



WORLD PHILOSOPHY DAY *2006*

Rabat, Kingdom of Morocco

15 - 18 November 2006

International Conference Centre, Mohammed VI, Skhirat

15 November 2006

- 2 p.m. -

Registration of the participants

- 3 p.m. -

Official Opening

**Inaugural Ceremony
of the World Philosophy Day**

- **Address by Mr Habib EL MALKI, Minister of National Education, Higher Education, Staff Training and Scientific Research, President of the Moroccan National Commission for UNESCO**
- **Address by Mr Mohamed ACHAARI, Minister of Culture**
- **Address by Mr Musa Bin Jaafar Bin HASSAN, President of the General Conference of UNESCO**
- **Address by Mr Abdulaziz Othman ALTWAIJRI, Director General of ISESCO**
- **Address by Mr Pierre SANÉ, Assistant Director-General for Social and Human Sciences of UNESCO**

- 4 p.m. -

Opening Lectures

on

Philosophy and the Condition of the Modern World

**Gianni VATTIMO (Italy)
Bensalem HIMMICH (Morocco)**

- 5 p.m. -

Interlude around a cup of coffee

- 8 p.m. -

Official welcome dinner [*upon invitation*]

Gala evening

La Medersa des Oudayas

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*Morning Session Round Tables
(9.30 a.m. – 12 p.m.)*

ROUND TABLE I

Cultural Philosophy, Diversity and Communication

Coordinator: Aziz EL HADADI (Professor of philosophy, Morocco)

Participants: Abdeslam BENABDELALI (Morocco)
Philip CAM (Australia)
In-Suk CHA (Republic of Korea)
Mohammed DOUKKALI (Morocco)
Ivan Petrov KALTCHEV (Bulgaria)
Jean-Louis POIRIER (France)
Gianni VATTIMO (Italy)

ROUND TABLE II

Modernity and the Condition of Women

Coordinator: Moufida GOUCHA (UNESCO Paris)

Participants: Aminata Diaw CISSÉ (Senegal)
Tran Han GIANG (Viet Nam)
Mohamed MAOUHOUB (Morocco)
Chantal MOUBACHIR-GENIN (France)
Cyrille KONE (Burkina Faso)
Wei XIAO (China)

ROUND TABLE III

Philosophy and the Obstacles to a Coalition of Cultures

Coordinator: Abdessallam BENMAISSA (Professor of philosophy, Morocco)

Participants: Mohamed ANDALOUSSI (Morocco)
Fred DALLMAYR (USA)
Abderrazak DOUAY (Morocco)
Numan HAZAR (Turkey)
Theodossis PELEGRINIS (Greece)
Juan Martos QUESADA (Spain)
Fathi TRIKI (Tunisia)

ROUND TABLE IV

Philosophy: Teaching, Discussing and Translating

Coordinator: Driss KATTIR (President of the Association of Philosophy Teachers, Morocco)

Participants: Ali BENMAKHLOUF (Morocco)
Bruno CLEMENT (France)
Hassan EL BAHY (Morocco)
Naïma HADJ ABDERRAHMANE (Algeria)
Plubplung KONGCHANA (Thailand)
Charoeun PA (Cambodia)

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*Afternoon Session Round Tables
(2.30 p.m. – 5 p.m.)*

ROUND TABLE V

**Philosophy and the North-South Dialogue:
What Difficulties? What Future?**

Coordinator: Abdessamad TAMOURO (Professor of philosophy, Morocco)

Participants: Mustapha CHERIF (Algeria)
Xavier GILLET (France - Mali)
Rainier A. IBANA (Philippines)
Azelarab LAHKIM BENNANI (Morocco)
Semou PATHE GUEYE (Senegal)
Ricardo SALAS ASTRAIN (Chile)
Marietta STEPANYANTS (Russian Federation)

ROUND TABLE VI

Citizenship and Human Rights

Coordinator: Mohamed SABILA (Philosopher and writer, Morocco)

Participants: Ioanna KUÇURADI (Turkey)
Abdelhak MONCIF (Morocco)
Hans Jörg SANDKÜHLER (Germany)
Mohammed WAKIDI (Morocco)
Salem YAFOUT (Morocco)
Naoshi YAMAWAKI (Japan)

ROUND TABLE VII

Finding a Basis for a Just and Cooperative World Order

Coordinator: Bensalem HIMMICH (Philosopher and writer, Morocco)

Participants: Abdelhay AZARKANE (Morocco)
Tanella BONI (Côte d'Ivoire)
Jean FERRARI (France)
Surjeet Kaur CHAHAL (India)
Driss MANSSOURI (Morocco)
William L. McBRIDE (USA)

ROUND TABLE VIII

Religious Revivals and the Open Society

Organized by Reset - Dialogues on Civilizations, a Foundation of Reset Publications

Coordinator: Nina zu FÜRSTENBERG (Director, Foundation Reset Dialogues on Civilizations, Italy)

Participants: Sadik AL AZM (Syria)
Giuliano AMATO (Italy)
Giancarlo BOSETTI (Italy)
Fred DALLMAYR (USA)
Alessandro FERRARA (Italy)
Abdou FILALI-ANSARY (Morocco)
Sebastiano MAFFETTONE (Italy)
Mohammad NAFISSI (Islamic Republic of Iran)
Nina zu FÜRSTENBERG (Switzerland)

ROUND TABLE IX

What Can Philosophy Do in the Arab - Mediterranean World?

Coordinator: Mohammed MESBAHI (Professor of philosophy, Morocco)

Participants: Mohammed ABATTOUY (Morocco)
Ayyoub ABU DAYYEH (Jordan)
Ahmed ALAMI HAMEDANE (Morocco)
Ali Hussein AL-JABIRI (Iraq)
Hassan ALUBAIDI (Iraq)

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Café Philosophique

10.30 a.m. – 1 p.m.

Maure des Oudayas Café

Session of discussion – debate on the topic:

“Sharing Philosophy” (1)

Moderator: Mustapha LAARISSA (Professor of philosophy, Morocco)
Public participation

2.30 p.m. – 4 p.m.

Maure des Oudayas Café

Session of discussion – debate on the topic:

“Sharing Philosophy” (2)

Moderator: Mohamed MAOUHOUB (Professor of philosophy, Morocco)
Public participation

Living Art

A performance by different young artists will take place throughout the Day, allowing the expression of different sensibilities on philosophical topics.

With the participation of the students of the Regional Education Centre (CPR), Rabat, and the students of the Orangers High School, Rabat.

Book Fair

An exhibition and sale of philosophy publications will be proposed to visitors.

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- 6.30 p.m. -

Official Closing Ceremony

“Rabat Declaration on Philosophy”

Coordinated by Mohamed MESBAHI (Morocco)

Read by Abdessamad TAMOURO (Morocco)

- 7.30 p.m. -

Tribute to two philosophers: Mohammed Abed Jabri and Hannah Arendt

Mohammed Abed Jabri

Moroccan philosopher, specialist in the fields of philosophy and Arab-Islamic thought. His main intellectual contributions aim at contributing to understand the intellectual and civilizational heritage, particularly the structures, foundations, and components of Arab-Islamic reasoning, with a particular interest for the Muslim philosophers and thinkers such as Farabi, Averroès and Ibn Khaldun.

by Salem YAFOUT (Morocco)

Hannah Arendt

on the occasion of the 100th anniversary of her birth

The main contribution of Hannah Arendt, German philosopher, is her reflection on modernity, or in other words the rupture with tradition elaborated in “The Crisis in Culture”. It is about thinking politics, that is, the world that exists between men and its raison d’être in the contemporary world, where it is necessary more than ever. Not being able to stay insensible to the world of her time, Arendt became interested in totalitarianism and constructed an analysis that continues to be influential. The essential contributions of Arendt reside in her constant, pragmatic and moral attitude, her admiration for “pure thought” and her passion for “liberty”, including when it is in contradiction with itself.

by Bruno CLEMENT (France)

- 8 p.m. -

Closing dinner *[upon invitation]*

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17-18 November 2006

Starting from 9 a.m.
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**Interregional Philosophical Dialogue:
Asia and the Arab World**

on

**“Encounters of Asia and the Arab Region
with Modernity”**

organized on the occasion of the World Philosophy Day

Moderators: Pierre SANÉ, Assistant Director-General for Social and Human Sciences,
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Philippe QUÉAU, Representative of UNESCO in the Maghreb, Director of
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