

### **FARIBA ADELKHAH BACK IN PRISON: CALL FOR ACTION**

Paris, 13. January 2022 – Sciences Po has learnt with indignation and anger that our colleague Fariba Adelkhah, a researcher at Sciences Po's Centre for International Studies (CERI), who has been detained in Iran for almost a thousand days, has been reincarcerated yesterday morning at the Evin prison after being under house arrest since October 2020. Laurence Bertrand Dorléac, President of the National Foundation of Political Science, Mathias Vicherat, President of Sciences Po, and the whole Sciences Po community strongly condemn this renewed incarceration and call for actions towards her immediate release.

The scholar of the CERI Sciences Po has been detained in Iran since June 2019 and sentenced to five years of imprisonment for "collusion against national security" and one year for "propaganda against the system". This sentence, announced on May 16th, 2020, was transformed on October 3rd, 2020, into house arrest with an electronic bracelet.

A gathering in solidarity with Fariba will take place in front of the Sciences Po entrance, at 27 rue Saint Guillaume, on January 13th at 4pm.

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