



INTERNATIONAL COALITION
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The International Coalition against Enforced Disappearances (ICAED) is a global network of organisations of families of disappeared and NGO's working in a non-violent manner against the practice of enforced disappearances at the local, national and international level. The ICAED was founded in 2007 as a result from the 25 year long struggle of families of disappeared and human rights defenders for an international legally binding instrument against enforced disappearances.

The primary purpose of the ICAED is working together towards early ratification and effective implementation of the **International Convention for the Protection of all Persons from Enforced Disappearances**, which was adopted by the UN General Assembly on December 20 2006. The international campaign of ICAED will first look for early ratification by at least 20 States which will lead to the entry into force of the Convention and the Committee.

The ICAED offers the opportunity for its members to gather and exchange experiences, combine the different skills and expertise, coordinate projects, make effective use of resources and identify and carry out possible joint actions.

The ICAED invites all organisations of family members of disappeared and independent non governmental organisations concerned with the issue of human rights and the struggle against enforced disappearances to join the efforts of ICAED by becoming a member.

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Current members of the ICAED:

Amnesty International, Asian Federation Against Involuntary Disappearances (AFAD), Civil Initiative We Remember Foundation - Belarus, Collectif des Familles de Disparus en Algérie (CFDA), Euro-Med Federation Against Enforced Disappearances (FEMED), Fédération Internationale des Droits de l'Homme (FIDH), Fédération Internationale de l'ACAT (FIACAT), Federación Latinoamericana de Asociaciones de Familiares de Detenidos-Desaparecidos (FEDEFAM), Human Rights Watch (HRW), Aim for human rights, International Commission of Jurists (ICJ), Russian Justice Initiative - Russia, Liga Guatemateca de Higiene Mental - Guatemala, Breaking the Walls of Silence - Namibia, AFAPREDESA – Western Sahara, Lawyers for Human Rights – South Africa, TRIAL - Switzerland, Disarmament and Non-Violence – Georgia, Asociación Derechos Humanos Económicos, Sociales y Culturales en Guatemala (DESCGUA) - Guatemala, National Society for Human Rights (NSHR) - Namibia