

AFRICAN REGIONAL CONGRESS AGAINST THE DEATH PENALTY

9 AND 10 APRIL 2018
ABIDJAN (CÔTE D'IVOIRE)

Official opening ceremony

Monday 9 April 2018 from 9:30 to 12:00 AM

Venue: Convention centre of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Côte d'Ivoire

Programme

Welcome of participants: 8:45 – 9:30 AM

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Presentation of the ceremony by Venance Konan, Executive Director of *Fraternité Matin* and Ivorian writer

- Namizata Sangaré, President of the National Human Rights Commission of Côte d'Ivoire (CNDHCI)
- Raphaël Chenuil-Hazan, Executive Director of Together Against the Death Penalty (ECPM) and Aminata Niakate, Lawyer and Trustee of ECPM
- Kevin Miguel Rivera, President of the World Coalition Against the Death Penalty
- Paul Angaman, President of the International Federation of Christian Action for the Abolition of Torture (FIACAT)
- Sansan Kambile, Minister of Justice and Human Rights, Côte d'Ivoire

Intergovernmental Organisations

- Maya Sahli Fadel, Commissioner in the African Commission on Human and Peoples' Rights (CADHP) and member of the Working Group on Death Penalty and Extra-Judicial, Summary or Arbitrary killings in Africa
- Josephine Charlotte Mayuma Kala, Special Representative and Head of the African Union Liaison Office in Côte d'Ivoire
- Andrea Ori, Regional Representative of the Regional Office for West Africa of the Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights (OHCHR)
- Message by Navanethem Pillay, President of the International Commission Against the Death Penalty, United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights from 2008 to 2014

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- Cheick Sako, Minister of State, Minister of Justice, Republic of Guinea
- Bessolé René Bagoro, Minister of Justice, Human Rights and Civic Promotion, Bukina Faso
- Djimet Arabi, Minister of Justice in charge of Human Rights, Chad
- Marie Ange Mushobekwa, Minister of Human Rights, Democratic Republic of the Congo
- Marou Amadou, Minister of Justice and Spokesman of the Government, Niger

Witness of the abolition

- Pete Ouko, former death row prisoner, Kenya

Screening of the film on the 6th World Congress Against the Death Penalty (2016, Oslo, Norway)

Group photo