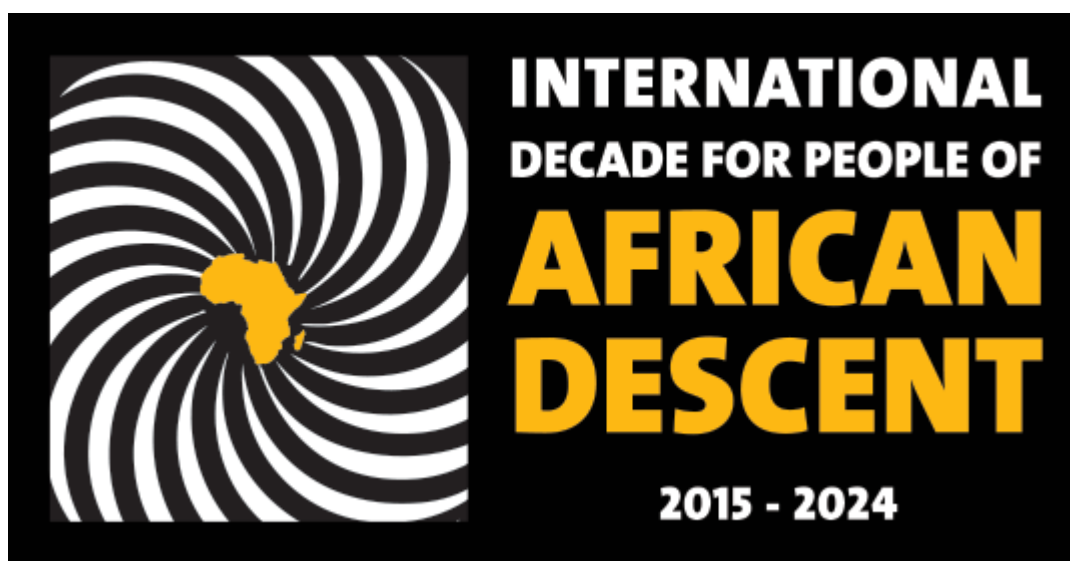


## International Decade for People of African Descent Logo and Waiver of Liability



**These guidelines must be provided to requesters. Whenever the special emblem is uploaded on the internet, the guidelines must be uploaded on the same page.**

### **I. Design**

The modern and simple design of the International Decade for People of African Descent logo anchors Afro-descendants in the now and the future, and connotes advancement now and in the years to come. It implies inclusion of all people of African descent into one group, who share a common history and heritage. The abstract form of a spiral coming off and spreading out from Africa (as the ‘origin’) in its center represents simultaneously the past, present and future of people of African descent. The spiral itself symbolizes the globe, and represents migration and advancement/progress.

### **II. Use of the logo**

#### Use of the logo by United Nations offices, Funds and Programmes and other subsidiary organs and organizations of the United Nations System

United Nations offices, Funds and Programmes and other subsidiary organs and organizations of the United Nations System may use the International Decade for People of African Descent logo without obtaining prior approval from the UN Department of Public Information. However, for reporting purposes, the UN Department of Public Information should be informed of events and information materials and items for which the logo is used including, *inter alia*, publications, posters, brochures, videos, pins, T-shirts, etc.

The International Decade for People of African Descent logo must be used only in its entirety. Moreover, if the UN office, Fund and Programme or other subsidiary organ or organizations of the United Nations system has its own specific logo, the latter should be displayed side by side with the International Decade for People of African Descent logo.

### Use of the logo by non-UN entities

Entities outside the UN system, including Governments, intergovernmental organizations, not-for-profit organizations, and private sector entities, may use the logo after obtaining approval from the UN Department of Public Information in accordance with the requirements outlined below.

The logo of the International Decade for People of African Descent is primarily intended for two kinds of promotional use: a) information, and b) fundraising.

#### a) Information uses of the logo

Information uses of the logo are those which are:

- Primarily illustrative; and
- Not intended to raise funds.

The International Decade for People of African Descent logo must be used only in its entirety. Moreover, it cannot be used alone but must be displayed side by side with the logo of the entity.

The logo of the entity must be given pre-eminence *via-à-vis* the International Decade for People of African Descent logo and the following sentence must be included below or in the proximity of the entity's logo: "[*the name of the entity*] supports the International Decade for People of African Descent." The authorization is limited to the use of the International Decade for People of African Descent logo, and the United Nations emblem cannot be used by the entity.

The authorization to use the International Decade for People of African Descent logo does not permit the user of the logo to sub-license or to further authorize the use of the logo to any other entities.

Therefore, any non-UN entity interested in using the International Decade for People of African Descent logo must apply for approval directly from the UN Department of Public Information.

When requesting approval, the entities must provide:

- A short statement of identity (nature of the entity and its objectives).
- An explanation of how and where the logo will be used, including the names of countries/territories where the logo will be used.
- A waiver of liability (please see the text below) signed by the entity requesting to use the logo.

#### b) Fundraising uses of the logo

Fundraising uses of the logo are those intended to raise resources to cover costs of activities in support of the International Decade for People of African Descent.

The International Decade for People of African Descent logo must be used only in its entirety. Moreover, it cannot be used alone but must be displayed side by side with the logo of the entity. The logo of the entity must be given preeminence *via-à-vis* the International Decade for People of African Descent logo and the following sentence must be included below or in the proximity

of the entity's logo: "[the name of the entity] supports the International Decade for People of African Descent." The authorization is limited to the use of the International Decade for People of African Descent logo, and the United Nations emblem cannot be used by the entity.

The authorization to use the International Decade for People of African Descent does not permit the user of the logo to sub-license or to further authorize the use of the logo to any other entities.

Therefore, any non-UN entity interested in using the International Decade for People of African Descent logo must apply for approval directly from the UN Department of Public Information.

When requesting permission to use the International Decade for People of African Descent logo for fundraising purposes, the entities must provide:

- A short statement of identity (nature of the entity and its objectives).
- An explanation of how and where the logo will be used.
- An explanation of how, when and where the fundraising will take place.
- A summary budget.
- An explanation of how the proceeds would be allocated to cover costs of activities in support of the International Decade for People of African Descent, including any proposed contributions that the entity would make to the United Nations and/or to local, national or international organizations in support of the International Decade for People of African Descent.
- A waiver of liability (please see the text below) signed by the entity requesting to use the logo.

### **III. Length of use of logo**

The International Decade for People of African Descent logo may be used from July 2014 to March 2024. The logo may be used beyond March 2024 for reporting and in reference to publications about the International Decade for People of African Descent.

### **IV. Liability**

All entities whose request to use the logo has been approved for the purposes specified herein must agree to the following provisions on waiver of liability.

- The entity is responsible for ensuring that the activities are carried out in accordance with the applicable law and for ensuring that the appropriate insurance is maintained to cover the risks arising out of such activities.
- The United Nations does not assume any responsibility for the activities of the entity.
- The entity shall hold harmless and defend the United Nations and its officials against any action that may be brought against the United Nations or its officials as a result of the use of the logo by the entity.

The waiver of liability form, signed by the entity, must be submitted with the request to use the logo. The entity will not carry out the proposed activities until the request is approved and the duly signed waiver of liability is received by the UN Department of Public Information.

## **V. Disclaimer**

- The International Decade for People of African Descent logo is property of the United Nations and the United Nations owns all rights thereto, including its use.
- The International Decade for People of African Descent logo can only be used to identify events and activities related to the International Decade for People of African Descent.
- The International Decade for People of African Descent Countries logo may only be used after a Waiver of Liability for the use of the logo of the International Decade for People of African Descent has been received by the UN Department of Public Information and the request to use the logo has been approved.
- By using the International Decade for People of African Descent logo the entity agrees to provide information to the UN Department of Public Information on the events or activities for which it is used. This information will be used for reporting purposes on the International Decade for People of African Descent.
- The authorization to use the International Decade for People of African Descent logo or the publication of an event organized by an outside entity does not imply United Nations' endorsement of the planned activities or the outside entity.
- The International Decade for People of African Descent logo may not be reproduced for the purpose of self-promotion, or obtaining any commercial or personal financial gain, nor may it be used in any manner that implies United Nations endorsement of the products or activities of a commercial enterprise.
- The United Nations will not assume any responsibility or liability arising from the translation of the text of the logo into non-UN official languages.
- Please give credit to the United Nations when using the International Decade for People of African Descent logo.

## **VI. Inquiries**

Please send inquiries to: UN Department of Public Information, United Nations Secretariat, Room S-1042, New York, NY 10017, USA. email: [yinuo.chen@un.org](mailto:yinuo.chen@un.org)

(The Waiver of Liability is on page 6).

**Waiver of Liability  
for the Use of the Logo of  
“International Decade for People of African Descent”**

The undersigned acknowledges that, in using the logo for the International Decade for People of African Descent as explained in its submission dated \_\_\_\_\_ to the UN Department of Public Information:

a. The undersigned is responsible for ensuring that the activities of the undersigned are carried out in accordance with the applicable law and for ensuring that the appropriate insurance is maintained to cover the risks arising out of such activities.

b. The United Nations does not assume any responsibility for the activities of the undersigned.

c. The entity named below will hold harmless and defend the United Nations and its officials against any action that may be brought against the United Nations or its officials as a result of the use of the logo.

d. If the entity translates the text of the logo into non-UN official languages, the entity will state clearly that it takes sole responsibility for the accuracy of the translation. The United Nations does not assume any responsibility or liability arising from the translated text.

e. The entity will use the logo only after this Waiver of Liability has been received by the UN Department of Public Information and the request to use the logo has been approved.

Signed \_\_\_\_\_

Full Name (block letters) \_\_\_\_\_

Affiliation (block letters) \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Organization \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

Please send the signed form to:

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