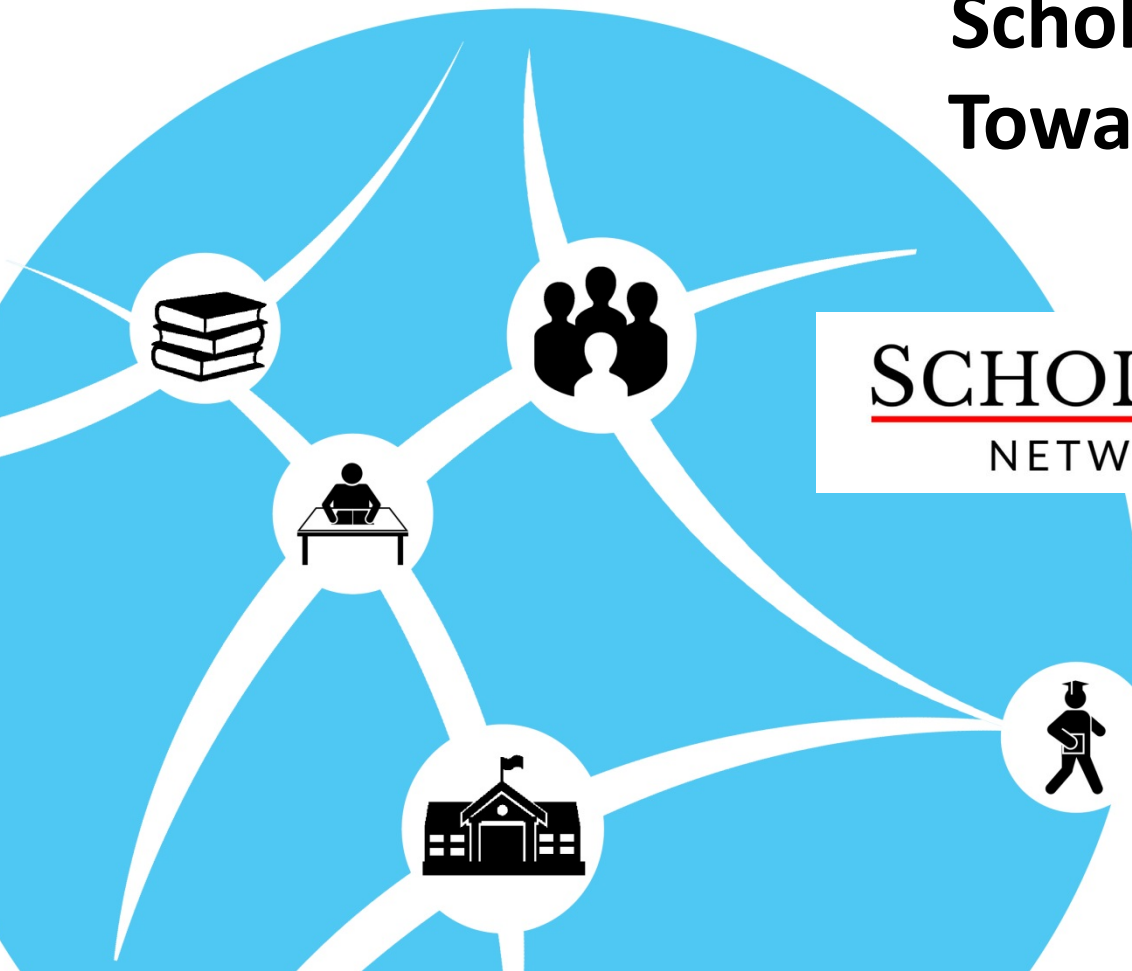


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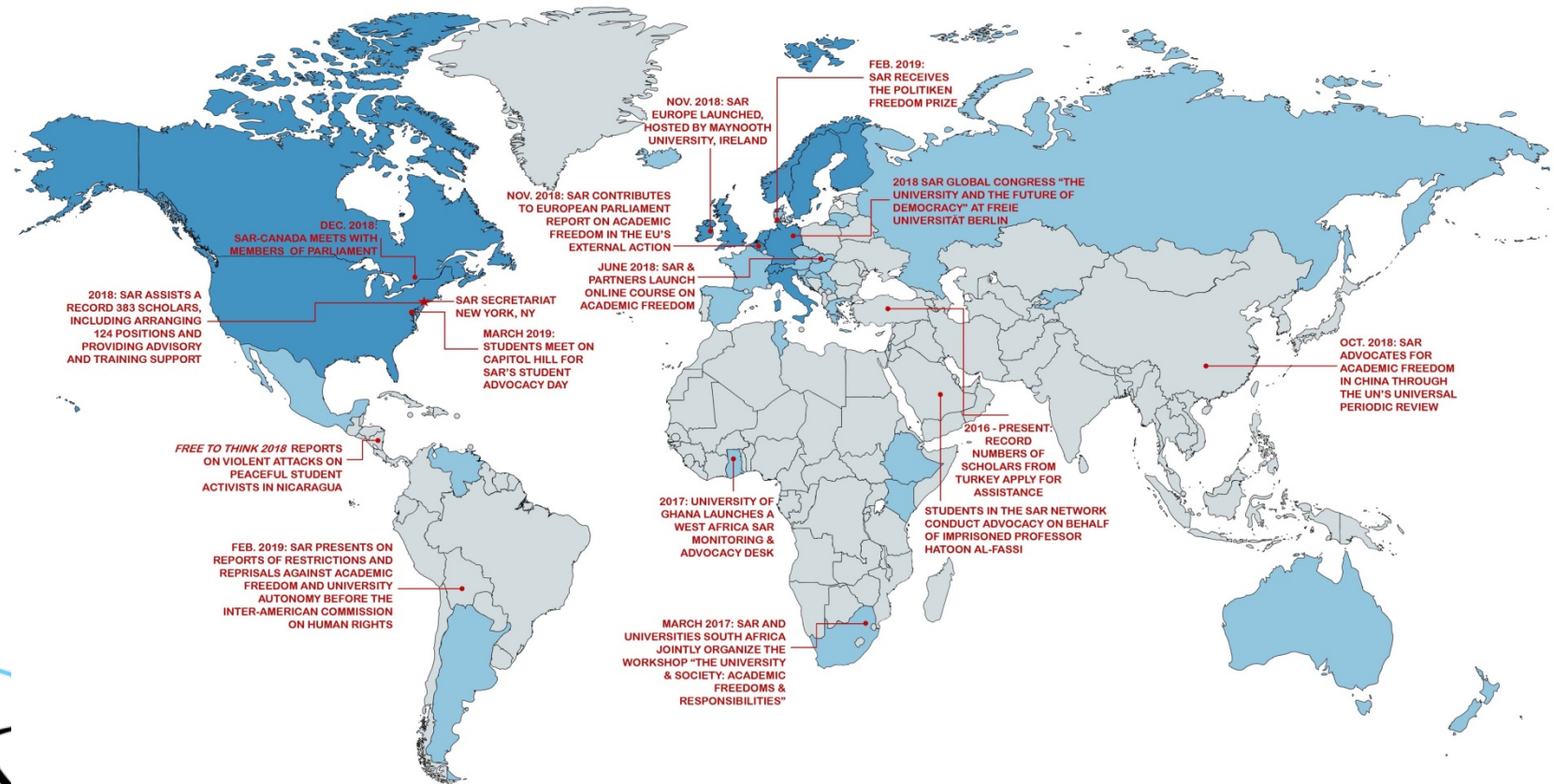
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# THE NETWORK

Over 530 institutions in 42 countries, with national sections in the U.S., Canada, Ireland, Netherlands & Belgium, Norway, Sweden, Switzerland, the UK, Italy, Denmark, Germany, Finland, and Slovakia.



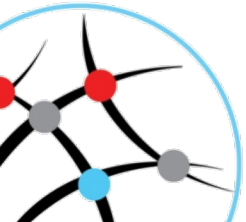
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# SAR EUROPE

**Launch of SAR Europe, European Parliament,  
Brussels, November 2018**



- Scholars at Risk (SAR) Europe is hosted at Maynooth University, reflecting the shared commitment to the principle of Academic Freedom
- SAR Europe supports national SAR sections in 11 European countries & coordinates the 10-partner H2020 project; [Inspireurope](https://inspireurope.eu)
- Aim to strengthen collective voice & contribute to informed policymaking at European Level.



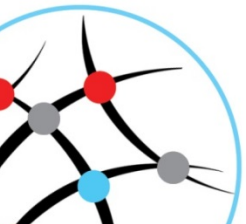
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# SAR National Sections in Europe



National networks of higher education institutions dedicated to supporting threatened scholars and promoting academic freedom.

- CARA-SAR UK Universities Network with CARA (2006)
- SAR-UAF Netherlands & Belgium Network (2009)
- SAR-Ireland section with Universities Ireland (2009)
- SAR- Norway section (2011)
- SAR-Switzerland section (2014)
- SAR-Sweden section (2016)
- SAR-Germany section with Alexander von Humboldt Foundation (2016)
- SAR-Finland section with UNIFI Universities Finland (2017)
- SAR Italy section (2019)
- SAR Denmark section (2019)
- SAR Slovakia section with Bratislava Policy Institute (2019)

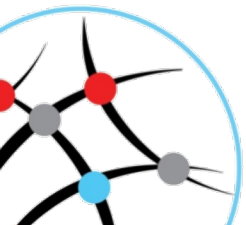


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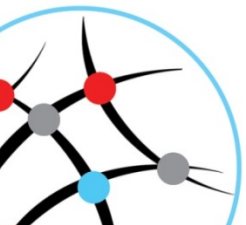
- ✓ Pooling resources (financial and human) to protect scholars
- ✓ Sharing and deepening of expertise on hosting, advocacy and values-promotion
- ✓ Access to support networks: within national sections, between sections, across global network
- ✓ Stronger voice / representation on the International Advisory Committee
- ✓ Increases likelihood of sustainability.
- ✓ Invited to nominate a representative to SAR's International Advisory Committee



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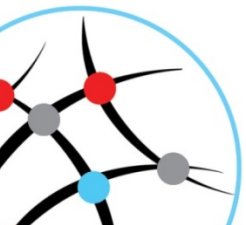
## National Sections: Model structures

1. **National secretariat** e.g. SAR Germany (w/Humboldt Foundation), SAR Finland (w/Universities Finland (UNIFI))
2. **Steering committee & Chair** e.g. SAR Norway., 5 to 7 reps elected to serve on steering committee for 2 years
3. **Partner NGO:** e.g. UK (Cara), Netherlands (UAF) where both organisations have a long history supporting refugee and at-risk populations



# PROPOSED NEXT STEPS IN GREECE

1. Discuss and agree with SAR possibilities for future coordination of SAR section in Greece:
  - Steering committee of member universities, with 1 institution as Chair?
  - National secretariat?
  - Partner NGO?
2. Draft Memorandum of Understanding (2 years) between SAR & new coordinator/Chair to agree on a structure, roles and responsibilities (SAR can share model MOU)
3. Once formed, national sections can nominate rep to SAR's International Advisory Committee (IAC)
4. Ongoing communication & coordination w/SAR's office (Europe & US) & national secretariat/steering committee.







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