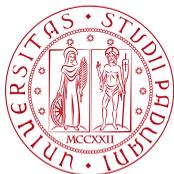


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JUNE 9

BELARUS AT RISK

STUDENT ADVOCACY DAY

Aula 4

Beato Pellegrino Complex

University of Padua



Hybrid event: <https://unipd.zoom.us/j/88952173252>

PROGRAM

09.30 – 09.45

Greetings and Introduction

Claudia Padovani & Francesca Helm

UniPD, SAR Italy Coordinating Committee

Moderator: **Tatiana Krivobokova** (UniPD)

09.45 – 10.30

SESSION I

Padova for people at risk

With contributions from university and local actors engaging in advocacy work for at-risk scholars and students, this session provides an overview on the contemporary state of institutional support to academic freedom in Padova.

Speakers:

Cristina Basso

UniPD, Vice-rector of International Relations

Assessora Francesca Benciolini

Comune di Padova

Dora Longoni

UniPD, International Relations Division

Fiona Dalziel

UniPD, Unipd4people at risk

Elena Pariotti

UniPD, Department of Political Science, Law and International Studies

10.30 – 10.45

Students' calls to the University of Padova in support of academic freedom in Belarus

10.45 – 11.30

SESSION II

Academic Freedom at risk - Europe and beyond

This session salutes the recent EU Parliament Report "State of play of academic freedom in the EU Member State" and convenes members from the Parliament Research Service STOA, students and experts to discuss its merits, also in relation to the Academic Freedom Index, and potential implications in the field of advocacy for threatened scholars.

Speakers:

Gosse Vuijk

Head of Parliamentary Affairs in the office of Member of the European Parliament Dr. Christian Ehler

Denise Roche

SAR Europe, Advocacy Manager

11.30 – 11.50

Students' views on the Academic Freedom Index

Closing remarks: **Aslı Vatanserver** (Bard College Berlin)

11-50 – 12-15 | Coffee break

11.50 – 13.30

SESSION III

Academic Freedom at risk: Belarus 2023

In view of the recent developments in Belarus, this session discusses the current threats against academic freedom in the country, existing solidarity initiatives with Belarusian intellectuals, and the main challenges and potentials of advocacy work in the context of the Belarus conflict.

Speakers:

Members of European Parliament

Dmitrij Strocev

poet

Daria Maniuk

PR Secretary of Belarusian Students' Association

Iris Kimizoglu

European Students Union, Academic Freedom Project

13.30 – 15.00 | Lunch break

15.00 – 16.15

SESSION IV

Padova Students for Belarus

Advocacy Seminar students at the University of Padova introduce their own research and advocacy initiatives in solidarity with the people in Belarus, particularly threatened students and scholars.

Speakers:

Student groups

Group A: 'Padova Scholarship for At-Risk Students'

Group B: 'Responsible Internationalization'

Group C: 'Guiding Belarusian and International At-Risk

Students into the Host Environment'

Claudia Criveller

UniPD, responsible for internationalisation with Russophone area

16.15 – 17.15

SESSION V

Belarus Students: Building Alliances & Networks

This session provides visibility to ongoing advocacy initiatives to support students and scholars from Belarus, and offers networking opportunities to strengthen collaborations between Belarusian students and students in Padova and Europe.

Speakers:

Hector Ulloa

Norwegian Students' and Academics' International

Assistance Fund (SAIH), Norway

Iris Kimizoglu

European Students Union (ESU)

Representative from Unione Degli Universitari (UDU)

Supolka

Semen Poznukhov

ReACT project

Students from Carleton University, Canada

17.15 – 17.30

Closing remarks

Claudia Padovani & Francesca Helm

18.00 – 19.30

Poetry reading, with **Dmitrij Strocev** and **Giulia De Florio**

Università di Modena e Reggio Emilia

International dances, with **Claudio Sanna**