

INTERNATIONAL SEMINAR

Mauritania: intercultural dynamics, political processes and relations with Spain

Barcelona, 12-14 November, 2007
CIDOB Foundation

Monday, 12 November

- 17.00 Welcoming and presentation of seminar
Josep Ribera, Director of the CIDOB Foundation
- 17.20 Inaugural address
Abdel Wedoud Ould Cheikh, anthropologist, University of Metz
- 18.00 Coffee break
- 19.00 Presentation at the CCCB
Abderrahmane Ould Ahmed Salem, Director General of «La maison des cinéastes» of Mauritania
- 19.30 Showing of the film *En attendant le bonheur* (2002) by Abderrahmane Sissako in the CCCB Auditorium (Duration: 95 mins)

Tuesday, 13 November

- 10.00 Culture, politics and diversity
- Moderator: Yolanda Onghena, co-ordinator Intercultural Dynamics Programme
- Alberto López Bargados, anthropologist, University of Barcelona
 - M'bouh Seta Diagana, literary critic, University of Nouakchott
 - Abderrahmane Ould Ahmed Salem, Director General of «La maison des cinéastes» of Mauritania
- 11.30 Coffee break (30 mins)
- Amadou Sall, sociologist, University of Nouakchott
 - Fatimata M'Baye*, President of the Mauritanian Association for Human Rights (AMDH)
- 12.45 Debate
- 13.45 Lunch
- 16.00 Regional and international dimensions of the political process in Mauritania
- Moderator: Carmen Claudín, assistant Director, CIDOB Foundation
- Zekeria Ould Ahmed Salem Denna, political scientist, University of Nouakchott
 - Raquel Ojeda García, political scientist, University of Jaén
 - Boubacar Ould Messaoud, president of the NGO SOS-Eslaves
- 17.00 Debate
- 18.30 Refreshments
- 19.30 Showing of the film *Bamako* (2006) by Abderrahmane Sissako in the CCCB Auditorium (Duration: 112 mins)

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Wednesday, 14 November

10.00 Bilateral relations between Mauritania and Spain I

Moderator: **Eduard Soler**, co-ordinator Mediterranean Programme

Historical introduction:

- **Miguel Hernando de Larramendi**, historian of the contemporary Arab world, University of Castilla-la Mancha

Political relations:

- **Manuel Gómez-Acebo**, Deputy Director General for North Africa of Spain's Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Cooperation
- **Sidi Mohamed Ould Boubacar**, Mauritanian Ambassador to Spain
- **Pablo Martín-Carvajal González**, Director General for Relations with Africa of the Government of the Canary Islands

11.30 Debate

12.15 Coffee break

12.30 Cooperation and development:

- **Susana Velázquez Valoria**, head of the Maghreb Area for the Spanish International Cooperation Agency (AECI)
- **Xavier López**, Fundación Solidaridad, University of Barcelona
- **Oumar Mohamed Sy**, expert in community development

13.30 Debate

14.00 Lunch

15.30 Bilateral relations between Mauritania and Spain II

Moderator: **Susana Velázquez Valoria**, head of the Maghreb AEI

Migration policies and relations economics:

- **Eduardo Lobo Espinosa**, Head of Area, Deputy Director General's Office for International Relations and Immigration, Ministry of Interior
- **Mohamed Ould El Ghazouani***, Colonel, Director General de Security, Government of Mauritania
- **Mohamed Fall Ould Bah**, economist and anthropologist, University of Nouakchott
- **Enrique Feás Costilla***, Deputy Director General of Trade and Investment, from the Spanish Ministry of Industry, Tourism and Trade

16.45 Debate

17.15 Coffee break

17.30 Conclusions and close of seminar

Alberto López Bargados, anthropologist, University of Barcelona

Sidi Mohamed Ould Boubacar, Mauritanian Ambassador to Spain

Alejandro Polanco, Spanish Ambassador to Mauritania

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