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7th - 9th March 2018

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15:00-15:15 Conference Room	Goodbye

To help participants, each session is colour coded as follows:

- Grant-skills
- Collaboration and Networking
- Learning from Concrete Experience
- New Knowledge



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Annual Meeting and Policy Briefing 2018

Ariadne is a European peer-to-peer network created for the common good of social change and human rights funders. Its overall purpose is to enable funders of all kinds to learn from each other, to share knowledge and experience, to provide a space for participants to grow their networks and to meet or stay in touch with other grant-makers and donors invested in similar or related fields.

The Planning Committee for 2018 has kept the following aims in mind:

- To help participants explore developments in funding and innovations in the field of human rights and social change.
- To assist members to save time and costs by explaining the digital and data collection tools available through Ariadne.
- To enable European funders to explore topical and difficult issues in the company of other funders in a “safe” space.
- To help participants to sharpen their skills as grant-makers and improve their grant-craft.
- To encourage the active participation of newer funders and grant-makers with fewer resources.
- To update members on the growth and development of Ariadne as a network.
- To learn and connect in an enjoyable way.

Notes:

- The language of the event is English – this is not the first language of many, please try not to use slang or speak too fast.
- The Policy Briefing is **subsidised** to enable as many funders as possible to take part and to benefit from it.
- We are **recording the three plenary sessions**. These videos will only be available to Ariadne members, through a password-protected website. We will obtain permission in advance from the moderators and their invited guests.
- The organisers of each break-out session have been asked to **appoint a note-taker** to post a brief blog with the five main points from their session on the relevant Ariadne portal community, for the benefit of those not able to be in Paris.
- A **tweet-free meeting**: We ask participants and guests not to tweet details of the event or to identify individuals present.
- **Policy on guests**: We are delighted that guests are willing to give up their time and energy to help make the Policy Briefing successful and interesting. They are welcome to attend any session **on the day of their own contribution, except where it is specifically marked on the Agenda as open only to funders**.

Wednesday 7th March

10:00 – 10:30 **Registration & Coffee**

10:30 – 12:00 **What is Ariadne, and what does it offer members?** This session, which will be moderated by *Emilie Dromzee, Ariadne Francophone Coordinator and Lori Klos, Communications and Events Manager*, offers newcomers to Ariadne, or old hands who need to brush up on their skills, a chance to find out what the network does and how to use the tools it offers to make their work as a funder easier and more fun. *Jenna Capeci, Deputy Director of the Human Rights Funders Network*, will give a brief introduction to the Human Rights Map. **Open to funders only**

12:00 – 13:00 **Lunch**

13:00 – 13:45 **Speed Networking:** organised by *Lori Klos, Ariadne Communications and Events Manager and Jenny Oppenheimer, Ariadne UK Coordinator*. This is part of the structured networking at an Ariadne Briefing, and a chance to meet other social change and human rights grant-makers at speed, with each 'introduction' lasting only 6 minutes.

14:00 – 14:20 **Introduction**

- Welcome from *Julie Broome, Ariadne Director*.
- Who's in the room? Based on registration questions.
- Brief tour of the main local human rights and social change issues in France from *Benoit Miribel, President of Centre Français des Fonds et Fondations* and *Matthieu Calame, Director of Fondation Charles Léopold Mayer*.
- Introduction and breakdown of sessions from this year's meta-facilitators, *EJ Jacobs, Programme Director at the Nduna Foundation* and *Juliette Decoster, Programme Officer at Fondation Charles Léopold Mayer*.

14:20 – 15:50 **Plenary 1: Mobilising for equality: Minority women in France.** Prior to the economic crisis in France, minority women were already experiencing social and economic hardship. They have been disproportionately disadvantaged by the ongoing impact of austerity, which has led to an increase in the inequality they face. However, policy processes, institutions, and civil society give little space for their intersectional social justice claims. They are not included in wider social movements and struggles and often face hostility from ostensible allies. This session will explore how, despite this environment, minority women's activism is flourishing in France, where there is a growing awareness and nascent conversation about the patterns of colonialism inherent in law and policy. It will examine definitions of intersectionality in Europe which go beyond gender and class, and how taking such an approach is critical for foundations with an interest in social justice. Speakers will include *Emilia Roig, Director of the new Centre for Intersectional Justice, Amandine Gay, filmmaker and actress* and *Rokhaya Diallo, journalist*. The session will be moderated by *Susan Treadwell, Deputy Director of the Open Society Initiative for Europe*.

15:50 – 16:20 **Coffee Break**

16:20 – 17:50 **Break-out Sessions 1:** Please note, these sessions run simultaneously, please sign up for the session of your choice by using the links on the online Ariadne 2018 Policy Briefing Community.

Breakout 1-1: Philanthropy for human rights defenders: New data and dialogue on the state of the field.

A new study, commissioned by ProtectDefenders.EU, found that between 2014 and 2016, requests for support from human rights defenders doubled each year, while global funding for human rights defenders is not keeping pace with demand. While interest among private funders in supporting human rights defenders is growing, this growth falls short of compensating for the decline in public funding as donor governments move to the right. We invite you to join this session to learn more about the study's results, discuss how we as staff members in foundations can build arguments internally and pursue strategies that can increase the pot of funding for human rights defenders, and why this matters more than ever in era in which democratic values and human rights principles are increasingly challenged. This session will be moderated by **Caitlin Stanton, Director of Partnerships at the Urgent Action Fund**, with expert input from **Poonam Joshi, Executive Director of the Sigrid Rausing Trust** and **Matthew Hart, Director of the Global Philanthropy Project**.

Breakout 1-2: Shifting public discourse on refugees and migration: How to impact 'the Anxious Middle'.

This session will share the results of 2017/18 opinion polling in 6 countries (Germany, France, Italy, Greece, The Netherlands and Ireland) and the follow up activities being taken to impact 'the anxious middle' of public attitudes to refugees and migrants. The data offers both national and pan-European perspectives. The activities include further research into specific sector opinion in France (Catholic congregations); training and support for civil society activists engaging in strategic communication in Germany; and support for new voices to carry messages that can impact on 'the anxious middle'. It also focuses on a variety of funder approaches to supporting practical initiatives that enable civil society to influence the public discourse. Workshop participation will be actively encouraged by a table group quiz to kick off the discussion. This session will be moderated by **Annmarie Benedict, Programme Executive at The Social Change Initiative**, with input from **Lisa Quinn, Co-founder and Director at the International Centre for Policy Advocacy, Germany** and **Mathieu Lefevre, Co-founder and Director of More in Common, France**.

Breakout 1-3: Stronger together? Building connections between human rights and environmental rights work.

Environmental protection and human rights are often at cursory glance seen as two separate worlds and funding priorities. However, at closer inspection there are many linkages between the two fields, and there are great opportunities for funders to adopt a more joined up and holistic funding approach that better meets the needs of human rights and environmental activists. A safe and healthy environment is a prerequisite and frame enabling all of us to enjoy our human rights. Freedom of expression, assembly and association, and access to information and justice are critical for the protection of our planet. Indigenous People, women and the most vulnerable people in society suffer directly and heavily from the decline of ecosystems they rely upon for their livelihoods. Environmental rights defenders are one of the most at risk groups of activists. This session wants to raise awareness of the links between human rights and environmental protection and elaborate how human rights funders' strategies already take them into consideration. In a participatory learning-from-experience session, participants will hear from activists and funders about opportunities and challenges of a holistic approach and share experiences in the three following areas: women's rights and the environment, climate migration, and environmental rights defenders. This session will be moderated by **Inga Wachsmann, Programme Officer at Fondation Charles Léopold Mayer** and **Eva Rehse, Executive Director at Global Greengrants Fund**, with expert input from **Gregory Regaignon, Programme Officer - International Human Rights at the Wellspring Philanthropic Fund**, **Alex Randall, Programme Manager at the Climate and Migration Coalition** and **Salome Chagelishvili, Programme Coordinator, Women's Fund in Georgia**.

19:30 - 20:00

Pre-drinks at Le Reservoir

20:00 - 22:00 Informal Dinner at Le Reservoir, 16 Rue de la Forge Royale, Paris, France (Policy Briefing guests and leading members of French civil society)

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Thursday 8th March

08:15 – 09:00 Yoga

09:15 – 09:45 **Coffee and Networking Game – ‘She Changed the World’:** organised by **Lori Klos, Ariadne Communications and Events Manager and Jenny Oppenheimer, Ariadne UK Coordinator**. This year participants will have another chance to network with peers by playing a game on the theme of International Women’s Day. It will be an opportunity to celebrate and commemorate the countless achievements of women around the world and a time to recognise the many gender inequalities that still exist today and talk about what we can do to create a fairer, more balanced world.

09:45 – 10:00 **Briefings for off-site visits:** These will take place in different rooms. There are limited numbers for each visit, please sign up in advance through the online Ariadne 2018 Policy Briefing Community.

10:00 – 13:00 **Off-site visits:**

Option 1: Singa Europe - Initially a citizen movement, SINGA is an incubator for migrant entrepreneurs which creates opportunities for migrants and their host communities to meet and cooperate. It aims to build bridges between people, encouraging dialogue, fostering cultural enrichment and creating job opportunities. It raises awareness about the issue of asylum in host countries, and seeks to change society’s perception of refugees and their role in the community. SINGA supports refugees during their socio-economic integration through a project-based methodology, empowering refugees to take an active part in society through its CALM programme. During this visit, participants will hear about the initiative from **Singa CEO Alice Barbe** and **Hamze Ghalebi, President of SINGA** and a refugee himself. Hamze was a political activist in Iran, forced to leave his country in 2009 when facing jail after the green revolution. A host who participated in the CALM programme will discuss his experience with SINGA. The conclusion of the meeting will be presented by **David Robert, SINGA Deputy Director** and a journalist by training in the cultural sector. He joined SINGA as a volunteer in 2014 and developed various activities related to integration through art and culture. The visit will be moderated by **Debora Guidetti, Countering Hatred Project Coordinator at Ariadne**.

Option 2: Vox Public - VoxPublic is an independent organisation which supports and advises members of civil society and organised citizens in order to strengthen their capacity to take part in public discussions and call out political leaders. It advises on their actions and campaigns and provides them with unlimited and free access to professional expertise and strategic resources. The organisation leads a network of high skilled volunteers, ready to share their know-how and support the work of local, regional and national actors from French civil society who are fighting discrimination, social injustice and corruption. During this visit, participants will hear about VoxPublic from its **Director, Jean-Marie Fardeau**, and meet some of the groups that the organisation is currently advising, such as ‘*Plateforme pour en Finir avec les Contrôles au Faciès*,’ an ethnic profiling platform, and ‘*CNDH-Romeurope*,’ an organisation leading the campaign for the

right to education for Roma children in France. The visit will be moderated by **Emilie Deudon, General Delegate at Un Monde par Tous.**

Option 3: Sherpa – Sherpa, a Paris-based association set up in 2001 to protect and defend victims of economic crimes, gathers legal experts and lawyers from diverse backgrounds and works closely with many civil society organisations around the world. Its activities rely on the generous support of volunteers, interns and lawyers who work *pro bono*. This site visit aims to present the challenges of the new French corporate duty of vigilance law, which establishes a legally binding obligation for large or parent companies to identify and prevent adverse human rights and environmental impacts resulting from their own activities, from activities of companies they control, and from activities of their subcontractors and suppliers, with whom they have an established commercial relationship. **Sandra Cossart, Sherpa Director, Sabine Gagnier, CSR Advocacy Officer at Amnesty International and Mathilde Dupre, Chair of the Citizen Forum for Corporate Social Responsibility** will discuss the corporate capture of power and the question of soft law versus hard law, the response of the duty of vigilance and highlight the collective civil society process of building a law. The visit will be moderated by **Juliette Decoster, Programme Manager at Fondation Charles Léopold Mayer.**

Option 4: CRAN - Conseil Représentatif des Associations Noires (CRAN), is the representative council of Black associations in France. CRAN works on diversity statistics, with the aim of measuring racial discrimination. It works in the field of politics to ensure better representation of diversity in the government, the National Assembly and local authorities. It develops projects focused on tackling social inequalities and works in the audio-visual field to ensure a better representation of diversity in the media, and particularly in television. In the social field, CRAN demonstrates the over-representation of black and Arab youth in police controls, thus raising the issue of racial profiling. During the visit, participants will hear from **Louis Georges Tin, CRAN President and founder of the International Day Against Homophobia and Transphobia (the IDAHO)** on the work the association is doing in combating racism and homophobia in France through its diversity statistics. The visit will be moderated by **Emilie Dromzee, Ariadne Francophone Coordinator.**

13:00 – 14:00 Lunch & Funder Soapbox: Taking place during lunch, the Funder Soapbox is an opportunity to share your philanthropic priorities, promote a new project or grantee, ask for advice, or announce an event. There will be seven available spots, consisting of three minutes each and sign-ups for these will take place during the event. The funder soapbox will be moderated by **Gregory Czarnecki, LGBTI Programme Officer at Open Society Foundations.**

14:00 – 15:30 Plenary 2: Closing space: stop the handwringing, let's act! How do you build a grant-making strategy which can work towards a more enabling environment for civil society? Building from previous discussions within the funder community, this plenary will take an action-oriented, practical approach to sharing learning about effective strategies and identifying new opportunities for joint action. We will introduce a conceptual framework which distinguishes between strategies designed to resist closing civic space and those that support civil society's resilience. In table groups, we will examine how funders have used grant-making and non-financial tools to deliver a range of strategies - including shaping public opinion, building coalitions and alliances, and others - in different country contexts within and outside the EU. This will be a participatory session: come along ready to share what's worked and lessons learned from your own grant-making strategies, and ready to pick up new ideas. The plenary will be moderated by **Poonam Joshi, Executive Director of the Sigrid Rausing Trust,** with expert input from **Iva Dobichina, Associate Director for Participation at the Open Society Foundation's Human Rights Initiative, Deborah Doane, Director of the Funders Initiative for Civil Society and Nick Grono, Executive Director of the Freedom Fund.**

15:30 – 17:00 **Open Space:** This time is designed for free networking or for urgent meetings on matters of immediate interest to funders. Participants will have a chance to present their proposals during the lunch soapbox, and there will be two rooms available for holding *ad-hoc* meetings.

Optional Grant Skills Workshop: Giving power to activists - Exploring participatory grantmaking with Edge Fund and FundAction: Due to popular demand, this year Ariadne is introducing an optional grant skills workshop on the issue of participatory grantmaking. Those with lived experience know best what needs to change, and can be the most effective drivers of social change. It is the job of the philanthropic world to facilitate that, at times to advocate, but not to control. Participatory grantmaking can bring democracy to the funding process and reaches further into communities to support grassroots social change activities. In this Grant Skills workshop, you will have the chance to explore the opportunities and challenges of participatory grantmaking together with members of the Edge Fund UK and FundAction, two examples of participatory grantmaking in practice. You will hear from **Patrick Boase of the Edge Fund and Network for Social Change** and **Laura Roth, member of the FundAction facilitation group, Barcelona en Comu**, on the motivation of funders and activists to push for more participatory processes in grantmaking and you can start thinking about how you might be able to include these practices in your own grantmaking practice. The workshop will be moderated by **Tobias Troll of EDGE Funders Alliance**.

Please note, the grant skills workshop will take place at the same time as the open space.

17:30 – 19:00 **Optional Black Paris Walk - A walk through the streets of Paris with an unusual theme:** Led by Kévi Donat, originally from Martinique, this walking tour deals with diversity in France. It takes participants to three iconic working-class neighbourhoods, showing much about the evolution of immigration in the city. If Pigalle and Montmartre are now internationally known for their nightlife, La Goutte d'Or with its African community is a fascinating example of contemporary diversity in Paris. Between gentrification and immigration, it could be a case study of the emergence of an Afropean culture in France. *The cost of attending the tour is €10 per person. You can register via the Ariadne portal or during the event.*

19:30 – 20:30 **Drinks reception with the Global Greengrants Fund and Prospera - International Network of Women's Funds - at Chez Jenny.** Global Greengrants Fund and Prospera International Network of Women's Funds would like to invite all participants to a pre-Lemon dinner drinks reception to launch a new, joint report mapping the funding landscape for women and the environment. Join us to learn more about funding levels, hear from women's rights activists addressing environmental justice challenges, and find out what practical steps funders can take to support women's environmental action.

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20:30 – 22:00 **Lemon of the Year: Networking Dinner at Chez Jenny Restaurant, 39 Boulevard du Temple, 75003 Paris, France. Open only to funders.** A lemon is defined as **bad practice, a process gone wrong or a very disappointing investment in which your expected return wasn't even close to being achieved**. For the first part of the dinner, lemons will be discussed at each table, with the conversation moderated by a table host. Once the main course is finished, **Julie Broome, Ariadne Director**, will reflect on lemons and why they are useful. She will ask the table hosts to nominate the finest lemon from their table for retelling and invite comments on them. *The aim of the exercise is not to judge, but instead to help us learn from our lemons in a humorous way. All parts of the Lemon Dinner are open only to funders, we ask that what is said in the room, remains in the room. All participants who share their experiences with*

the assembled company will be rewarded! After the lemon discussion, please feel free to move tables as you wish.

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Friday 9th March

09:00 - 09:30 Coffee & Pastries

09:30 – 10:30 **Ariadne Network Briefing – Update on the network. Funders only.** **Julie Broome, Ariadne Director** will give a brief update on the work of the network and its newly released 2018 Ariadne Forecast for Human Rights and Social Change Funders. **Lori Klos, Ariadne Communications and Events Manager** will offer the **Red Thread Award** for the best use of the portal in the past year, and **Julie Broome, Ariadne Director** will offer the **Ariadne Hero Award** for exceptional feats of heroism performed for Ariadne. **Jenna Capeci, Deputy Director of the Human Rights Funders Network** will provide a brief update on the launch of the five-year Trends Analysis, part of the Advancing Human Rights project, a collaboration between Ariadne, Human Rights Funders Network, Prospera - International Network of Women's Funds and Foundation Centre.

10:30 – 12:00 **Break-out Sessions 2:** Please note, these sessions run simultaneously, please sign up for the session of your choice by using the links on the online Ariadne 2018 Policy Briefing Community.

Breakout 2-1: Real news, real change: how to fund transformative media. Contesting closing space for civil society; social justice advocacy; preventing the spread of fake news and combatting the election of extremist parties are all essential parts of the agenda for every social change and human rights funder. But efforts to nurture, grow and magnify the impact of this work will be nullified if we don't have a strong and independent media to work with. In the past funders have been reluctant to support high-quality journalism for lots of reasons: fear of controversy, anxiety about 'taking sides', and a lack of knowledge about how to do it well. But the past two years have underlined just how vital high-quality, honest and accountable journalism is - to both defend and enhance democracy and human rights. And there is not currently a business model which sustains this important work. This session will look at why it's important for European funders to support independent media as a key pillar of civil society, explore how to go about it and what to avoid. We will look at case studies of projects that have worked well to support these goals, learn from some failures, and explore possible initiatives for funders interested in this area, which could have cross-cutting benefit. This session will be moderated by **Nienke Venema, Director of Democracy and Media Foundation**, with expert input from **Mary Fitzgerald, Editor in Chief at openDemocracy.net** and **Merel Borger, Programme Manager at the Adessium Foundation**.

Breakout 2-2: What is funding for “Movement Equity”? Spotlight on Trans and Intersex movements and philanthropic advocacy. Funders for LGBTQ Issues and Global Philanthropy Project, in consultation with the US State Department and the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Kingdom of Sweden, have for the second time partnered to conduct comprehensive research on the state of funding for lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, queer and intersex (LGBTQI) communities worldwide. The report tracks 2013-2014 and 2015-2016 data. This session will explore the data on LGBTI philanthropic efforts globally and in Europe specifically. We anticipate a final data set of >450 institutional grantmakers and we have received a number of new submissions from key foundations, government, and multilateral grantmakers. This will be the European launch of the report and the first ever public discussion of the 2015-16 data. In addition

to a review of the European data, this session will explore how Trans* and Intersex movements globally are organising, and the current state of funding for Trans* and Intersex-led organisations. It will then explore why such stark funding inequities exist and what we can do to address them. We will share a real-time case study of the work that **Astraea Lesbian Foundation for Justice**, the **American Jewish World Service** and the **Global Philanthropy Project** are doing together with Global Action for Trans Equality, the International Trans Fund, and the Intersex Human Rights Fund to educate and encourage foundation and government donors to invest major new resources in these movements. This session will be moderated by **Matthew Hart, Director of the Global Philanthropy Project**, with expert input from **Kapil Gupta, Programme Associate at the Sigrid Rausing Trust**, **Ruth Baldacchino, Intersex Fund Programme Officer at the Astraea Lesbian Foundation for Justice** and **Broden Giambrone, Director of the International Trans Fund**.

Breakout 2-3: Immigration, tolerance and fears: the French case: This session contrasts the perceptions recent MENA migrants/refugees have of France with the image portrayed of them by the French population. Based on surveys (*the Annual CNCDH Barometer on Racism*) and interviews (*with migrants/refugees, NGOs, representatives of the civil society at large, including the Jewish community*), this session will demonstrate that the fear of a “clash of values” and “imported antisemitism” is not founded and will outline several interreligious and intercultural good practices promoting solidarity and helping integration. The project is part of a European research project in five countries. This session will be moderated by **Sonja Böhme, Team Lead at the Stiftung Erinnerung, Verantwortung und Zukunft**, with expert input from **Elodie Druetz and Nonna Mayer of the Centre d'études Européennes et de Politique Comparée, Sciences Po/CNRS**.

12:00 – 13:00 Lunch

13:00 – 13:30 Reflections on the conference and lessons learned, moderated by **Julie Broome, Ariadne Director**.

13:30 – 15:00 **Plenary 3: An effective response to Anti-Gender Ideologies: An opportunity for funders to embrace cross-movement building and counter authoritarian and populist trends.** Anti-gender movements are part of a powerful global strategy that unifies the right and both heralds and fuels the rise of illiberal populism. At the heart of the anti-gender ideology is the espousal of narrowly traditional and stereotypical views of family. As a result, anti-gender movements attack not only LGBTI rights and reproductive rights such as abortion, but violence against women initiatives and comprehensive sexuality education. The success of anti-gender movements is evident on many fronts from the Hungarian Ministry of Education recently announcing the deletion of the concept of gender from the national curriculum to the Colombian peace plebiscite's failure due to the gender references in the peace agreement. And yet, the wide swath of constituencies targeted by anti-gender movements provide an opportunity to strengthen movements and forge regional and international alliances beyond the “usual suspects” while developing a progressive and inclusive vision of family and gender. This panel brings together the voices of advocates and activists from different fields and regions to share their experiences and to brainstorm ideas for supporting effective and unifying responses to anti-gender movements. This session will be moderated by **Elisa Slattery, Women's Rights Programme Officer with Open Society Foundations**, with expert input from **Monica Roa, Independent Consultant and former Programmes Director at Women's Link Worldwide**, **Gordan Bosanac of the Center for Peace Studies** and **Gohar Shahnazaryan, Co-director of Women's Resource Center of Armenia**.

15:00 – 15:15 **Goodbye** from the two *meta-facilitators* **EJ Jacobs, Programme Director at the Nduna Foundation** and **Juliette Decoster, Programme Officer at Fondation Charles Léopold Mayer** and **Julie Broome, Ariadne Director**.

Notes:

Thank you

Ariadne thanks in particular, this year's Planning Committee: *Juliette Decoster, Programme Manager at the Fondation Charles Léopold Mayer; Karisia Gichuke, Anti-Discrimination Team Manager at the Open Society Initiative for Europe; Anca Nicovescu, Grantmaking Programmes Director at the Civil Society Development Foundation; EJ Jacobs, Programme Director at the Nduna Foundation, Susan Jessop, Senior Officer for Content Development - Research, Knowledge and Advocacy at Mama Cash and Pia Gerber, Executive Director at Freudenberg Stiftung.* We would also like to thank all those who submitted suggestions and proposals. We couldn't say yes to all of you, but we greatly appreciated the response!

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