

Draft for consultation

**2014 ANNUAL PLAN
FOR ICC STRATEGIC ENGAGEMENT
(as of October 2013)**

The present draft *2014 Annual Plan for ICC Strategic Engagement* identifies key opportunities for ICC/NHRI strategic engagement with UN human rights mechanisms in 2014. The Plan is intended to assist ICC Chair, Regional Chairs and Coordinators, Bureau members and NHRIs in planning for strategic engagement and participation in 2014.

When identifying engagement opportunities, the Plan takes into consideration ICC strategic priorities and objectives as set out in the ICC Strategic Plan and the ICC Operational Plan¹, as well as recent ICC Bureau meeting decisions. Resources available to the ICC, both human and financial, are also taken into consideration. The Plan has been elaborated by the ICC Geneva Representative in consultation with ICC Chair Lawrence Mushwana.

The Plan covers the following New-York and Geneva-based meetings:

1. Commission on the Status of Women, 58th session, 10 to 21 March (tentative dates), New-York;
2. Human Rights Council, 25nd session, 3 to 28 March, Geneva;
3. Permanent Forum on Indigenous Peoples, 13th session, 12 to 23 May, New York;
4. Human Rights Council, 26th session, 10 to 27 June, Geneva;
5. Annual Meeting of Special Procedures, 2 to 6 June, Geneva;
6. Annual Meeting of Treaty bodies, 23 to 27 June, Geneva;
7. Expert Mechanism on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples, 7th session, 7 to 11 July, Geneva;
8. Human Rights Council, 27th session, 8 to 26 September, Geneva;
9. Conference of State Parties to the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities, September (tbc), New York;
10. World Conference on Indigenous Peoples, 22 to 23 September, New York;
11. Intergovernmental Working Group on the effective implementation of the Durban Declaration and Program of Action, 12th session, 7 to 17 October, Geneva;
12. General Assembly, October to November, New York;
13. United Nations Working Group on Ageing, dates & venue to be confirmed;
14. Treaty body strengthening process, New York; and
15. Human Rights Day, 10 December.

¹ Please note that ICC strategic objectives relate to the immediate ICC strategic plan and might need to be adapted as the new ICC strategic plan is being finalised.

The Plan is still in progress, pending unscheduled upcoming meetings, and will be updated on a regular basis.

1. Commission on the Status of Women, 58th session, 10 to 21 March 2014 (tentative date)

ICC Strategic Objective	Event	Details	Activity and Lead	Timelines	Expected outcomes
<p>This section will be complete once the new strategic plan is adopted</p>	<p><u>Commission on the Status of Women plenary and side events</u></p> <p><u>2014 Focus:</u></p> <p>Priority theme: Challenges and achievements in the implementation of the Millennium Development Goals for women and girls</p> <p>Review theme: Access and participation of women and girls to education, training, science and technology, including for the promotion of women's equal access to full</p>	<p>ICC/APF-led strategy until 2013</p> <p>Final report with recommendations presented to ICC 26</p>	<p>1. ICC statement where possible, ICC advocacy for participation rights with their Governments and in UN, based on GA and HRC resolutions on NHRIs</p> <p>2. ICC representation in panel event and side-events, possible ICC owned side event to present Amman Conference outcomes (possibly in partnership with OHCHR and UNDP)</p> <p>Lead: ICC Chair; ICC Chair or delegated representation</p>	<p>Confirm ICC representation and NHRI participation by end January 2014</p>	<p>ICC advocacy and Members states' support</p> <p>Implementation of 2012 and 2013 GA and HRC resolution achievements</p> <p>Implementation of Amman Declaration and Program of Action</p> <p>Progress on ICC/NHRI work on MDG</p>

	<p>employment and decent work (agreed conclusions from the fifty-fifth session)</p> <p>Emerging issue: To be determined</p>				
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2. Human Rights Council, 25th session, 3 to 28 March, Geneva

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	<p><u>HRC High Level and General Segment</u></p> <p>Date of event: 1 week of session (tbc)</p>	<p>ICC with 4 NGOs are given space to contribute w a general statement</p>	<p>1. ICC statement with ICC high level representation (ICC Chair or delegate)</p> <p>2. ICC Chair or delegate high level meetings with high level dignitaries during the Council High Level Segment, possibly in coordination with OHCHR</p> <p>3. ICC Chair or delegate meeting with Council</p>	<p>ICC statement and participation 1st week of session (tbc)</p> <p>Final ICC statement with members' input by mid-February</p> <p>Preparation of statement, translation and circulation to members by early February</p> <p>Identification of ICC high level ICC representation and arrange for meetings</p>	<p>ICC contribution and leverage of 2012 and 2013 HRC resolution</p> <p>ICC cooperation with member states, including in cooperation with OHCHR</p> <p>Support from Member States and NGOs</p>

			President Lead: ICC Geneva Representative	in December/January	
	<u>High Commissioner's annual report followed by interactive dialogue with the High Commissioner</u> Date of event: 1 st week of session	HC presents her annual report and discusses with HRC members and observers	1. ICC statement 2. ICC Chair or delegate meeting with High Commissioner Lead: ICC Geneva Representative	ICC statement and participation 1 st week of session (tbc) Final ICC statement with members' input by mid-February Preparation of statement, translation and circulation to members by early February Identification of ICC high level ICC representation and arrange for meetings in December/January	ICC contribution to HC report Cooperation ICC and HC strengthened
	<u>Annual Discussion on human rights and persons with disabilities</u> Date of event: tbc	Resolution 22/3 Focus the right of persons with disabilities to education	1. ICC oral statement Lead: ICC Chair with support from CHRC, GIHR and EHRC, ICC Geneva Representative	ICC statement Final ICC statement with members' input by end of February Preparation of statement, translation and circulation to members by early	Continued ICC support and involvement in HRC annual discussions on disabilities

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3. Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues, 13th session, 12 to 23 May 2014, New York

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	<p><u>Permanent Forum</u></p> <p>2014 Special Theme: "Principles of good governance consistent with the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples: articles 3 to 6 and 46 (3)"</p>	<p>Information regarding pre-registration and attendance to the 13th session will be available in early 2014.</p>	<p>1. ICC statement where possible, ICC advocacy for participation in 2014 Conference, based on 2012 HRC resolution</p> <p>2. ICC representation in panel event and side-events</p> <p>Lead: ICC Chair with; ICC Chair or delegated representation (Australia HR Commission; New Zealand Human Rights Commission)</p>	<p>Confirm participation of ICC Chair or delegate in March 2014</p>	<p>ICC/NHRI involvement in the lead up to, and participation in, the 2014 World Conference</p> <p>ICC advocacy and Members states' support</p>

4. Human Rights Council, 26th session, 10 to 27 June, Geneva

Event	Details	Activity and Lead	Timelines	Expected outcomes
<p><u>Secretary General reports on NHRIs and the ICC accreditation process</u></p> <p><u>Australia-led resolution on NHRIs</u></p>	<p>Resolution 23/17</p> <p>Under agenda item 8, the HRC will receive and discuss the SG annual reports on NHRIs and the ICC accreditation process.</p> <p>Australia-run resolution on NHRIs, to be biannualized after 2014 resolution</p>	<p>1. ICC statement and written contribution</p> <p>2. ICC Chair or delegate</p> <p>3. Side event, possibly in cooperation with OHCHR, to discuss reports</p> <p>4. ICC advocacy on resolution</p> <p>5. ICC contribution to development of OHCHR/SG reports</p> <p>Lead: ICC Chair, ICC Geneva Representative</p>	<p>Dates yet to be confirmed, expected to be 2nd or 3rd week of session</p>	<p>Increased awareness about and support for NHRI and the accreditation process</p> <p>Member States support to NHRIs and NHRI resolution</p>
<p><u>Annual full-day discussion on women rights</u></p>	<p>Opportunity for ICC statement to report on implementation of Amman Action Plan</p>	<p>1. ICC statement and Amman Declaration submitted as formal document to HRC</p> <p>Lead: ICC Chair, ICC</p>	<p>Tbc</p>	<p>Amman Declaration and Program of Action presented to international community</p>

	<u>Report of the UN Working Group on Human Rights and Business</u>	The UN WG will present its annual report. ICC has an opportunity to contribute to the report's findings and conclusions, with an oral and/or written statement.	Geneva Rep (maternity leave replacement) 1. ICC statement and written contribution 2. Possibly: ICC side event in cooperation with UN Working Group Lead: ICC WG on Human Rights and Business, ICC Chair and ICC Geneva Representative	Dates of report presentation/statement yet to be confirmed but expected to be during the HRC's first week in session	Continued and strengthened cooperation between ICC and UN WG Increased awareness of, and support for, NHRI activities in relation to human rights and business
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5. Annual Meeting of Special Procedures, 2 to 6 June, Geneva

Event	Details	Activity and Lead	Timelines	Expected outcomes
<u>Annual Meeting of Special Procedures</u>	In 2012, a special session was dedicated to cooperation between NHRIs and Special Procedures	1. ICC statement 2. ICC representation Lead: ICC Geneva Rep (maternity leave replacement); ICC Chair; ICC Chair delegate	Dates of meeting with ICC/NHRIs to be confirmed	Cooperation strengthened and action plan adopted

6. Annual Meeting treaty bodies, 23 to 27 June, Geneva

ICC Strategic Objective	Event	Details	Activity and Lead	Timelines	Expected outcomes
	<u>Annual Meeting of treaty bodies</u>	In previous years, a special session was dedicated to cooperation between NHRIs and TB	1. ICC statement 2. ICC representation Lead: ICC Working Group/ICC focal points; Geneva Rep (maternity leave replacement); ICC Chair; ICC Chair delegate	Dates of meeting with ICC/NHRIs to be confirmed	Cooperation strengthened and action plan adopted

7. Expert Mechanism on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples, 7th session, 7 to 11 July, Geneva

	Event	Details	Activity and Lead	Timelines	Expected outcomes
	<u>General Discussions</u>		1. ICC statement and/or representation on a panel Lead: ICC Geneva Rep; ICC Chair; ICC	Dates to be confirmed	ICC/NHRI involvement in the lead up to, and participation in, the 2014 World Conference

			Chair delegate/expert NHRI on indigenous peoples	
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8. Human Rights Council, 27th session, 8 to 26 September, Geneva

Event	Details	Activity and Lead	Timelines	Expected outcomes
<u>Report of the Expert Mechanism on the rights of indigenous peoples on its 7th session</u>		1. ICC statement and/or representation on the panel Lead: ICC Geneva Rep; ICC Chair; ICC Chair delegate/expert NHRI	Dates to be confirmed	ICC/NHRI continued involvement in the work of EMRIP and on indigenous peoples Implementation of OHCHR handbook on NHRIs and indigenous peoples

9. Conference of State Parties to the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities, September 2014 (tbc), New York

Event	Details	Activity and Lead	Timelines	Expected outcomes
<u>Conference of State Parties to CRPD, 7th</u>	In September 2012, the COSP Bureau	1. ICC statement and advocacy on	Dates to be confirmed	Conference rules of procedures amended

	<u>session</u> <u>Side events</u> <u>High Level meeting for dignitaries</u>	<p>recommended that Member States amend the Conference rules of procedure, to allow for participation of ICC; A status NHRIs and RCC speaking on behalf of A status NHRIs.</p>	<p>amendment of rules of procedure</p> <p>2. ICC representation on the high level panel; ICC to encourage NHRIs to participate in COSP, ideally being represented by one A status NHRI per region</p> <p>3. ICC side event, possibly in cooperation with IDA</p> <p>Lead: ICC Geneva Rep; ICC Chair; ICC Chair delegate</p>		<p>to formally grant ICC; A status NHRIs and RCC speaking rights</p> <p>Implementation of 2012 and 2013 HRC and GA resolutions on NHRIs</p> <p>Precedent set for other state parties conferences</p>
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10. World Conference on Indigenous Peoples, 22 to 23 September 2014 (tbc), New York

	Event	Details	Activity and Lead	Timelines	Expected outcomes
	<u>World Conference on Indigenous Peoples</u> <u>Preparatory meetings</u>	<p>World Conference to be held in September 2014 in New York</p> <p>NHRI participation rights in Conference</p>	<p>1. ICC statement and/or representation on the panel</p> <p>Lead: ICC Geneva Rep; ICC Chair</p>	<p>Dates to be confirmed</p>	<p>ICC/NHRI involvement in the lead up to, and participation in, the 2014 World Conference</p>

		<p>roundtable as per OP 3 (g) but OP 3 (j) upon drawing up a list by PGA</p> <p>Before June 2014: hearings PGA w NHRIs and other stakeholders (OP 7)</p>	delegate or NHRI		
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11. IGWG on the effective implementation of the Durban Declaration and Program of Action, 12th session, 7 to 17 October, Geneva

	Event	Details	Activity and Lead	Timelines	Expected outcomes
NHRI commitments at Durban Review Conference	<u>Meeting of the UN working group with expert panel discussions</u>	<p>Possible NHRI participation as panelists and from the floor as participants</p> <p>Possibility of hosting a side event</p>	<p>1. ICC statement and participation in the meeting and/or representation on the panel</p> <p>Lead: ICC Geneva Rep; ICC Chair delegate or NHRI</p>		<p>ICC/NHRI involvement in the Working Group</p> <p>Follow up to Durban and Durban Review Conference</p> <p>NHRI commitments at Durban Review Conference implemented</p>

12. UN General Assembly session, September through November, 2014, New York

	Event	Details	Activity and Lead	Timelines	Expected outcome
To continue strategic engagement and intensified presence of NHRIs in New York (ICC Bureau meeting Amman)	<u>UN General Assembly</u> <u>Third Committee Meetings</u>	The GA/Third Committee will discuss human rights	1. ICC advocacy Lead: ICC Geneva Rep; ICC Chair; ICC Regional Chairs	Dates to be confirmed	ICC visibility

13. UN Working Group on Ageing, 2014, date and venue to be confirmed

	Event	Details	Activity and Lead	Timelines	Expected outcomes
To continue strategic engagement and intensified presence of	<u>UN Working Group on Ageing</u> <u>Side events</u>	In 2011 2012, several NHRIs have been invited as panelists however NHRI participation rights have not formally been confirmed	1. ICC statement and advocacy for formal participation rights 2. ICC/NHRI representation on the panels	Dates to be confirmed	Working Group to formally grant ICC; A status NHRIs and RCC speaking rights Implementation of 2012 and 2013 HRC

<p>NHRIs in New York as follows: UN Working Group on Ageing, including through the ICC Working Group</p>		<p>In 2013, the ICC and ENNHRI presented statements to the UN Working Group</p> <p>In September 2013, the Human Rights Council established the mandate of Independent Expert on the rights of older persons, to present a first report in September 2015</p>	<p>3. ICC side event, possibly in cooperation with UN and OHCHR</p> <p>Lead: ICC Working Group on Ageing, ICC Geneva Rep; ICC Chair</p>		<p>resolution on NHRIs</p> <p>Precedent set for other NY-based Working Groups and meetings</p>
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14. Treaty body strengthening process, tbc

	Event	Details	Activity and Lead	Timelines	Expected outcome
<p>ICC Belfast Statement on strengthening the treaty bodies</p>	<p><u>Treaty body strengthening process and related meetings</u></p>	<p>ICC focal points with 4 NHRIs established</p> <p>ICC participated in the process so far</p>	<p>1. ICC statement and advocacy</p> <p>2. ICC/NHRI representation on the panels</p> <p>3. ICC side event, possibly in cooperation with UN and OHCHR</p>	<p>Dates to be confirmed</p>	<p>Precent set for ICC/NHRI participation in GA process</p> <p>Belfast Statement integrated in outcome of treaty body strengthening process</p> <p>Strengthenend</p>

			Lead: ICC Working Group/focal points, ICC Geneva Rep; ICC Chair		cooperation between treaty bodies and NHRIs, through facilitated access of NHRIs to the system
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15. Human Rights Day, 10 December, across all regions

	Event	Details	Activity and Lead	Timelines	Expected outcomes
	<u>International Human Rights Day</u>	<p>ICC to mark International Human Rights Day with public statement and/or activity</p> <p>ICC focus to be confirmed, possibly in cooperation/coordination with OHCHR</p>	<p>1. ICC statement</p> <p>Lead: ICC Geneva Rep; ICC Chair</p>		<p>ICC speaks with one voice on Human Rights Day</p> <p>High visibility of ICC and NHRIs</p>