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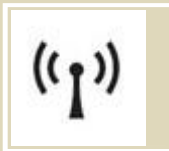
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Human Rights and Community Wireless Networks



On January 8, 2008, SHRP convened a working meeting on community wireless networks and human rights. Participants learned about the history, function and current state of community wireless networks around the world. The meeting also explored some of the possible applications of wireless technologies for human rights organizations, and the challenges that they present. For more information about SHRP's Wireless Communication Technologies and Human Rights Project, please visit our [website](#) or contact the project leader, [Josh Robbins](#).

"Right to Enjoy the Benefits of Scientific Progress" (Art. 15, ICESCR) - Resources now available

Ever wondered what the right to enjoy the benefits of scientific progress means in practice or how the right relates to other rights, including intellectual property rights? SHRP has compiled a bibliography of international and regional human rights documents, articles, books, meeting reports, and links relating to the right and its applications in specific circumstances. Click [here](#) to read more.

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ACTION ALERT

Death threats to forensic anthropologists in Guatemala - An Action Alert from Amnesty International ([link](#))

SHRP EVENTS

***February 15, 2008
Boston, MA***

*AAAS Annual Meeting:
Science and Human Rights Reception ([link](#))*

***February 16, 2008
Boston, MA***

*AAAS Annual Meeting:
Building the AAAS
Science and Human Rights Coalition - Event ([link](#))*

PUBLICATIONS

Human Rights, Human Plights in a Global Village

By Rob Buitenweg ([link](#))

"In today's globalized world, all people are

Next Planning Meeting on March 3, 2008

Working toward a public launch in late 2008, the Coalition will hold its fourth planning meeting on Monday, March 3rd at 9:00-12:00 pm at AAAS headquarters in downtown Washington, DC. The main purpose of the meeting will be to review specific recommendations drafted for each of the five broad Areas of Activity previously identified for the Coalition. View the agenda and RSVP [here](#).

Help us plan the Launch!

Those of you who are interested in planning the public launch of the Coalition, please join us for a working meeting over lunch immediately following the morning planning meeting on March 3rd, Please RSVP [here](#).

Introducing our Members: American Anthropological Association

The American Anthropological Association (AAA) is a voluntary membership organization with over 11,000 professional members, making it the world's largest organization of anthropologists. In 1995, the AAA created the Committee for Human Rights, a permanent Committee of the AAA that engages in current cases of human right abuse and encourages research and education on all aspects of human rights, from conceptual to applied. In June 1999, the AAA adopted a Declaration on Anthropology and Human Rights which defines the basis for the involvement of AAA and the profession more broadly in human rights based on the Universal Declaration of Human Rights (UDHR) and other international human rights treaties. [Read more](#)



For more information about the Coalition and how you or your organization can become involved, please [visit our website](#). To receive the latest information about the Coalition, please sign-up for our [Coalition Listserv](#).

within "six steps" - six links of acquaintanceship - of every other person in the world. Yet a significant percentage of the world's population lives in abject socioeconomic misery, exploited, slaving in horrible working conditions, without enough food or education, and highly susceptible to illness and disease. This book addresses the rights, the wrongs, the law and what we need to do."

Upcoming SHRP Events

AAAS Annual Meeting in Boston

- **Science and Human Rights Reception, February 15, 2008**

Join us at the 2008 AAAS Annual Meeting in Boston for the annual Science and Human Rights Reception! This year we will celebrate SHRP's three decades of work and introduce our new, expanded mission and projects to bring even more science and scientists to human rights. We hope to see you on Friday, February 15th at 5pm (Commonwealth Room, Sheraton Boston). More information about the AAAS Annual Meeting can be found [here](#).

- **Building the AAAS Science and Human Rights Coalition - Event, February 16, 2008**

SHRP is hosting a special event during the AAAS Annual Meeting to introduce AAAS members to the Coalition. The event will take place on Saturday, February 16th from 2:00 - 3:30pm (Room: Maverick A, Hilton Boston Back Bay). Whether you are new to the Coalition or have been a part of its creation, we hope you will join us. For more information please visit the AAAS Annual Meeting [website](#).

New AAAS Poster

Poster commemorating the 60th Anniversary of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights

The Universal Declaration of Human Rights turns 60 on December 10th, 2008. To commemorate this important anniversary and reflect on the significance of human rights to the scientific endeavor, SHRP has developed its own UDHR poster. Click [here](#) to view the poster and download your own copy.

About the SHRP Newsletter

The Science & Human Rights Newsletter is issued monthly by the AAAS Science and Human Rights Program. Through the newsletter we strive to keep scientists and human rights practitioners informed with news items, program updates, new resources, and upcoming events at the intersection of science and human rights. Submissions to the newsletter are welcome and can be made via our [online submission form](#).

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