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Call for inputs on topics to be considered for discussion during the third session of the Permanent Forum on People of African Descent.

United Nations General Assembly <u>resolution 75/314</u> of August 2021, which operationalized the Permanent Forum, decided that the purpose of the Permanent Forum is to serve as "a consultative mechanism for people of African descent and other relevant stakeholders as a platform for improving the safety and quality of life and livelihoods of people of African descent, as well as an advisory body to the Human Rights Council."

Resolution 75/314 also decided that the Permanent Forum on People of African Descent "shall be open to the participation of academics and experts on issues related to people of African descent and non-governmental organizations in consultative status with the Economic and Social Council" as well as "other non-governmental organizations, including grass-roots and community-based organizations, whose aims and purposes are in conformity with the spirit, purposes and principles of the Charter of the United Nations."

In this regard, OHCHR invites Member States, United Nations agencies, programmes and funds, National Human Rights Institutions, civil society actors, non-governmental organizations, academics, experts on issues related to people of African descent and all other relevant stakeholders to submit inputs on topics to be considered for discussion during the third session of the Permanent Forum on People of African Descent.

The Permanent Forum welcomes the suggestions of topics aimed at contributing to its <u>mandate</u>. The themes of the 1st and 2nd Sessions of the Permanent Forum are summarized in its <u>report</u> to the Human Rights Council and General Assembly. Respondents are requested to limit their submission to a maximum of 500 words. Submissions can be presented in bullet points and do not require an in-depth analysis of the suggested topics.

The final agenda will be decided by the members of the Permanent Forum based on all the inputs received. Written inputs should be sent in Word format to <u>pfpad@un.org</u> by **12 November 2023, 11:59 pm Geneva time**.

The Permanent Forum looks forward to receiving your contributions. For any additional queries, please contact <u>pfpad@un.org</u>.