



## DURBAN REVIEW CONFERENCE - GENEVA 2009

**OHCHR  
SIDE EVENT**

**WEDNESDAY  
22 APRIL**

### **“Freedom of expression and incitement to racial or religious hatred”**

**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 provide the views of several United Nations human rights mechanisms on the issue of freedom of expression and incitement to racial or religious hatred and to provide space for civil society's contribution on this topic. The panel discussion may also explore ways to enhance the implementation of articles 18, 19 and 20 of the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights and article 4 of the International Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Racial Discrimination.

**Moderators:** **Bacre Ndiaye**, Director, Human Rights Council and Treaties Division and **Soussan Raadi-Azarakhchi**, Director, Special Procedures Division, OHCHR

**Githu Muigai** (Special Rapporteur on contemporary forms of racism, racial discrimination, xenophobia and related intolerance);

**Asma Jahangir** (Special Rapporteur on freedom of religion or belief);

**Frank La Rue** (Special Rapporteur on the promotion and protection of the right to freedom of opinion and expression);

**Patrick Thornberry** (Member of the Committee on the Elimination of Racial Discrimination);

**Abdefattah Amor** (Member of the Human Rights Committee);

**Hossam Bahgat** (Director, Egyptian Initiative for Personal Rights, Egypt).

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



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