

**Group of Independent Eminent Experts on the Implementation of the Durban Declaration and Programme of Action  
Draft programme of work of the 9<sup>th</sup> session (14-18 August 2023)**

*\*\* As of 16 August 2023 – Subject to change \*\**

	<b>Monday 14 August</b>	<b>Tuesday 15 August</b>	<b>Wednesday 16 August</b>	<b>Thursday 17 August</b>	<b>Friday 18 August</b>
Morning  10:00am-1:00pm	<b>Private meeting</b>  <b>Item 1:</b> Session opening  <b>Item 2:</b> Election of the Chairperson  <b>Item 6:</b> Consultations with regional groups	<b>Public meeting</b>  <b>Item 7:</b> <i>General discussion</i> “Overview of current challenges to address racism and to ensure the full and effective implementation of the DDPA”  <u>Speakers:</u> - Ashwini K.P. (SR on Racism) - Michal Balcerzark (Vice-Chair of CERD) - Edna Roland (member of Group of Independent Eminent Experts)	<b>Public meeting</b>  <b>Item 10:</b> <i>Thematic discussion</i> “75 <sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Universal Declaration on Human Rights: learning from anti-slavery and anti-apartheid mobilizations”  <u>Speakers:</u> - H.E. Hugh Hilton Todd (MFA of Guyana) - H.E. Mxolisi Nkosi (PR of South Africa) - Jan Lönn (World Against Racism Network)	<b>Public meeting</b>  <b>Item 12:</b> <i>Thematic discussion</i> “Mobilizing political will for the full and effective implementation of the DDPA, including update on UN outreach”  <u>Speakers:</u> - OHCHR Communications Section - Haja Salifu (ENPAD, former Fellow)	<b>Private meeting</b>  <b>Item 14:</b> Discussion on conclusions and recommendations
	<i>Lunch break</i>	<i>Lunch break</i>	<i>Lunch break</i>	<i>Lunch break</i>	<i>Lunch break</i>
Afternoon  3:00pm-6:00pm	<b>Private meeting</b>  <b>Item 3:</b> Adoption of the agenda and PoW  <b>Item 4:</b> Organizational and procedural matters  <b>Item 5:</b> Consultations with other mechanisms  <b>Item 6 (cont’)</b>	<b>Public meeting</b>  <b>Item 8:</b> <i>Thematic discussion</i> “Ensuring the integration of racism, racial discrimination, xenophobia and related intolerance into UN processes and events” <u>Speaker:</u> Jan Lönn (NGO Committee on Development)  <b>Item 9:</b> <i>Thematic discussion</i> “Treaty bodies’ contribution to combating racial discrimination” <u>Speaker:</u> Zdzislaw Kedzia (Professor of law; former member of CESCR)	<b>Public meeting</b>  <b>Item 11:</b> <i>Thematic discussion</i> “Migration and racism, racial discrimination, xenophobia and related intolerance”  <u>Speakers:</u> - Ashwini K.P. (SR on Racism) - Frans Viljoen (member of the Advisory Committee)	<b>Public meeting</b>  <b>Item 13:</b> <i>Thematic discussion</i> “Affirmative action for advancing racial equality: progress and setbacks”  <u>Speakers:</u> - Edna Roland (member of Group of Independent Eminent Experts)	<b>Private meeting</b>  <b>Item 14 (cont’):</b> Discussion on conclusions and recommendations

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