

## OCTOBER 14TH AND 15TH: INTERNATIONAL SOLIDARITY IN THE HEART OF PARIS



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As part of the “Initiatives for a Better World”, which took place in Paris on the 14th and 15th of October, the stand of “international solidarity” offered a space to look learn more about ATD Fourth World’s international work.

The stand was flanked by two huge mannequins from Haiti and Belgium, created by members of ATD Fourth World. They form part of a traveling exhibit and they are inspired by people who fight every day to overcome poverty.



A team of ATD Fourth World members with international experience were waiting inside ready to welcome, listen, and speak to all comers. Their goal was to suggest different ways of discovering the international dimension of ATD Fourth World: reading Stories of Change, enjoying the "Colors of the Letter" exhibit by International Forum for Overcoming Extreme Poverty, or watching different videos from around the world.

As one participant told us:

Another proposal that had a lot of success was to sign the call to action that thousands of people have already signed this year, taking a photo and writing a message sharing their conviction that a different world was possible.

There was a photography studio with professional photos; one by one the photos were put up on the wall. More than 300 people participated and "put themselves up" next to others who believe that a different world is possible. A combination of image and expression that gives hope.

