



# Center for Civic Education

## CIVITAS INTERNATIONAL PROGRAMS



*Civitas International Programs are directed by the Center for Civic Education and funded by the U.S. Department of Education under the Education for Democracy Act approved by the United States Congress; additional support is provided by the U.S. Department of State, the U.S. Agency for International Development, and other sources. The program is implemented throughout the world in cooperation with the U.S. Department of State, USAID, and nongovernmental and governmental institutions in the United States and abroad.*

---

### *Under the High Patronage of His Majesty Mohammed VI King of Morocco* **12<sup>th</sup> World Congress on Civic Education**

*Hosted by the Center for Civic Education and the Moroccan Center Civic Education,  
in collaboration with the Higher Council for Education, the Moroccan Ministry of Education,  
and with the support of Al Akhawayn University.*

**May 24–30, 2008**  
**Casablanca and Ifrane, Morocco**

### **Goals**

---

- ◆ To share information about the programs, projects, and activities conducted through the **Civitas International Programs**
- ◆ To learn about the work conducted by the Moroccan Center for Civic Education in the area of education for democratic citizenship
- ◆ To strengthen and expand the **Civitas International Programs** network
- ◆ To celebrate the achievements of Civitas International Programs, with a specific emphasis on the theme “Sustaining Civic Education: Achievements and Challenges”

### **Saturday, May 24**

---

All Day

Arrivals and Check-in: Casablanca

#### **Emergency Contact Information:**

Arlene Benitez: 1.626.716.6814

Elarbi Imad: from abroad (+212)61/638060, within Morocco 061/638060

Novotel: from abroad (+212)22/466500, within Morocco 022/466500

Ibis Hotel: from abroad (+212)22/466560, within Morocco 022/466560

10:00AM–6:00PM Registration in Novotel Lobby

Dinner on your own

### ***Sunday, May 25***

---

7:00–9:00AM Breakfast

9:00–Noon Depart Casablanca

12:30–2:00PM Lunch in Fez, Palais M’Nebhi

2:00–6:00 Tour of Fez

6:00–7:00 Transfer to Ifrane

7:00–8:00 Check-in at Al Akhawayn University

Dinner at University Cafeteria

### ***Monday, May 26***

---

7:00–9:00AM Breakfast

9:00–10:00 Conference Opening and Signing Ceremony  
 Elarbi Imad, President, Moroccan Center for Civic Education  
 Abdelaziz Meziane Belefkih, Advisor to His Majesty King  
 Mohammed VI, and Vice-Chair of Higher Council for  
 Education  
 Ahmed Akhchichen, Minister of Education, Morocco  
 Charles N. Quigley, Executive Director, Center for Civic  
 Education  
 Deborah A. Price, Assistant Deputy Secretary, Office of Safe  
 and Drug-Free Schools, U.S. Department of Education

10:00–10:30 Break

10:30–11:15 Plenary: *Civic Education in Morocco: Requirements and Challenges*  
 Mohammed Mellouk, Faculty of Education, Rabat

11:15–Noon Plenary: *The Moroccan Framework to Promote Civic Education in  
 Schools: the Views of the Higher Council for Education*  
 Abdellatif Elmoudni, Higher Council for Education, Morocco

Noon–1:30PM Lunch

---

1:30–2:00	Plenary: <i>Ministry of Education Programs in the Domain of Human Rights Education, Citizenship, and Civic Conduct</i> Khadija Chakir, Supervisor General, Ministry of Education, Morocco
2:00–2:30	Plenary: <i>Introduction to the Moroccan Center for Civic Education's Programs: Arab Civitas and CEPI</i> Elarbi Imad, President, Moroccan Center for Civic Education Alden Craddock, Director, International Democratic Education Institute, Bowling Green State University, Ohio Elasri Elhabchi, School CEPI Coordinator, Moroccan Center for Civic Education Said Zaidoune, University CEPI Coordinator, Moroccan Center for Civic Education
2:30–3:45	Student Presentations
3:45–4:15	Break
4:15–5:00	Small Group Discussion
5:00–7:00	Planning Time, Staff Office Hours
6:00–8:00	Dinner at University Cafeteria
8:00–10:00	Optional Activity: Film Night – Patrick Davidson's <i>The World We Want</i>

## ***Tuesday, May 27***

---

7:00–9:00AM	Breakfast
9:00–9:15	Announcements and Overview of the Day
9:15–10:00	Plenary: <i>Sustaining Civic Education: Achievements and Challenges</i> Rahela Dzidic, Executive Director, Civitas@Bosnia and Herzegovina Mark Molli, Associate Director, Center for Civic Education Mirsharrif Tillah, President, Philippine Center for Civic Education and Democracy, Philippines
10:00–10:15	Break
10:15–11:30	Thematic Sessions I (see list of descriptions)

---

11:45–1:00PM	Thematic Sessions II (see list of descriptions)
1:00–2:00	Lunch
2:00–2:30	Small Group Discussion
2:30–2:45	Break
2:45–4:00	Mini Plenary Sessions: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. <i>New Approaches in Project Citizen</i>            Dan Prinzing, Executive Director, Idaho Human Rights Education Center            Mona Alami, Country Coordinator, Jordanian Center for Civic Education Studies            Marianne McGill, Head of Research &amp; Development, Co-operation Ireland            Besim Beqaj, Executive Director, Civitas Kosova</li> <li>2. <i>Informing Democratic Citizenship Reforms in the Americas through Research</i>            Jorge Baxter, Education Specialist, Organization of American States            Carlana Imeri Velarde, Coordinator, Citizenship Education, Department of Education, Guatemala            Gabriel Murillo, Professor, Universidad de los Andes, Colombia</li> <li>3. <i>Institutionalizing Civic Education Reform: How Civil Society and Government Can Work Together to Achieve a Common Goal</i>            Mark Molli, Associate Director, Center for Civic Education            Annette Boyd Pitts, Executive Director, Florida Law Related Education Association</li> <li>4. <i>Civnet Tutorial: Using Technology to Advance Civic Education</i>            Silvia Uranga, Senior Consultant, Asociación Conciencia, Argentina            Federico Ricciardi, Fundacion Desarrollar, Argentina</li> </ol>
4:00–6:00	Regional Meetings 4:00–5:00 Regional Meetings: Asia, Latin America 5:00–6:00 Regional Meetings: Europe, Africa
6:00–8:00	Dinner at University Cafeteria

---

***Wednesday, May 28***

---

7:00–9:00AM	Breakfast
9:00–10:30	Planning Time, Staff Office Hours Coffee Break available from 10:00–10:30
10:30–11:30	Plenary Session: <i>Using Regional Networks to Sustain Civic Education</i> Mona Alami, Country Coordinator, Jordanian Center for Civic Education Studies Leonor Elmudesi de Bancalari, Coordinator General of Consortium, Dominican Republic Boubacar Tall, Head of Curriculum Office, INEADE, Senegal
11:30–Noon	Small Group Discussion
Noon–1:30	Lunch
1:30–2:45	Concurrent Sessions I (see list of descriptions)
3:00–4:15	Concurrent Sessions II (see list of descriptions)
4:15–4:45	Break
4:45–6:00	Concurrent Sessions III (see list of descriptions)
7:00–9:00	Dinner at University Cafeteria

---

***Thursday, May 29***

---

6:00–8:00AM	Breakfast
8:00–9:00	Check out of Al Akhawayn University
9:00–Noon	Transfer to Rabat
Noon–1:30PM	Lunch at the Embassy of the United States in Morocco
1:30–2:30	Transfer to Casablanca
2:30–4:00	Check-in at Casablanca Hotels
4:00–5:00	Press Conference

5:00–7:00	Conference Closing Session Stephen Frantzich, Professor, United States Naval Academy Richard Nuccio, Director, Civitas International Programs, Center for Civic Education Elarbi Imad, President, Moroccan Center for Civic Education
7:00–10:00	Student Cultural Presentations and Closing Dinner
10:00	Optional Activity: Closing Reception at Novotel

### ***Friday, May 30***

---

Departures