



DURBAN REVIEW CONFERENCE

Geneva, 20-24 April 2009

Journal

Friday, 24 April 2009

PLENARY

Tenth meeting: Assembly Hall – 10:00 to 13:00

Eleventh meeting: Assembly Hall - 13:00 to 15:00

Twelfth meeting: Assembly Hall - 15:00 to 18:00

Item 9: Issues arising from the objectives of the Conference (*continued*)

Non-governmental organizations (3 minutes)

Item 6: Credentials of representatives to the Conference
(A/CONF.211/7)

Item 10: Adoption of the final document and the report of the Durban Review Conference
(A/CONF.211/L.1)

Closing ceremony

Side events and cultural activities

Wednesday, 15 April 2009 to Friday, 24 April 2009

“Lest we forget: Triumph over slavery” photo exhibition
Organized by the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization
Passarelle

Welcome desk for non-governmental organizations sponsored by Mandat International
Serpentine Bar

Monday, 20 April 2009 to Friday, 24 April 2009

“Feel the world” photo exhibition
Organized by the Permanent Mission of Switzerland and the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights under the patronage of the Director-General of the United Nations Office at Geneva
Salle des Pas Perdus

“Diversity and non-discrimination” photo exhibition
Organized by the Permanent Mission of Mexico
Mezzanine

Information stand sponsored by the Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights
Serpentine Bar

Information stand sponsored by the United Nations Children’s Fund
Serpentine Bar

Information stand sponsored by the European Commission
Serpentine Bar

Stand sponsored by the Bookshop of the United Nations Office at Geneva
Serpentine Bar

Welcome desk for non-governmental organizations sponsored by Mandat International
Between Rooms XI and XII

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“Combating discrimination of religious minorities: Problems and approaches”
Organized by Cairo Institute for Human Rights Studies
Room XXVII : 10.00 am to 12.00 pm

“Racism, counter-terrorism and discrimination against Muslims: Action beyond Durban”
Organized by Minority Rights Group International
Room XXV: 10.00 am to 1.00 pm

“Reduction in inherited discrimination from slavery in the Southern world”

Organized by Mouvement International pour les Réparations, Espacio AfroAmericano and Mouvement contre le Racisme et pour l’Amitié entre les Peuples

Room XXIV: 10.00 am to 1.00 pm

“Discrimination, migration and economic, social and cultural rights”

Organized by the Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights, the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees, the International Labour Organization and the International Organization for Migration

Room XXIV: 1.00 pm to 3.00 pm

“Migration, refugees and the environment”

Organized by Action Internationale pour la Paix et le Développement dans la région des Grands Lacs, Commission Africaines des Promoteurs de la Santé et des Droits de l’Homme, Coordination des ONG Africaines des Droits de l’Homme and Union Interafricaine des Droits de l’Homme

Room XXVII : 1.00 to 3.00 pm

“Slave route: A global vision” documentary film screening

Organized by the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization

Room XXI: 1.00 to 3.00 pm

“Voices: Everyone affected by racism has a story that should be heard”

Organized by the Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights
Permanent Gallery Space, Third Floor, E-building: 1.15 to 2.45 pm

Announcements

Credentials

Delegations are reminded that in accordance with Rule 3 of the Provisional Rules of Procedure for the Durban Conference the credentials of representatives and advisers shall be submitted to the Secretary-General of the Review Conference, if possible not less than one week before the opening of the Review Conference. The credentials shall be issued either by the Head of State or Government or by the Minister of Foreign Affairs. Delegations are requested to deposit their credentials in room A-669. Alternatively, copies can be sent by fax to the following number: + 41 (0)22 917 03 59.

NGO Liaison Office

The NGO liaison office is operational as of 14 April at Palais des Nations E 3062, 3rd Floor, Block E, to assist the NGOs on any matters related to the Durban Review Conference. The NGO liaison team can be contacted at Telephone numbers: +41 (0) 22 917 7383 (Mr. Tsatsu Dawson), +41 (0) 22 917 73 84 (Ms. Constanze Schimmel), +41 (0) 22 917 73 85. Email: NGODurbanRevConf@ohchr.org.

Secondary badges

The Plenary and the main committee meetings will take place in the Salle des Assemblées, Palais des Nations. Representatives of accredited NGOs will require a secondary daily badge to access Salle des Assemblées and Room XX. Secondary badges will provide access to 396 reserved seats, consisting of 60 seats on the ground floor, 144 seats on the 5th floor gallery and 192 seats on the 6th floor gallery for NGOs in Salle des Assemblées. For NGOs, 71 seats will be available in the gallery and 45 more seats will also be available in the public gallery above Room XX. Due to the large number of NGOs expected to participate in the Durban Review Conference and the limited number of seats allocated to NGOs and Observers, only one secondary badge per NGO will be issued. Secondary badges will be distributed daily from 08:00, on a first-come-first-served basis, by the Secretariat at the registration tent situated between the Ariana Museum and the Restaurant de Vieux-Bois near Pregny gate. NGOs on the list of speakers will be issued such secondary badges to the ground floor of the Salle des Assemblées.

Written statements

NGOs accredited to the Durban Review Conference may submit written statements to the Conference in accordance with rule 67 of the provisional rules of procedure which provides that such written statements will be distributed by the Secretariat to all delegations in the quantities and in the language in which the statements are made available by the NGOs concerned to the Secretariat of the Review Conference. A statement submitted on behalf of an NGO needs to be related to the work of the Review Conference and be on a subject in which this NGO has a special competence. All materials must be on the organization's letterhead with logo and bear the stamp of the submitting organization. Materials containing abusive and offensive language will not be accepted for distribution.

NGOs are encouraged to send written statements in advance which may also be delivered in person during the five days of the Conference to: NGO liaison Office at the Palais des Nations Room E-3062 where the Secretariat will receive and record written statements prior to their distribution. NGOs are requested to make copies of their statement only after their statement has been logged. The NGOs may send advance copies of written statements to: NGODurbanRevConf@ohchr.org with WRITTEN STATEMENT as the subject line. The written statements will be made available to the participants and will be placed on the Durban Review Conference Extranet.

Daily briefings with NGOs

The daily briefing with NGOs will be held in **Room XXII from 09:30 to 10:00** with Mr. Ibrahim Salama, Head of the Secretariat of the Durban Review Conference.

Information on the NGO list of speakers

NGOs that were scheduled to speak today, 23 April 2009, and have not had the opportunity to take the floor, should pick up **ground floor speakers badges** from the list of speakers desk outside E3062 on **Friday, 24 April 2009**, from 8:00 a.m. onwards.

Please note that **25 copies of the oral statement are to be made available and handed to conference services staff** (located to left-hand side of the podium when facing it and to the opposite side of the NGO list of speakers) at the beginning of the meeting. Photocopiers are available outside conference room XVII.

To take the floor, NGO speakers should use the 2 conference-table seats reserved for that purpose and speak within the time-limit of 3 minutes allocated to them.

Copies of NGO oral statements may be placed by NGOs on the table reserved for this purpose outside the Salle des Assemblées only (exit to left-hand side of the podium when facing it) after delivery of the relevant statement. NGOs are not permitted to distribute documents, pamphlets or any other material in the conference room. Reserved desks are available for display of NGO documentation outside conference room XVII.

Side events

A number of meeting rooms have been made available for the organization of side events with requests received by the Secretariat by 14 April, for participants accredited to the Conference. Such events will be held daily during the period of the Review Conference at the Palais des Nations.

The OHCHR as part of the program of side events is hosting a number relating to the Durban Declaration and Programme of Action. Information on these side events will also be posted on the Durban Review Conference website at: www.un.org/durbanreview2009/updates. Any additional queries on side events should be sent by email to: reviewconferenceevent@ohchr.org or by fax to: +41 (0) 22 928 90 50.

A daily journal will be issued and distributed at Door 40. A calendar for all side-events will also be available at Door 40 for ease of reference. Both shall also be available at the OHCHR information stand.

Filming during side events: The use of cameras/video recorders during side events is not permitted. Only journalists and camerapersons duly accredited with the United Nations Office at Geneva are allowed to use camera and video equipment during the side events.
