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### LANTOS/HIA CONGRESSIONAL FELLOWSHIP

Each year, the **Lantos Foundation for Human Rights and Justice** and **Humanity in Action (HIA)** bring together a small group of outstanding students and young professionals from around the world for four-month professional fellowships at the United States Congress. The Lantos/HIA Congressional Fellows also participate in a weekly seminar series to learn about American political, social, legal, economic, educational, religious, cultural, and human rights issues. The program is now in its tenth year.

Lantos/HIA Congressional Fellows are alumni of HIA's summer fellowship programs for the study of human and minority rights or are students at Hungarian and Israeli universities. Participants are selected through a highly competitive application process. Participants from past years are now leading civil servants in many European governments, and in 2009, former Lantos Fellows were elected to both the Copenhagen City Council and the European Parliament.

The Lantos/HIA Congressional Fellowship is a partnership of Humanity in Action and the Lantos Foundation for Human Rights and Justice. The 2010 program runs from January 25 through May 21.

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### MEET THE 2010 FELLOWS

#### **ADRIEH ABOU SHEHADEH, ISRAEL**

Adrieh completed her BA in politics and international affairs at Oberlin College. She has interned at the Global Justice Center, where she worked on women's issues in Iraq and Burma. She then worked with an NGO advocating for the rights of Arab citizens in Israel. She hopes to complete graduate studies in the United States and then develop a career in civil and human rights in Israel or Palestine. Adrieh participated in HIA's fellowship in Amsterdam in 2007.

#### **BERTINE MOENAFF, THE NETHERLANDS**

Bertine completed studies of French and psychology in Amsterdam. She is currently finishing her MA thesis on the social identity of young Muslims and has conducted research on radicalization. She works with the elderly at Homecare and with children and teenagers in different educational projects. She also works at the Bible Museum in Amsterdam, where she teaches about Judaism, Christianity and Islam. Bertine participated in HIA's fellowship in Amsterdam in 2009.

#### **DAVID PEYTON, UNITED STATES**

David studied international relations with an emphasis in economic development at Wheaton College. As a student activist, he led the Wheaton College Student Global AIDS Campaign and participated in numerous local and national HIV/AIDS advocacy initiatives in the Chicago area. He has worked for a microfinance institution in Rwanda, and has participated in racial reconciliation and community development projects in Chicago. David participated in HIA's fellowship in Berlin in 2005.

#### **IGNACIO PETITCOLLOT, FRANCE**

Ignacio studied history, political science, and geopolitics in France. Due to his interest in French immigration policy, he has worked with refugees at different "waiting zones" on the French border. These experiences sparked his interest in minority rights. Ignacio participated in HIA's fellowship in Amsterdam in 2009.

**MICHIEL DE HAAS, THE NETHERLANDS**

Michiel is a graduate student of history and sociology at the University of Utrecht, in the Netherlands. He has developed a number of mentorship projects for children from disadvantaged socioeconomic backgrounds. He is also an active member of the board of the Dutch Senior Fellows Association. Michiel participated in HIA's fellowship in Amsterdam in 2008.

**ROI SILBERBERG, ISRAEL**

Roi is currently completing doctoral studies on peace education at the University of Haifa, in Israel. For the past five years, he has worked on efforts to sustain dialogue between Jews and Palestinians.

**TAMÁS MEDOVARSKI, HUNGARY**

Tamás completed studies in international relations at the Corvinus University of Budapest and Sciences Po in Paris. He is interested in European integration, climate change, energy policy, and their implications for international security and human rights.

**TRINE GRØNBORG, DENMARK**

Trine has a BA in Business, Language, and Culture and plans to complete graduate studies in international business and politics. She has interned at the Danish Institute for Human Rights. She is interested in regional integration and trade policies, particularly in regards to Latin America, where she has studied and worked for over four years. Trine participated in HIA's fellowship in Copenhagen in 2009.

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