The Age of Human Rights Journal

INTRODUCTION

It is a great pleasure to present the first issue of the *The Age of Human Rights Journal*, and to do so just on the International Day of Human Rights.

This new journal is aimed at the dissemination of all types of studies, essays and comments concerning Human Rights from different approaches and fields of knowledge, such as Jurisprudence, Philosophy of Law, Constitutional Law, Political Philosophy and other legal or philosophical disciplines.

We intend that, from the very first issue, the Journal will set an international benchmark in the field of human rights, and will become a meeting place for the discussion of the major challenges rights are facing today. In order to meet such an aim, we have the support and advice of a distinguished scientific board, consisting of scholars as relevant as Robert Alexy, Joana Abrisketa, Kai Ambos, Reiner Arnold, Fareda Banda, Martha N. Bello Albarracin, Emmanuel Decaux, Elias Diaz, Sakiko Fukuda-Parr, Todd Landman, Massimo La Torre, Mario Losano, Javier de Lucas, Susan Millns, Felipe Morente, Ramon Paniagua, Antonio E. Luño Perez, Philip Pettit, Michel Rosenfeld, and Richard Wilson.

This Journal is edited in the framework of the Research Program "The Age of Rights", composed of about one hundred researchers belonging to some of the most important human rights research groups, who aim to analyse integrally the reality of human rights in contemporary societies by identifying the main challenges and problems they face today, or may face in the future, and to propose possible solutions leading to the establishment of an international rule of law. Our aim, in short, is to contribute, through scientific reflection, to make the 21st century, eventually, the age of rights.

Finally, we would like to make this journal a tribute to one of the leading researchers and proponents of human rights in Spain, internationally recognized, and founder of the research program, Dr. Gregorio Peces-Barba.

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