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**61st Annual DPI/NGO Conference
Reaffirming Human Rights for All:
The Universal Declaration at 60
UNESCO Headquarters, Paris, France
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United Nations, NY, June 2008 – More than 2000 international Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) representatives and other civil society partners are expected to gather at UNESCO Headquarters in Paris, France, from 3-5 September 2008, to discuss ways and means for strengthening collaboration between local communities and global institutions. They will meet during the 61st annual DPI/NGO Conference, Reaffirming Human Rights for All: The Universal Declaration at 60. The three day gathering of NGOs is organized by the UN Department of Public Information (DPI) in partnership with the NGO/DPI Executive Committee as well as NGOs which have consultative status with the United Nations Economic and Social Council.

As an annual meeting taking place on the eve of the opening of the General Assembly, the Conference has become an established forum for networking and exchange of views, opinions, and expertise and best practices on relevant issues. In addition to two plenary sessions and five roundtables, there will be forty-two midday NGO Workshops featuring the participation of civil society, United Nations, government and private sector representatives.

NGOs, working together with UN, governmental and other community groups will leave the Conference with knowledge of measures and goals which can be achieved by working together to understand and reaffirm human rights for all. The Conference aims to discuss ways and means to contribute to enhanced awareness of the meaning of human rights today as set forth in the Universal Declaration 60 years ago in Paris.

**Read The Universal Declaration of Human Rights in your native language:
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