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Fourth session of the Forum on Human Rights, Democracy and the Rule of Law on "Strengthening democracies to build back better: challenges and opportunities" (24-25 November 2022, Room XX, Palais des Nations, Geneva)

The Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights presents its compliments to all Permanent Missions to the United Nations Office at Geneva, specialized agencies, intergovernmental organizations, national human rights institutions and non-governmental organizations and has the honour to invite them to participate in the fourth session of the Forum on Human Rights, Democracy and the Rule of Law. The Forum will be held on 24-25 November 2022 in Room XX at Palais des Nations in Geneva and online.

Pursuant to Human Rights Council resolution 46/4, the theme of the fourth session of the Forum is "Strengthening democracies to build back better: challenges and opportunities".

Council resolution 28/14 established the Forum on Human Rights, Democracy and the Rule of Law with the purpose "to provide a platform for promoting dialogue and cooperation on issues pertaining to the relationship between these areas" and to "identify and analyze best practices, challenges and opportunities for States in their efforts to secure respect for human rights, democracy and the rule of law".

The Council decided that the Forum shall be open to the participation of States, United Nations mechanisms, bodies and specialized agencies, funds and programmes, intergovernmental organizations, regional organizations and mechanisms in the field of human rights, national human rights institutions and other relevant national bodies, academics and experts and non-governmental organizations in consultative status with the Economic and Social Council; the Forum shall also be open to other non-governmental organizations whose aims and purposes are in conformity with the spirit, purposes and principles of the Charter of the United Nations.

Annotated provisional agenda for the fourth session of the Forum and all other relevant information is available on the Forum's website: <a href="https://www.ohchr.org/en/events/forums/2022/fourth-session-forum-human-rights-democracy-and-rule-law">https://www.ohchr.org/en/events/forums/2022/fourth-session-forum-human-rights-democracy-and-rule-law</a>. Participants are invited to register online through the Indico platform at <a href="https://indico.un.org/event/1001727/">https://indico.un.org/event/1001727/</a>. Registration will be open until 22 November 2022. For any queries, please contact <a href="https://ohchr-democracyforum@un.org">ohchr-democracyforum@un.org</a>.

The Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights avails itself of this opportunity to present to all Permanent Missions to the United Nations Office at Geneva, specialized agencies, other intergovernmental organizations and national human rights institutions and non-governmental organizations the assurances of its highest consideration.

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