

# Oslo Freedom Forum to be hosted in Joburg this March

The Human Rights Foundation (HRF), in partnership with the Nelson Mandela Foundation, will be hosting the first-ever Oslo Freedom Forum in Johannesburg (OFFinJoburg) on 26 March 2018.



The event will link OFF's existing network with new partners to strengthen human rights and civil liberties in Africa and beyond. OFFinJoburg will feature talks, networking, exhibits, entertainment, and conversations between courageous dissidents and leaders from business, philanthropy, technology, policy, and media.

Speakers at OFFinJoburg will include Zimbabwean civil rights activist and #ThisFlag movement leader [Evan Mawarire](#), former Maldivian president [Mohamed Nasheed](#), Moroccan-born French free expression advocate and journalist [Zineb El Rhazoui](#), Arab Spring writer and journalist [Iyad el-Baghdadi](#), Chinese-Canadian actress and human rights activist [Anastasia Lin](#), Angolan investigative journalist [Rafael Marques de Morais](#), and Eritrean information activist and refugee rescuer [Meron Estefanos](#), and Egyptian actor and LGBT rights activist [Omar Sharif Jr.](#), among others.

OFFinJoburg will be held in Bryanston, Johannesburg, and live-streamed. Register for the event [here](#). OFFinJoburg is made possible through the support of the John Templeton Foundation and the *Mail & Guardian*.

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