



15th Anniversary of the Durban Declaration

Strengthening the role of National Human Rights Institutions and equality bodies in the fight against racism, racial discrimination, xenophobia and related intolerance



16 September 2016

2 p.m.-3.30 p.m.

Palais des Nations – Room XXII



The objectives of this side-event are the following:

- Raise awareness on the role and activities of NHRIs and equality bodies in the fight against racism, racial discrimination, xenophobia, and related intolerance, as an important element in the implementation of the Durban Declaration and its Review Conference;
- Discuss and share the best practices related to effective strategies and concrete actions to strengthen the impact of NHRIs and equality bodies in the fight against racism, racial discrimination and related intolerance; and
- Introduce the OHCHR Guide to be published on the establishment of independent mechanisms for promotion, protection and monitoring in the field of racism.

Welcoming words: H.E. Amb. Geert Muylle, Permanent Representative of Belgium

Chair: Mr Gianni Magazzeni, Chief, Americas, Europe and Central Asia Branch – OHCHR

Panel:

Mr Patrick Charlier, UNIA – Interfederal Centre for Equal Opportunities, Belgium

Special Envoy Prof. Alan Miller, Global Alliance of National Human Rights Institutions

Mr Petr Polak, EQUINET Board Member and Head of Division of Equal Treatment, Public Defender of Rights, Czech Republic

Closing Keynote: Stavros Lambrinidis, EU Special Representative for Human Rights

Light refreshments and sandwiches will be served at 13.45



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