



## INVITATION TO THE THIRD SOUTH NORTH MEDITERRANEAN DIALOGUE CONGRESS

Six years after the Algiers Congress and three years after the one of Alicante, we have the pleasure to invite you to the

*Third Congress of the South North Mediterranean Dialogue*

*A Shared Vision for the Future*

**Civil Society and Public Authorities: Which Partnership?**

**TUNIS, 07-08-09 JUNE 2012**

Registration is free but mandatory and **all the on sight costs (accommodation, local transport and meals) during the 3-day Congress are covered by the organizers.**

We are negotiating with Tunisair preferential conditions for the participants of the Congress of Tunis buying their plane tickets through this company. We will send you the information needed to qualify for the discount before the end of the week.

Please find the program attached. It opens a wide space for discussion between representatives of each of civil societies. This process will end by a presentation of the main ideas of the workshop debates to the public authorities that will be willing to join us on Saturday morning at the Tunisian Parliament.

Looking forward to welcoming you in Tunis,

Brussels, 15 May 2012

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## Congress of Tunis

7-9 June 2012

Third South North Mediterranean Dialogue for a Common Vision of the Future



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### Programme



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## *Civil Society and Public Authorities: What Partnership?*

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## Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> June 2012 Opening of the Congress

Hotel Ramada Plaza, Tunis

### 18h00 – 19h00: Welcome and Opening Session

Co-Presidents : **Mr Charles-Ferdinand Nothomb**, Belgian Minister of State, **Ms Latifa Lakhdar** Vice President of High Instance of Political Reforms Tunisia

**Ms Fatima Z. Malki-Bensoltane**, Tunisian Committee of the Mediterranean North South Dialogue

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H.E. **Mr Moncef Marzouki**, President of the Republic of Tunisia

### 19h00 – 20h00: Keynote Speech “Civil Society and Public Authorities both in European and Arab societies”

By Prof. **Bichara Khader**, South North Mediterranean Dialogue Foundation

## Friday 8<sup>th</sup> June 2012 – Parallel Workshops

Hotel Ramada Plaza, Tunis

### 9h30 – 13h00 (Coffee Break 11h) – Parallel Workshops

#### Workshop 1: Public Authorities Cooperation with Civil Society in Economic and Social Fields

Chair: Mr **Hans-Gert Pöttering**, President of the Konrad Adenauer Foundation (tbc)

Rapporteur: Female Member of the network the Anna Lindh Foundation

Speakers: **Mr Staffan Nilsson**, Chairman of the Economic and Social Committee, **Representative** of the UGTT

#### Workshop 2: Public Authorities Cooperation with Civil Society in the area of People Mobility, Education and Training

Chair: **Ms Iman El Kaffass**, member of ICARDA (tbc)

Rapporteur: **Mr Henri Marty-Gauquié**, Director European Investment Bank

Speakers: **Mr Tahar Ben Lakhdar**, Rector of University Esprit (tbc), **Ms Alma Mozgovaja**, Secretary General of the European Students' Forum (tbc)

#### Workshop 3: Public Authorities Cooperation with Civil Society in the Cultural field

Chair: **Mr Jean-Marie Cavada**, President of the European Movement France (tbc)

Rapporteur: **Ms Meriem Bellamine**, Academic

Speakers: **Mr Habib Kazdaghli**, Dean of the University of Letters Manouba (tbc), **Ms Cláudia Köver**, Member of the Middle East and North African Committee of the European Youth Press (tbc)



## 14h30 – 18h00 (Coffee Break 16h) – Parallel Workshops

### **Workshop 4: Intergenerational Cooperation: What form of Partnership?**

Chair: **Ms Jamila Settari**, Dean of the Faculty of Legal Sciences, University Ain Sebaa (tbc) or **Ms Turkia Daddah**, President of the Mauritania Committee of the South North Mediterranean Dialogue

Rapporteur: **Ms Eve Pakkanen**, Member of the Board of the European Movement International, Vice President of the Foreign Affairs Committee (tbc)

Speakers: **Ms Azza Mechmech**, Responsible for Communication to Méditerranéenir, **Mr Peter Matjašič**, President of the European Youth Forum (tbc)

### **Workshop 5: How to Develop the Role of Civil Society? The Relationship of National and Local Authorities with Civil Society and Participatory Democracy**

Chair: **Ms Almudena Muñoz Guajardo**, President of Casa Mediterraneo (tbc)

Rapporteur: **Mr Sidi Mohamed Cheguier**, President of the Mauritanian Association Citizens' Initiative for Change (tbc)

Speakers: **Ms Mariam Kirolos**, Researcher, Centre for Studies and Documentation Economic, Legal and Social, **Mr Bernd Hüttemann**, Secretary General of the European Movement Germany (tbc)

### **Workshop 6: How to Improve the Mediterranean Networks of Civil Society Organisations? Regional and International Cooperation and Coordination**

Chair: **Ms Yasmina Taya**, President of the Algeria Committee of the Mediterranean North South Dialogue

Rapporteur: **Mr Vicent Garcés**, MEP, Member of the Coordination of the Assembly of Citizens and Citizens of the Mediterranean

Speakers: **Ms H. Gül Turan**, President of the European Movement Turkey, **Mr Fouad Ammor**, Expert to the Grouping of Studies and Research on the Mediterranean

## **Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> June 2012 – Civil Society Organisations face the Public Authorities**

### **Plenary Meeting in the National Assembly Constituent**

**9h00 – 9h30** Presentations by the Rapporteurs, the conclusions and proposals of the Workshops

### **9h30- 11h30** Debate with the Public Authorities

Invited Personalities:

**Dr. Prof. Touhami Abdouli**, Secretary of State in charge of European Affairs, Tunisia

**Mr Saad Al-Katatni**, President of the People's Assembly, Egypt

**Mr Youssef Amrani**, Minister Delegate to the Minister of Foreign Affairs and Cooperation, Morocco

**Mr Juan José Escobar Stemann**, Ambassador for Mediterranean Affairs, Spain

**Ms Mercedes Bresso**, President of the Committee of the Regions

**Mr Martin Schulz**, President of the European Parliament and the Parliamentary Assembly of the UpM

**Ms Elisabeth Guigou**, Member of the National Assembly, France

**Mr Mohamed Kebir Addou**, Governor of Algiers, Algeria

### **12h00 – 13h00** Closing of the Congress

Presentation of the Tunis Declaration by **M. Erwan Lannon** and a **personality from the South**

#### **Closing Speech**

**Mr Jo Leinen**, President of the European Movement International

*Invited Personalities*

**Mr Villy Søvndal**, Minister of Foreign Affairs, Denmark, Danish Presidency of the Council of the European Union

**Mr Mustapha Ben Jaafar**, President of the National Constituent Assembly, Tunisia