

To Non-Governmental Organizations in official relations with UNESCO

In focus

March 2011

- ❖ **Committee on International Non-Governmental Organizations of the Executive Board - 186th session (Paris, 5-6.05.2011):** A round table will be organized on the « Social and human impact of international migrations » on Thursday 5 May. More information by clicking on [this link](#).
- ❖ **Launch of the EFA Global Monitoring Report 2011 « The hidden crisis: Armed conflict and education » (Paris, march 2011):** Released on March 1, and launched on 8th march at UNESCO's Headquarters in the presence of the Director-General, the 2011 Global Monitoring Report examines the damaging consequences of conflicts on Education for All goals. More information by clicking on [this link](#).
- ❖ **International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination (Paris, 21.03.2011):** Discrimination occurs on several grounds - race, ethnical origin, gender, class, age, sexual orientation, etc. - and often different forms of discrimination can take place at the same time. On the occasion of this Day, young students will meet at UNESCO's Headquarters to discuss the theme « *Relations between boys and girls: Towards equality or affirming differences?* ». This event is organized by UNESCO and the French Federation of UNESCO Clubs. More information by clicking on [this link](#).
- ❖ **Launch of the « Counterpoints » Series « Creative industry and cultural diversity » (Paris, 22.03.2011):** Opposing different points of view on the relationship between cultural industries and cultural diversity, this meeting will launch UNESCO Culture Sector's new « Counterpoints ». Information and registration: f.albernaz@unesco.org
- ❖ **40th anniversary of the 1970 Convention against illicit trafficking of cultural property (Paris, 15-16.03.2011):** On the occasion of the commemoration of this anniversary, UNESCO revisits its history and takes stock of its accomplishments and new challenges. More information by clicking on [this link](#).
- ❖ **World Water Day 2011 (worldwide event, 22.03.2011):** Each year, the World Water Day highlights a specific aspect linked to freshwater. This year's theme is « *Water for cities: responding to the urban challenge* ». More information by clicking on [this link](#).
- ❖ **Celebration of World Theatre Day (worldwide event, 27.03.2011):** established on the initiative of the International Theatre Institute, the World Theatre Day is celebrated across the world by the theatre community. More information by clicking on [this link](#).
- ❖ **World Press Freedom Day 2011 (Washington DC and New York, 1-4.05.2011):** « *21st Century Media: New Frontiers, New Barriers* » is the theme of the next edition of World Press Freedom Day, which will be celebrated on 3 May 2011. Events are planned in more than 100 countries to celebrate the Day. More information by clicking on [this link](#)

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