



In December 2002, the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organisation (UNESCO) declared May 21st as the World Day for Cultural Diversity for Dialogue and Development. This day offers us the opportunity to deepen our understanding of the values of cultural diversity and advance the four goals of the [UNESCO Convention on the Protection and Promotion of the Diversity of Cultural Expressions](#)

To mark this day, Ciné-ONU screened the film 'Among the Believers', introduced by Paolo Fontani (Director of the UNESCO Liaison Office in Brussels) at Cinema Galeries, Brussels on 18 May 2017. The film documents the Red Mosque madrassa network in Pakistan run by Abdul Aziz Ghazi, a self-proclaimed ISIS supporter and Taliban ally. It depicts the complex relationship between poverty, religion and failing authorities, allowing Aziz's network of schools to spread extremist ideologies and anti-government sentiment.



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