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# EXPECTING AN END TO THE DEATH PENALTY

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17 rue de la Sorbonne, Amphithéâtre Oury

## ‘Idealistic and Naïve’?

**Matthew Goldberg**, President of the World Coalition Against the Death Penalty, presents an imaginative rearticulation of the global vision for abolition. Part One is organised around the concept of ‘naïvety’, counteracting the proposition that expectations for international consensus on this issue should be scaled down in the current political climate. Matthew intends for a philosophy of urgency to emerge from these lectures that may be translated into major legal reform.

With introductory remarks by **Professor Florence Bellivier**, this is the first of a three-part series, billed as a response to ‘political realities’ that have delayed the total eradication of the death penalty. The University of Oxford’s Death Penalty Research Unit, in conjunction with the World Coalition Against the Death Penalty, is hosting this series in France, the UK, and the US. Notably coinciding with the UN General Assembly’s 2024 resolution calling for an international moratorium on the death penalty, these lectures are intended to promote an open dialogue, they are accessible to the general public, and will be available online.

