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UNITWIN/UNESCO Chairs Programme

Progress Report

Period of Activity: June 2007- May 2008

UNESCO Chair in Human Rights Education

Report established by: Dr. K. Peter Fritzsche, UNESCO Chairholder, University of Magdeburg

I. Activities

1. Academic activities

Education

During the 2007-2008 activity year, the UNESCO Chair offered the following courses:

Title: *Right Wing Extremism in Europe*

Target group: postgraduate students at the University of Magdeburg

Title: *Children's Rights and the Internet*

Target group: postgraduate students at the University of Magdeburg

Title: *Human Rights Education: Concepts and Cases*

Target group: postgraduate students at the University of Magdeburg

Title: *Ideologies of Inequality*

Target group: postgraduate students at the University of Magdeburg

Research

Human Rights in Egypt, Iran and Turkey

Comparative Human Rights Education, E-learning

2. Conferences/ Meetings

Title: *The Meaning of Human Rights*

Place and Date: University of Magdeburg, July 12

Title: *Human Rights and Islam*

Place and Date: Berlin, September 17-19

Title: *The Protection of Women Rights – International Standards and Regional Approaches*

Place and Date: Germany, December 10-11

4. Partnerships

Teacher Training College of Lucerne, Switzerland

Center for Postgraduate Studies/ Master of Social Work/ Social Work, Berlin, Germany

German Institute for Human Rights, Germany

Human Rights Office of the City of Nuremberg, Germany

The Coalition for Immigration and Integration in Saxony-Anhalt, Germany

The Network “Integration” in Halle, Germany

DAAD (German Academic Exchange Service), Germany

5. Publications

Essays

Title: What Do Human Rights Mean for Citizenship Education?

Journal: *The Online Journal of Social Science Education*

Author: K. Peter Fritzsche

Internet link: <http://www.jsse.org/2007-2/index.html>

II. Impact

The UNESCO Chair in Human Rights Education has organized symposia on human rights issues. The Chair has offered seminars on human rights education, children’s rights and promoted research on human rights in Egypt, Iran and Turkey. Partnerships with institutions involved on human rights projects have been developed in other German cities and Switzerland.

III. Forthcoming activities

The Chair will continue to promote research on human rights culture and to pursue the publication of a second edition of the book *Menschenrechte*. The Chair will be responsible for the organization of a symposium on *China – dropped out? The Olympic Games and Human Rights*, a meeting on human rights education and two lectures on children’s rights and the prevention of racism.