

Reflexion

**THOUGHT OF AN AUTISTIC PERSON TAKING PART  
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Regarding Human Rights, I see that human beings are facing two types of problems :

- those imposed on them by external factors (like human decisions or behaviours, or natural actions of the environment) ;
- those related to internal factors, inherent to their own person (like disabilities).

The external problems can target any person, without distinctions, but persons with disabilities or vulnerabilities have more difficulties to defend or protect themselves, or to find solutions.

These persons are exposed, like the others, to all the general problems addressed by the Human Rights institutions (like for instance racial discriminations, violence to women, arbitrary detention and all kinds of fundamental rights violations), but on top of that, they are also exposed to an additional layer of problems, because of their particular personal physical or mental condition.

This creates a risk of more inequities and injustices for these persons, who have to struggle against the externally-based problems, like anyone, but also against those resulting from their internal condition, particularly in case of bad handling by the whole society.

If the goal of the Human Rights institutions is to foster equal opportunities and to reduce injustices among human beings, then they should put the persons victims of this double-exposure to problems on the top of their priorities and agendas.

Currently, this is really not the case.

I wish however to express my gratefulness, and my admiration, to the Kingdom of Morocco for all the efforts that were made to perform successfully the incredible challenge of this inspiring and historic communion of the World's Citizens of Good Will.

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