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## Sakharov Prize 2011 Panel Discussion

***Collaboration between the European Parliament Office in Scotland  
& Glasgow Human Rights Network (GHRN)***

The European Parliament's **Sakharov Prize for Freedom of Thought** is awarded annually to honour exceptional individuals who combat intolerance, fanaticism and oppression. Like Andrei Sakharov himself, all the winners of the prize have shown how much courage it takes to defend human rights and freedom of expression.

The European Parliament Office in Scotland and the Glasgow Human Rights Network host this event at which students will mirror the process by which MEPs choose the winner of the Sakharov Prize. Students will present and argue the case for each nominee to receive the prize. Presentations will be followed by a discussion and vote among those present to determine the shortlist. After a further discussion, a vote will be taken to choose a winner - and we will see if the choice in Glasgow is the same as the choice made in Brussels!

2011 nominees

- **Izzeldin Abuelaish:** Founder of the Daughters for Life Foundation
- **'Arab Spring'** movement
- **Dzmitry Bandarenka:** Belarusian civil activist
- **Boris Pahor:** Writer from Italy, fighter for freedom of thought
- **San José de Apartadó Peace Community** of 'campesinos' from Colombia

**Thursday 3 November 2011**

**17.30 – 19.30**

**University of Glasgow  
Wolfson Medical School Building  
Seminar Room 2 (Hugh Fraser)**

Location C8 on Campus map: [http://www.gla.ac.uk/media/media\\_1887\\_en.pdf](http://www.gla.ac.uk/media/media_1887_en.pdf)

For more information about the Sakharov Prize & the nominees please visit:

- <http://www.europarl.europa.eu/parliament/public/staticDisplay.do?language=EN&id=42>
- <http://www.europarl.europa.eu/en/pressroom/content/20110912IPR26376/html/2011-Sakharov-Prize-for-Freedom-of-Thought-five-nominations>

**The event will conclude with refreshments served in the Wolfson Atrium  
*All are welcome – event is free of charge***

**To register for this event please email [GHRNadmin@glasgow.ac.uk](mailto:GHRNadmin@glasgow.ac.uk)  
[www.glasgow.ac.uk/humanrights](http://www.glasgow.ac.uk/humanrights)**