



DURBAN REVIEW CONFERENCE - GENEVA 2009

OHCHR **TUESDAY**
SIDE EVENT **21 APRIL**

“Double odds: Women overcoming multiple discrimination”

Room XXI, 1 P.M. to 3 P.M.

The Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights will hold a side event to explore how women have experienced discrimination on the basis of their gender in addition to, discrimination on grounds of race, ethnicity, religion, status, or other ground as provided for in the Durban Declaration and Programme of Action. The panel will provide both a unique and rare opportunity to hear warm and personal testimonies from some of the world's most successful female human rights experts, and will also utilize their combined experience to practically assess whether the outcome of the Durban Review Conference has taken into account the intersection of discrimination on grounds of race and gender.

Moderator: Fareda Banda (School of Oriental and African Studies at the University of London)

Rama Yade (Secretary of State for Human Rights of France) (TBC);

Hina Jilani (Co-founder of the Human Rights Commission, former Special Representative of the Secretary-General on human rights defenders);

Yakin Ertürk (Special Rapporteur on violence against women, its causes and consequences);

Patricia Sellers (former Legal Officer, Legal Advisor for Gender and Acting Senior Trial Attorney at the International Criminal Tribunal for the former Yugoslavia).

Sandwiches and refreshments are courtesy of the Swiss Confederation, the Canton of Geneva and the City of Geneva



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