

The Argentine government's refusal to grant visas to numerous intellectuals from various countries of the South is particularly regrettable. All the more so given that they were meant to engage in meaningful exchange with their Argentine counterparts on Culture, Heritage and the Arts. If we do not speak to each other today, then when shall we? To forbid the fraternity of women and men of goodwill is a very poor idea indeed. This backward closure of Argentina's borders does not even provoke anger – it causes sadness.

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