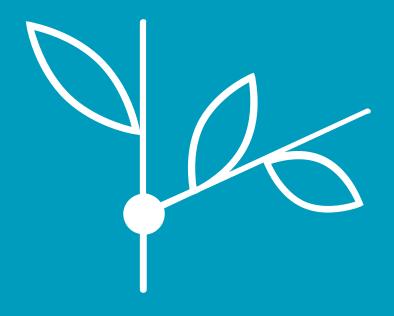


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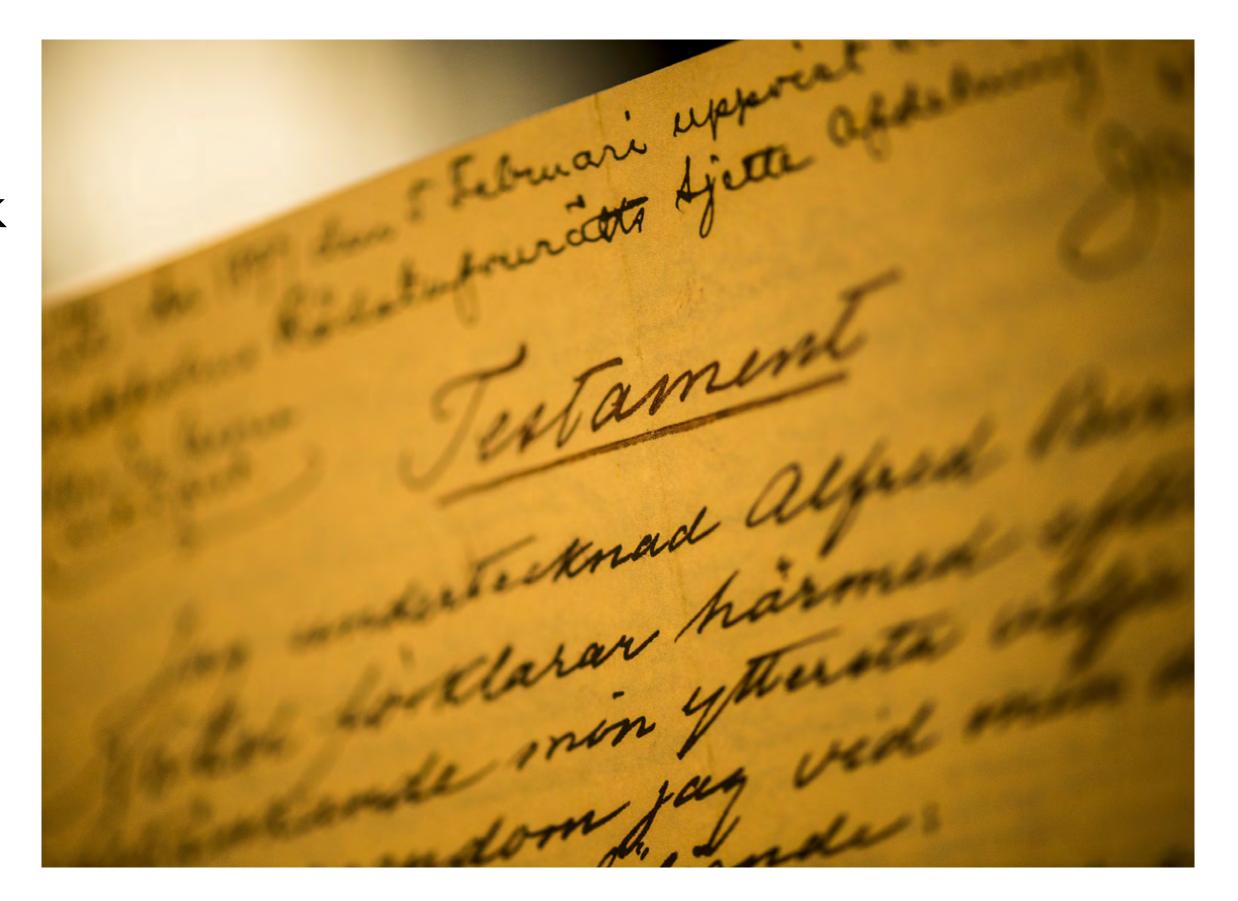


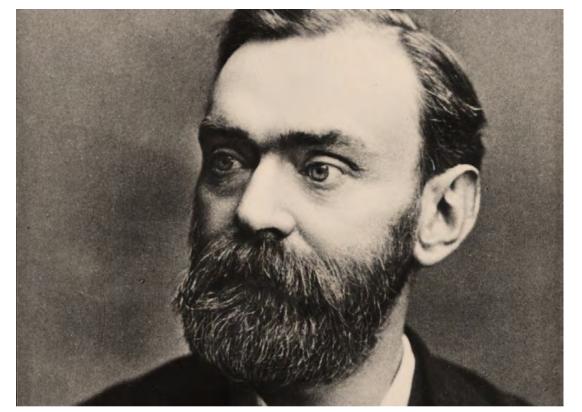


The Nobel Peace Prize

"to the person who shall have done the most or the best work for fraternity between nations, for the abolition or reduction of standing armies and for the holding and promotion of peace congresses"

Alfred Nobel (1833 – 1896)









The 2025 Nobel Peace Prize laureate – Maria Corina Machado



Name: Maria Corina Machado

Born: 1967, Venezuela

"for her tireless work promoting democratic rights for the people of Venezuela and for her struggle to achieve a just and peaceful transition from dictatorship to democracy"

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How is democracy a precondition for peace?



Democracy is retreating across the world



Democracy is retreating across the world. At the same time, the number of authoritarian regimes that silence free media and imprison critics is increasing.



Venezuela and the 2024 presidential election

Nicolás Maduro has been the president of Venezuela since 2013. In the 2024 election, he declared himself the winner, despite the opposition presenting evidence that they clearly won.







A strong voice for democracy in Venezuela

Maria Corina
Machado has been
involved in the
struggle for
democratic rights in
Venezuela for many
years.







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"Choose ballots, not bullets"



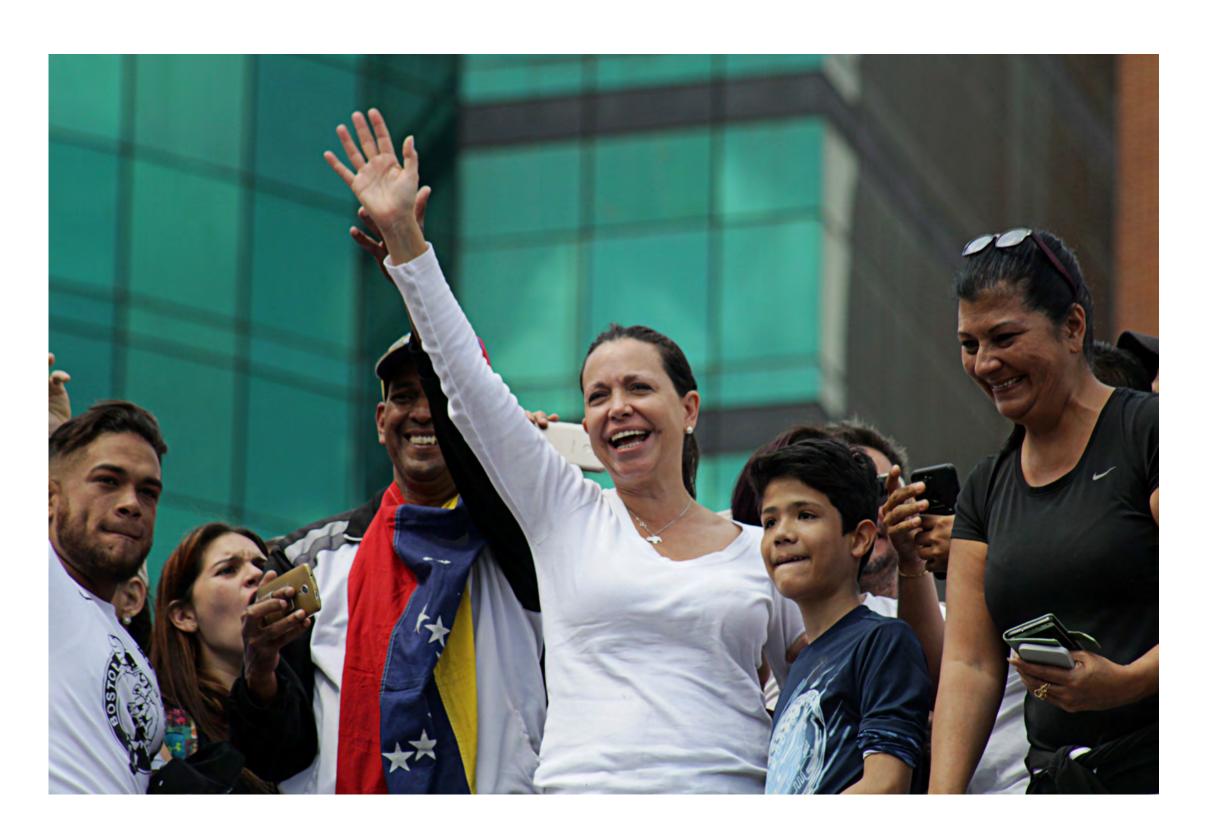
In connection with announcing the 2025 peace prize, the Norwegian Nobel Committee chair, Jørgen Watne Frydnes, delivered a message to the authoritarian leaders in the world – "choose ballots, not bullets".

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"I am very grateful on behalf of the Venezuelan people. We are not there yet. We're working very hard to achieve it, but I'm sure that we will prevail. And this is certainly the biggest recognition to our people that certainly deserve it."

Maria Corina Machado, the 2025 Nobel Peace Prize laureate

Recognising the struggle of the Venezuelan people





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