Seminar of Experts for the African Region

Implementation of the Durban Programme of Action: An exchange of ideas on steps to move forward

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Provisional agenda

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Topic 1: National action plans: the role of different participants in the process such as States, national human rights institutions, NGOs and civil society

Topic 2: Implementation of the provisions of the Durban Programme of Action relating to health, including HIV/AIDS

Topic 3: The need for capacity-building, including the strengthening of the administration of justice and the rule of law

Topic 4: The role of African national and regional human rights institutions in implementing the Durban Programme of Action

Topic 5: Implementation of the Durban Programme of Action relating to human rights training and education:

- Educational and public information programmes, including those having a youth component, to promote cultural understanding and respect for diversity within and among different groups in Africa
- Promoting knowledge of contributions to world history civilization, as well as building on UNESCO's theme of Breaking the Silence through the teachings about the Transatlantic Slave Route Project in other parts of the World

Topic 6: Achieving full and effective equality through New Partnership for African Development (NEPAD) and development policies:

- Addressing the challenges of poverty, underdevelopment, marginalization, social exclusion and globalization
- Discrimination and the right to housing
- The role of international financial and development institutions and NEPAD initiatives
Topic 7: Implementation of provisions of the Durban Programme of Action for specific victims groups as well as provisions of the Durban Programme of Action relating to the gender dimensions of racial discrimination, and multiple discrimination more broadly

- Addressing discrimination and xenophobia faced by non-nationals, including migrants and refugees

- Gender dimensions of racial discrimination, and multiple discrimination as well discrimination faced by children from minorities

Topic 8: Implementation of the provisions of the Durban Programme of Action relating to environmental controls