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**Ignacio Ramonet, Director of Le Monde Diplomatique for 18 eighteen years, visited the Information and Documentation Centre at UdL**

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Ignacio Ramonet is currently lecturing in Communication Theory at [Denis Diderot University](http://www.univ-paris-diderot.fr/) [ <http://www.univ-paris-diderot.fr/> ] in Paris. A specialist in geopolitics and international strategy, he has authored books such as *The Visual Sweet*, *The Tyranny of Communication*, *A World without Direction* or *Wars of the 21st century*. Ramonet had already visited the University of Lleida in 2005 when he acted as patron at the Faculty of Arts graduation ceremony.

In his speech, the former Director of *Le Monde Diplomatique* asserted that a different world is not only possible but absolutely necessary. Admired by some and criticised by others for his commitment, this journalist is cofounder of [ATTAC](http://www.attac.es/portallattac/) [ <http://www.attac.es/portallattac/> ] and [Media Watch Global](http://www.mwglobal.org/) [ <http://www.mwglobal.org/> ]. Moreover, he was one of the promoters of the [Porto Alegre World Social Forum](http://ca.wikipedia.org/wiki/F%C3%B2rum_Social_Mundial) [ [http://ca.wikipedia.org/wiki/F%C3%B2rum\\_Social\\_Mundial](http://ca.wikipedia.org/wiki/F%C3%B2rum_Social_Mundial) ].



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Ignacio Ramonet with Núria Camps, Director of the  
UdL Centre for International Cooperation

During his visit to the [UdL Information and Documentation Centre \(CIDD\)](#) [ </sites/universitat-lleida/ca/serveis/ci/cidd/CCID/> ], Ramonet showed a great interest for the Sud&Nord collections edited by the International Cooperation Centre, as well as for the "Al voltant de..." notebooks.

CIDD was created in 1999 as a resource centre that specialises in issues related to cooperation for development and solidarity, such as human development, human rights, immigration, environment and sustainability, fair trade, etc.

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