

## **Modalities of participation to the Second Session of the Permanent Forum on People of African Descent**

The session will take place from Tuesday 30 May to Friday 2 June 2023 at the United Nations Headquarters in New York. **The first day of the plenary meetings will be hosted in the General Assembly Hall. From Wednesday 31 May 2023, the plenary meetings will be hosted in Conference Room CR-4.**

In order to access to the premises participants who do not own a ground pass must register **before Friday 19 May** here: <https://indico.un.org/event/1004397>.

Participants unable to attend in person will be able to engage remotely through Zoom, however, please note that **priority will be given to speakers participating in person**. The Zoom link will be shared with all registered participants ahead of the session.

**All participants wishing to take the floor during thematic discussions must register on the list of speakers. The list of speakers will open one hour before the beginning of each meeting.** In person participants are invited to register at the list of speakers' desk situated in the room, remote participants are invited to register in the chat box.

Joint statements are encouraged to facilitate the participation of a greater number of participants. If you are delivering such statement, kindly inform the Secretariat at the list of speakers' desk or on Zoom if you participate remotely of the list of organizations on behalf of which you will take the floor.

**The speaking time will be limited to 2 minutes for all participants.**

To facilitate the work of the interpreters and the accurate capture of recommendations made by the speaker to be included in the report of the session, **all speakers are encouraged to send transcripts of their statements to [pfpad@un.org](mailto:pfpad@un.org)**. Statements must be in a **Word document**, and clearly indicate which organization is making the submission, and the name of the panel discussion. All contributions will be posted on the Permanent Forum webpage, unless indicated otherwise.

**Interpretation** will be available for all the plenary meetings of the session in all six official languages of the United Nations (Arabic, Chinese, English, French, Russian and Spanish). Interventions may be delivered in any of these languages.

All participants are encouraged to contribute to the Permanent Forum in a spirit of constructive, multi-stakeholder dialogue, keeping a focus on the theme of the discussion; and are strongly encouraged to include concrete recommendations in their statements.

Session moderators will use their discretion in managing interventions from the floor in order to enable different stakeholders to participate in the dialogue and to ensure a balanced debate. In line with the established practice, Member States of the United Nations will be given the floor first.

**All plenary meetings will be broadcasted and archived on the [United Nations Web TV](#).**