## New Decision for Execution of Dr. Ahmadreza Djalali

Scuola Normale Superiore supports the appeal of Scholars at Risk (SAR) Italy to ask Italian institutions and the university world to mobilize to save the life of Dr. Ahmadreza Djalali.

Iranian government took a new decision about Dr. Ahmadreza Djalali. According to Iran's ISNA news agency on May 4, 2022, Dr. Djalali, a Swedish-Iranian citizen, is faced with the risk of being executed on May 21, 2022. Dr. Djalali was sentenced to death in Iran on charges of spying for Israel. Dr. Ahmadreza Djalali was in the past two times faced with being executed by the Iranian authorities.

Dr. Djalali, a medical doctor and lecturer at the Karolinska Institute in Stockholm, a researcher at the Center for Disaster Medicine (Crimedim) of the University of Eastern Piedmont and at the Vrije Universiteit in Brussels, was arrested in April 2016 while he was traveling for the academic workshops organized by the universities in Tehran and Shiraz. On October 21, 2017, Iranian Supreme Court sentenced Dr. Djalali to death for "corruption on earth."

Against this decision national and international institutions, organization, and associations have mobilized for supporting Dr. Ahmadreza Djalali and asked the political authorities to take immediate action for his release. In this regard, Scholars at Risk (SAR) published a <u>public letter</u> to the Iranian authorities urging them to halt the decision for execution and for his release. SAR has also updated its public letter of appeal, <u>which you can sign and share</u>. International Amnesty has published their <u>letter of appeal</u> urging the Iranian authorities to take immediate action of halting the execution and securing his release.

The national section, <u>SAR-Italy</u>, has written a letter to the Italian authorities, in the name of the Italian institutions and universities to take action to save the life of Dr. Ahmadreza Djalali.

