

AGENDA

Event: 25 Years of Durban: Global Afro-descendant Solidarity, Reparations and Affirmative Action — Pathways to Inclusion in Public Service

Date and time:

15 April 2026, from 14:00 to 15:00 Geneva time

Description

Marking the 25th anniversary of the Durban Declaration and Programme of Action, this event reflects on its implementation through global solidarity among people of African descent. Acknowledging progress and persistent gaps, it will examine affirmative action and reparatory policies as key tools to address the enduring impacts of slavery, colonialism, and structural racism in different countries. Focusing on access to, retention in, and advancement within public service, the event will foster exchange among human rights defenders and strengthen collective strategies to advance racial equality, social justice, and the democratization of public institutions.

Moderator:

Jéssica Ferreira, Esperança Garcia Program Coordinator at Peregum Black Reference Institute

Panelists:

- **Rachel Barros**, Ministry of Racial Equality (Brazil)
- **Douglas Belchior**, Advocacy Director at Peregum Black Reference Institute
- **Claudia Trindade**, Special Advisor for Diversity and Inclusion at the Office of the Attorney General of Brazil (AGU)
- **Shari García**, International Project Manager at Afro Colombian Women Association (AMUAFROC)

Simultaneous translation to English, Portuguese and Spanish will be provided(*)

* Those who need translation, please make sure to bring your **own cellphones and headphones**.

Registration link: <https://forms.gle/3VcevoUuQkbbJRjPA>

Location:

Conference room at ISHR (International Service for Human Rights), Geneva

Address:

Rue de Varembe 1, 5th floor, Geneva, Switzerland