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During the Plenary Session in Strasbourg, the President of the European Parliament Roberta Metsola announced that the 2023 Sakharov Prize for Freedom of Thought has been awarded to Jina Mahsa Amini and the Woman, Life and Freedom Movement in Iran.



I am proud to announce that the 2023 Sakharov Prize for Freedom of Thought has been awarded to Jina Mahsa Amini and the Woman, Life and Freedom Movement in Iran.

Dear colleagues,

The 16th of September 2022 is a date, which will live in infamy.

The brutal murder of 22-year old Jina Mahsa Amini marked a turning point.

It has triggered a women-led movement that is making history.

The world has heard the chants of Women. Life. Liberty. Three words that have become a rallying cry for all those standing up for equality, for dignity and for freedom in Iran.

Let today's prize serve as our tribute to the brave and defiant women, men and young people in Iran who, despite coming under increasing pressure, are leading the push for change.

The European Parliament hears you. The world sees you and we are with you.

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