

Release women human rights defender Atena Daemi

Women human rights defender Atena Daemi has been sentenced to several years in prison for peacefully defending women's rights, and advocating against the death penalty. Peacefully advocating for justice and equality is not a crime.

Atena is being kept in horrible conditions, in a jail intended for violent criminals that used to be an industrial chicken farm. She has been badly abused by prison guards and her life is in grave danger.

Atena peacefully advocated for human rights in Iran knowing it put her at grave risk because Iranian authorities were cracking down on women human rights defenders. Atena and other women's rights activists have faced unfounded accusations, threats, and verbal assaults for defying traditional gender roles by publicly speaking out about inequality.

"I will defend the rights of my sisters until my last breath." - Atena Daemi

Atena has risked everything to build a more just and equal society. Amnesty International considers Atena to be a prisoner of conscience, and is calling for her immediately and unconditionally release.