humanity in Action, the project was guided by three principles — Resist, Rebuild, Recharge — which informed the daily civic actions sent out over various social media platforms during the first 100 days of the Trump presidency. Its tagline was “Trump has his 100 day plan. Here is ours.” The actions varied: some responded directly to the threats the current administration poses to civic and political life; others sought out creative responses to safeguard and foster citizenship; still others grappled with issues ranging from hunger to racial inequity. The responses no less varied: the campaign reached approximately 500,000 people, inspiring both a host of supporters and collaborations with partner organizations, and a requisite band of “trolls,” all of which thereby offering a glimpse of the stark tensions besetting American life today. For this breakout session, #My100DayPlans will serve as an initial touchstone for a broader discussion and examination of the necessity and challenges facing civic action in this fraught time.

Senior Fellow Discussion: Fighting Xenophobia from Above and Below

Janina Pescinski (United Nations University Institute on Globalization, Culture and Mobility, Spain; Humanity in Action Senior Fellow)

Lumir Lapray (Strategy Consultant; President of Optimist; Humanity in Action Senior Fellow)

Pinar Sayan (Turkey Director, Imagine Center for Conflict Transformation; Humanity in Action Senior Fellow)

Although evidence of xenophobic attitudes towards migrants is becoming more frequent in political and media discourses in Europe, the perceptions of ordinary people do not universally reflect this rhetoric. Recent surveys by the International Organization for Migration and Amnesty International indicated that more people are in favor of migration than against it, and that the majority of individuals indicate they would welcome refugees. From the bottom up, grassroots activism and the everyday actions of migrants
themselves are challenging xenophobic narratives, while at the international level the United Nations has recently launched the Together campaign as a global platform to promote respect, safety and dignity for all refugees and migrants. Academic research on xenophobia can offer activists important insights into effective strategies to combat xenophobia, as well as influence policies. This session will bring together academic, activist and policy perspectives on combatting xenophobia. It will offer an academic analysis on xenophobia in Europe in order to contextualize various examples of activism from Humanity in Action Senior Fellows and how these local efforts can connect to global campaigns.

Social Cohesion and the Future of Israel
Mike Prashker (Senior Advisor for Strategic Partnerships, The Ted Arison Family Foundation and Ruach Tova)

In this breakout session, political scientist Mike Prashker will introduce the definition of social cohesion and share his insights into the conditions conducive to its cultivation based on a meaningful appreciation of shared citizenship. Against the background of a study by the Bertelsmann Foundation, Prashker discusses major challenges to social cohesion that Israel shares with much of the developed world as well as distinctly Israeli challenges. Israel’s past is far removed from the idealized democratic and cohesive image held by some. While the current democratic and social crisis is real — and Israel is precariously balanced between the danger of fragmentation and the hope of accommodation — this is more the result of generally positive social processes over recent decades than of terminal democratic decline. The gap between Israel’s well-established democratic institutions and its relatively immature or “adolescent” democratic culture explains the misperception of Israel’s past. Reducing this gap is a key element in promoting a more cohesive future.

Technology and Politics
An off-the-record discussion with a Humanity in Action Senior Fellow working in the technology sector

After the 2010 so-called Arab Spring, various social media platforms came to the mainstream attention of experts and commentators as a tool for good, organizing and leveraging social causes. Less than a decade later, the same platforms are under a fierce debate from a completely different angle: radicalization, hate speech and disinformation, to name a few. Europe currently works on strict regulations which are equally strongly contested by American internet platforms and many civil society groups on the basis of affecting freedom of expression online. In this discussion we will map issues, perspectives and possible problems of tomorrow.
The Academic Study of Human Rights: Pathways, Pitfalls, and Possibilities
Noam Schimmel (Visiting Fellow, Kellogg College, University of Oxford; Humanity in Action Senior Fellow)

In this workshop we will discuss the wide range of options for graduate study of human rights on both the master’s and doctoral levels and in the field of law. The goal of the workshop is to be dynamic and responsive to the needs and interests of the Fellows who attend it. Please come with your questions, interests, and concerns. And in addition to presenting (very briefly!) about his own human rights studies, Noam’s presentation will focus on practical examples of study options that address human rights from a variety of disciplinary approaches including law, development, philosophy, politics, women’s studies, humanitarian studies, history, and academic programs that specifically orient themselves around the interdisciplinary field of human rights. The emphasis of the workshop is practical and his primary concern is helping participants reflect upon the rich diversity of possibilities for the academic study of human rights. Human rights advocacy and practice are important to Noam and in discussing the academic study of human rights, he will discuss how some courses of study are particularly well suited for the integration of these commitments.

Voting Behavior of the Far Right in the European Parliament
Pinar Sayan (Turkey Director, Imagine Center for Conflict Transformation; Humanity in Action Senior Fellow)

Senior Fellow Pinar Sayan will be analyzing the voting behaviors of European far-right parties in the European Parliament between 2009 and 2014. Although some of the most prominent European far-right parties try to emphasize diversity, Pinar will show how united the European far-right parties are on salient issues based on a quantitative analysis of their cohesion on key votes on economic and monetary affairs and immigration. She will also reflect on party programs, election manifestos, parliamentary speeches, statements and media coverage.

Workshop: Hip-Hop and Elections
Aisha Fukushima (RAPtivist – Artist and Activist; Humanity in Action Senior Fellow)

This workshop explores the relationship between cultural activism vis-a-vis hip-hop and election cycles. First, Aisha will discuss the role that famous musicians spanning from the U.S. to Senegal have played in influencing presidential elections through their cultural forms of soft power. Participants will learn how hip-hop can be used to critically explore questions of identity, inequality and liberation in urgent political times. Participants will reflect on and share their own election stories over beats and breaks.
techniques such as body percussion, participants will also practice collective healing and solidarity building through movement. This session will benefit anyone interested in pop culture pedagogy. All levels of interest and experience are welcome.

**Workshop: Unleashing Organizational Energy – Leadership Skills to Empower Your Team and Organization for the Social Good**

*Linnea Riensberg (Business Coach and Team Developer, Linnea Riensberg - Coaching; Humanity in Action Board Member and Senior Fellow)*  
*Lukas Goltermann (Policy Advisor/Team Leader, VENRO; Humanity in Action Senior Fellow)*

Our individual energy ebbs and flows — leading to high and low productivity cycles. When we fail to manage our energy well, we risk falling into traps like lethargy, procrastination, self-satisfaction or unfocused activity that negatively impacts the quality of our lives. The same holds true for organizations or teams. They too possess a collective energy or drive, which they can use to purposefully put things in motion. The strength of this organizational energy shows to which degree an organization has mobilized its potential in pursuit of its vision — goals that include more than just mere profitability or financial success. But what kind of tools and strategies do we need in order to manage our organization’s collective energy for the social good? During the workshop, Senior Fellows Linnea Riensberg and Lukas Goltermann will take the time to diagnose various “energy states” of the organizations and teams they work in (or have founded themselves). On a second level they will figure out how to shift organizations into a state of high, positive energy — in which everyone is emotionally engaged, mentally alert, and working swiftly and productively towards critical goals; understanding leadership as the art of “orchestrating energy.”

**SITE VISITS**

**EOTO: Introducing Each One Teach One – A Community-Based Education and Empowerment Project**  
*Daniel Gyamerah (Spokesperson, Each One Teach One e.V.)*

In this site visit, we will be hosted by Each One Teach One (EOTO) e.V., a community-based empowerment organization based in Berlin-Wedding. EOTO started in 2012 and opened it doors in 2014 as a community-library with a collection of more than 3000 books by African and African-descendent authors. As of July 2017, EOTO will be the first-ever organization that is a central contact point for the German Ministry of Family and Youth Affairs for matters of the Black community in Germany. Among its activities
are a Black Diaspora School, supporting youth in the neighborhood, readings, advocacy efforts in the context of the Decade for People of African descent and much more. Participants of the Humanity in Action Conference will have a chance to engage in an open Q&A session with a spokesperson of EOTO on the development of the organization, challenges of Black people in Germany and future visions on empowering Black people in Germany.

Hate Speech in Social Media: "Debate Dehate"
Johannes Baldauf (Project Manager, Amadeu Antonio Stiftung)

Neo-Nazis are extremely successful with social media. While right-wing activists encounter more and more resistance in the real public space, they increasingly use the internet as a forum, where it does not take much to spread their racist worldview. Hiding behind innocuous-seeming identities and campaigns, they can appear less harmful than they really are. As such, online hate speech has become one of the Amadeu Antonio Foundation’s specialties. In this breakout session, Johannes Baldauf will talk about hate speech and effective counterstrategies in social networks. He is currently managing the project "de: hate — Monitoring and Analysis of Digital Phenomena."

Walking Tour: Berlin Wall Memorial

The Berlin Wall Memorial is the central memorial site of German division, located in the middle of the capital. Situated at the historic site on Bernauer Straße, it extends along 1.4 kilometers of the former border strip. The memorial contains the last piece of Berlin Wall with the preserved grounds behind it and is thus able to convey an impression of how the border fortifications developed until the end of the 1980s. The events that took place here together with the preserved historical remnants and traces of border obstacles on display help to make the history of Germany’s division comprehensible to visitors.

>> Tours

City Walk: Role of Women During German Pre-Colonial Missionary and Colonial Periods
Jacqueline Mayen (Institut für diskriminierungsfreie Bildung/Institute for Education Without Discrimination)

The tour focuses on the role of women during the (German) pre-colonial missionary and the colonial period. On the one hand, the tour will point out the deep-rooted complicity of white women during colonial rule and how their perpetration was based on stereotypical gender roles. On the other
hand, we will learn about the position of Black women in different African pre-colonial societies, their gender-based oppression during colonialism, as well as their vital and important roles in the various resistance movements on the continent.

City Walk: The (Formerly) Homeless Show Their Berlin
For homeless people, everyday things often take on a whole new meaning. With homelessness, perspectives on the city change: streets, parks and squares become living spaces. The tour is designed to sharpen participants’ perception of this unseen side of Berlin and its inhabitants, as well as informing participants generally about homelessness and the social services available. This walking tour starts at the train station Bahnhof Zoologischer Garten, leads along the Kant- and Wilmersdorfer Straße to Stuttgarter Platz and ends at the U-Bahn station Adenauerplatz (U7). This is the route that tour guide Dieter Bichler walked every day when he was homeless. The tour is approximately 3.5 km (2.2 miles) long and takes about 2 hours.

City Walk: Refugees Show Their Berlin
Newcomers share their personal view on the city, they explain difficulties and challenges that they have to face as newcomers in Germany. Tour visitors can develop an opinion about the so-called “refugee crisis” beyond dominant media discourse and stereotypes. The fundamental idea is to “think integration differently” and to focus on the strengths and abilities that many refugees have.

City Walk: Berlin as a Memorial Landscape
On a walk, several memorials and sites of commemoration in the proximity of the Holocaust Memorial are visited, including the Memorials to the Persecuted Homosexuals during National Socialism, the Murdered Jews of Europe and the Sinti and Roma Victim. The focus lies on national monuments commemorating the victims of the National Socialists. The guides introduce the history of each site and encourage participants to share their ideas about the design and their interpretation. Key questions which may play a role during the Memorial Walk (according to the interests of the group) include:
• Which aspects of the historical happenings are conveyed through the memorials?
• What do the memorials say about our present?
• Who is being commemorated through the memorials and who is not?
• Who is supposed to identify with the memorials?
• How are the memorials designed? (verbally - figuratively - ritually)
• Which role do the memorials play in the city space?
• How can I become engaged at the memorials?
Exhibition Tour: Topography of Terror – Gestapo, SS and Reich Security

This tour focuses on how the personnel of the Nazi terror machine planned, organized and implemented the persecution and murder of millions of people in Germany and throughout Europe — and what this meant for the victims. The tour ends with the question of how the perpetrators were dealt with in postwar Germany.

Guided Tour: German Historical Museum — Weimar Republic Until the Departure of the Allies in 1994

This tour will guide through parts of the Permanent Exhibition of the German Historical Museum. The tour focuses on the main floor through areas devoted to the Weimar Republic, the Nazi regime, the post-war period as well as the history of the two German states from 1949 to reunification in 1990, followed by the departure of the Allied Forces in 1994.
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WEDNESDAY

Walking Tour | Berlin Wall Memorial
Visitor Center, Bernauer Str. 111, 13355 Berlin
THURSDAY

Main Venue | Pfefferberg Theater
Schönhauser Allee 176, 10119 Berlin

Tour | Deutsches Historisches Museum (German Historical Museum)
Zeughaus and Exhibition Hall (Unter den Linden 2, 10117 Berlin)

Restaurant | 12 Apostel (Senior Fellows & 2017 Fellows Dinner)
Georgenstraße 2, 10117 Berlin

Restaurant | Poulette (Board & Guest Dinner)
Knaackstraße 30, 10405 Berlin

FRIDAY

Main Venue | Pfefferberg Theater
Schönhauser Allee 176, 10119 Berlin

Restaurant | Tauro (Lunch)
Pfefferberg Theater, Schönhauser Allee 176, 10119 Berlin

Site Visit | Amadeu Antonio Stiftung
Novalisstraße 12, 10115 Berlin

Tour | City Walk: Role of Women During German Pre-Colonial Missionary and Colonial Periods
Start: Institut für Europäische Ethnologie/Institute for European Ethnology (Mohrenstraße* 40-41, 10117 Berlin)

**“Mohren” is a derogatory German term for Black people and the naming of this street is therefore politically controversial. However, due to our international audience, we display the official name as found in city guides and maps.

Tour | City Walk: The (Formerly) Homeless Show Their Berlin
Start: Bahnhof Zoologischer Garten

Tour | City Walk: Refugees Show Their Berlin
Start: Karl-Marx-Straße Metro Station (U)

Tour | City Walk: Berlin as a Memorial Landscape
Start: Memorial to the Murdered Jews of Europe (Cora-Berliner-Straße 1, 10117 Berlin)
Optional | Mauerpark
Eberswalder Straße 2, 10437 Berlin

(Upon Invitation) Reception | Dirk Schmalenbach and Alexandra Erholf
Christburger Straße 19, 10405 Berlin

SATURDAY

Main Venue | Pfefferberg Theater
Location: Schönhauser Allee 176, 10119 Berlin

Exhibition Tour | Topography of Terror – Gestapo, SS and Reich Security
Location: Niederkirchnerstraße 8, 10963 Berlin

Site Visit | EOTO: Introducing Each One Teach One – A Community-Based Education and Empowerment Project
Location: Müllerstraße 56-58, 13349 Berlin

Tour | City Walk: Berlin as a Memorial Landscape
Start: Memorial to the Murdered Jews of Europe (Cora-Berliner-Straße 1, 10117 Berlin)

Tour | City Walk: Refugees Show Their Berlin
Start: U-Bahn Karl-Marx-Str. | End: Sharehaus Refugio

Walking Tour | Berlin Wall Memorial
Location: Visitor Center, Bernauer Str. 111, 13355 Berlin, Germany

Closing Dinner (Board Members) | Restaurant Zum dritten Mann
Location: Kollwitzstraße 87, 10435 Berlin

Dinner and Closing Party | Pfefferwerk
Location: Schönhauser Allee 176, 10119 Berlin
SUNDAY

Closing Meetings of 2017 Humanity in Action Fellows | Pfefferbett Hostel
Location: Christinenstraße 18-19, 10119 Berlin

Strategic Planning Meeting for Humanity in Action Board Chairs | Humanity in Action Seminar Room
Location: Kollwitzstraße 94, 10435 Berlin

Senior Fellows Brunch | Auster Restaurant
Location: Haus der Kulturen der Welt (John-Foster-Dulles-Allee 10, 10557 Berlin)

International Staff Meeting | Humanity in Action Seminar Room
Location: Kollwitzstraße 94, 10435 Berlin
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