

# OHCHR FELLOWSHIP PROGRAMME FOR PEOPLE OF AFRICAN DESCENT

## OHCHR – FELLOWS PARTNERSHIPS

### CALL FOR APPLICATIONS 2023

*(Open throughout the year)*

OHCHR/ARDS provides support to events and initiatives from **alumni of the Fellowship Programme for People of African Descent** that aim at promoting and protecting human rights of people of African descent and combating racism and racial discrimination through a partnership scheme.

In 2023, former PAD fellows are encouraged to join OHCHR's year-long [Human Rights 75](#) initiative to mark the 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the [Universal Declaration of Human Rights](#) through the partnership scheme.

*How?* By leading events and initiatives that reflect on the significance of the Declaration for meeting the needs of people of African descent in our time and advancing freedom, equality and justice for all.

### **Practical modalities**

OHCHR/ARDS will provide financial and substantive support to the implementation of the event or initiative.

Financial support is directly managed by OHCHR. It ranges from USD 1,000 to USA 3,000 on average, depending on needs and availability of funds, and it may cover the following expenses:

- ✓ room rental
- ✓ interpretation service
- ✓ communication-related costs (such as website development, SM content, leaflets)
- ✓ printing
- ✓ travel of speakers, etc.

The substantive support is tailored to the specific needs of the event/initiative. It may include substantive advice, support for the invitation of speakers, advertising on UN's social media, among others.

The organization represented by the former PAD fellows is fully responsible for the successful implementation of the event/initiative.

### **Eligibility criteria**

The event/initiative should meet the following criteria:

1. Event or initiative is organised by a non-governmental organisation in which a former fellow is involved. The former fellow is the main focal point for the organisation of the event or initiative.
2. The scope and objective of the event or initiative aimed at combating racism, racial discrimination, xenophobia and related intolerance.

3. A concept note is submitted at least 12 weeks prior to the date of the event or initiative.
4. The concept note includes all the required information (see below).

### **Application modalities**

To apply for financial support, please submit your concept note at least **12 weeks prior to the date of the event/initiative** by email to [claudie.fioroni@un.org](mailto:claudie.fioroni@un.org) and [ohchr-africandescentfellowship@un.org](mailto:ohchr-africandescentfellowship@un.org).

The concept note should include the following elements:

- ✓ Title of the event/initiative:
- ✓ Background/rationale for organising the event (relevance, reference to international, regional and/or national ongoing activities, recent developments, etc.),
- ✓ Objective of the event/initiative (what do you aim to achieve):
- ✓ Draft agenda:
- ✓ List of speakers (if relevant):
- ✓ Date:
- ✓ Venue:
- ✓ Target audience and expected attendance:
- ✓ Provisional budget:
- ✓ Planned follow up activities (if any):
- ✓ Alternative arrangement in case of prolonged lockdown and other restrictive measures implemented to curb the COVID-19 pandemic.

### **Selection process**

The financial support is allocated on a “first come, first serve” basis for events or initiatives that meet the eligibility criteria. In addition, due consideration will be given to geographic representation.

### **Modalities of the partnership**

OHCHR/ARDS will notify successful applicants and communicate the modalities and conditions of the support by email.