



AGENDA

VIRTUAL

LDCs/SIDS TRUST FUND WORKSHOP FOR THE AFRICA REGION

“Engaging with the UN Human Rights Council, during and after COVID 19 through the LDC/SIDS Trust Fund: achievements, challenges and lessons learned”

Ouagadougou - Port Louis

28-29 April 2021 & 6 May 2021

Wednesday 28 April 2021

13:00- 16:30 (Geneva time)



13:00 – 13:30

OPENING CEREMONY

Master of Ceremony: Ms. Tejaswinee Burumdoyal, Second Secretary, Permanent Mission of the Republic of Mauritius in Geneva, **Live from Geneva** (2 min)

Mr. Mahamane Cissé-Gouro, Director, Human Rights Council and Treaty Mechanisms Division, Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights OHCHR, **Live from Geneva** (5 min)

The Honorable Alan Ganoo, Minister of Foreign Affairs, Regional Integration and International Trade of the Republic of Mauritius, **by video** (7 min)

H.E Ms. Victoria Ouédraogo Kibora, Minister of Justice, Human Rights and Civic Promotion, Keeper of the Seals of Burkina Faso, **by video** (7 min)

H. E. Ms. Nazhat Shameem Khan, President of the Human Rights Council, 15th cycle, **by Live from Geneva** (7 min)

Master of Ceremony: Ms. Tejaswinee Burumdoyal, Second Secretary, Permanent Mission of the Republic of Mauritius in Geneva, **Live from Geneva** (2 min)

13:30 – 15:00

PLENARY SESSION I

LDCs/SIDS TRUST FUND IN AFRICA: FIGURE AND VOICES

Facts and Figures for the Africa region

Speaker: Ms. Fatou Camara Houel, Coordinator, LDCs/SIDS Trust Fund, OHCHR, **Live from Geneva** (7 min)

Moderator: Ms. Mary Namono, Rapporteur General Workshop Africa, 2019 Fellow, **Live from Kampala** (5 min)

Hearing their voices: Testimonials of beneficiary delegates from the Africa region (5 maximum) (7 min each)

- Lesotho Ms. Nthabiseng Matlhohonolofatso Lelisa, Minister Counsellor, **Live from Geneva**
- DRC Mr. Albert Mpinda, Head of Division, **Live from Montreal**
- Gambia Ms. Mam Ndeban Jobe, National Human Rights Officer **Live from Banjul**
- Niger Mr. Saidou Dogon Guida, Deputy Public Prosecutor, **by video**
- Malawi Ms. Lumbani Mwafulirwa, Senior State Advocate **Live from Lilongwe**
- Rwanda Mr. Frank Mutagoma, Adviser to the Minister of State in charge of Constitutional and Legal Affairs, **Live from Kigali**
- Djibouti Ms. Ayane Said Yassin, Deputy Director of Legal Affairs **Live from Djibouti**
- Angola Mr. Cabral Laureano Neto, Head of Department, Ministry of External Relations of Angola **Live from Luanda**
- Seychelles: Ms. Gayetri Pillay, **Live from Geneva**

Voices from the Pacific and the Caribbean regions (4 min each)

- H.E. Ms. Missouri Sherman Peter, Permanent Observer, CARICOM, Rapporteur General of the LDCs/SIDS Workshop for the Caribbean region, **by video**

- Mr. Ricardo Kellman, Counsellor, Permanent Mission of Barbados in Geneva, **by video**
- Ms. Florieann Wilson, Second Secretary, Fiji High Commission in London, **by video**
- Ms. Charice A Rolle, First Assistant Secretary Commonwealth of the Bahamas, **by video**
- H.E. Mr. Fred Sarufa, Deputy Permanent Representative of Papua New Guinea, Rapporteur General of the LDCs/SIDS Workshop for the Pacific region, **Live from New York**

Interactive Dialogue / Questions (15 min)

15:00 – 15:30

PLENARY SESSION II

Methodology of the Workshop and Ground Rules

Ms. Fatou Camara Houel, Coordinator LDCs/SIDS Trust Fund, OHCHR, **Live from Geneva** (5 min)

THE HRC: FROM ONSITE TO ONLINE 2020/2021

Moderator: Ms. Fatou Camara Houel, Coordinator LDCs/SIDS Trust Fund, OHCHR, **Live from Geneva**

Trends, Opportunities and Challenges

Speaker: Mr. Eric Tistounet, Chief, Human Rights Council Branch, OHCHR, **Live from Geneva** (10 min)

Engaging with the HRC: Role of Coordination of the African group of Human Rights experts: Before and During Covid (10 min)

Speakers: **Live from Geneva**

Ms. Marilia Manuel, Counsellor, Permanent Mission of Angola, Coordinator African Group of Human Rights Experts in 2019

Mr. Germain Zong-Naba Pimé, Counsellor, Permanent Mission of Burkina Faso, Coordinator, African Group of Human Rights Experts in 2020, **Live from Geneva**

15:30 – 16:30

PLENARY SESSION III

SUPPORTING LDCS/SIDS ENGAGEMENT WITH THE HRC: OVERVIEW OF THE SUPPORT AVAILABLE

Moderators: Ms. Gayetri Pillay, Senior Advisor, CTI (Convention against Torture Initiative) and Mr. Daniel Ng, First Secretary, (representing Ambassador Umej Bhatia, Permanent Representative of Singapore, co-focal point in charge of addressing challenges faced by delegations from small and developing countries, in particular the SIDS and LDCs, and the follow up on the implementation of the measures on the use of modern technology”) **Live from Geneva**

Organisation internationale de la Francophonie

Speaker: Mr. Bakary Bamba Jr, Counsellor, Peace, Security and Human Rights, **Live from Geneva** (8 min)

The Commonwealth/Commonwealth Small States Office (CSSO)

Speaker: Mr. Justin Petit, Human Rights Advisor, **Live from London** (8 min)

UPR Info

Speaker: Ms. Mona M'beki, Executive Director, **Live from Geneva** (8 min)

Interactive dialogue (20 min)

End of meeting: 16:30

Thursday 29 April 2021

13:00- 16:15 (Geneva time)



13:00 – 13:20

PLENARY SESSION IV

Display Videos on Burkina Faso and on Republic of Mauritius (3 min each)

Methodology and presentation of the draft Ouagadougou-Port Louis Declaration Towards 2022 (10 min)

Participants will be in 2 groups working in parallel (Secretariat will identify the participants in each of the 2 groups), (15 min)

13:20 – 14:45

GROUP DISCUSSIONS IN PARALLEL

GROUP 1

Moderators:

Ms. Mary Namono, Rapporteur General Workshop Africa, 2019 Fellow, **Live from Kampala**

and

Mr. Marc Limon, Executive Director, Universal Rights Group, **Live from Geneva**

Theme: *In-person support and participation* Assessing and Strengthening the training and capacity building mandate of the Trust Fund: (induction/training prior, during and after HRC Regular Session; intersessional activities; Special Sessions; how to bridge the gap between Geneva/New York (third Committee...etc.)

GROUP 2

Moderators:

Mr. Passida Pascal Gouba, Ambassador of Burkina Faso in Abuja, Delegate 29th Session 2015

and

Mr. Subhas Gujadhur, First Secretary, Embassy of the Republic of Mauritius in China

Theme: *Virtual support and participation* Assessing and Strengthening the training and capacity building mandate of the Trust Fund: (induction/training prior, during and after HRC Regular Session; intersessional activities; Special Sessions; how to bridge the gap between Geneva/New York (third Committee...etc.)

(80 min)

Break 5 min

14:45 – 16:15

PLENARY SESSION V

Moderator: Ms. Fatou Camara Houel, Coordinator LDCs/SIDS Trust Fund, OHCHR, **Live from Geneva** (min)

Reporting by the Moderators of the Group 1 and the Group 2 (30 min)

Discussion on the main recommendations to be included in the Declaration (30 min)

Concluding Remarks/ Second part of the Workshop: (6 min)

16:15 End of the 1st part of the Workshop

**See you on 6 May 2021
at 2p.m. (14:00) Geneva time**

Thursday 6 May 2021

14:00- 15:15 (Geneva time)



14:00 – 14:30

PLENARY SESSION VI

PRESENTATION AND REVIEW OF THE OUAGADOUGOU-PORT LOUIS DECLARATION TOWARDS 2022

Moderators: Ms. Mary Namono, Rapporteur General Workshop Africa, 2019 Fellow, Ms. Fatou Camara Houel, Coordinator LDCs/SIDS Trust Fund, OHCHR

- Final reading of the “Ouagadougou- Port Louis Declaration Towards 2022” (10 min)
- Interactive Dialogue (10 min)
- Adoption of the **“Ouagadougou-Port Louis Declaration Towards 2022”**

14:30 – 15:15

CLOSING CEREMONY

Master of ceremony: Mr. Germain Zong-Naba Pimé, Counsellor, Permanent Mission of Burkina Faso, **Live from Geneva** (2 min)

- Welcome to Burkina Faso and the Republic of Mauritius, videos (3 min each)
- Intervention of H. E. Dr. Asim Ahmed, Permanent Representative of the Republic of Maldives **Live from Geneva** (2 min)

14:45

Closing remarks of the virtual Workshop LDCs SIDS TF for the African region

- Video of the Workshop for Africa (1min30)
- - Ms. Mary Namono, Rapporteur General Workshop Africa, **Live from Kampala** (5 min)
 - Mr. Eric Tistounet, Chief, Human Rights Council Branch, OHCHR, **Live from Geneva** (5 min)
 - H. E. Mr. Dieudonné W. Désiré Sougouri, Permanent Representative of Burkina Faso, **Live from Geneva** (7 min)
 - H. E. Ms. Usha Dwarka-Canabady, Permanent Representative of the Republic of Mauritius, **Live from Geneva** (7 min)

Master of ceremony: Mr. Germain Zong-Naba Pimé, Counsellor, Permanent Mission of Burkina Faso, Coordinator, **Live from Geneva** (2 min)

End of the Workshop 15:15