

Summary of Objectives

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Non-paper

- to review progress made and take stock of what has been accomplished in the fight against racism and racial discrimination, since the adoption of the Durban Declaration and Programme of Action;
 - to identify the major challenges and constraints encountered for the implementation of the Durban Declaration and Programme of Action;
 - to take stock of contemporary manifestations of racism and racial discrimination, since 2001;
 - to assess actions taken at the national level: e.g. the setting up of national plans of action against racism and discrimination, the adoption of anti-discrimination national legislation; the establishment of national institutions for the promotion of racial equality; the adoption of affirmative action policies;
 - to identify good practice in the fight against racism and racial discrimination;
 - to consider ways of better ensuring the effective implementation of the Durban Declaration and Programme of Action, given that it is a consensual and highly relevant document;
 - to enhance the effectiveness of the Committee on the Elimination of Racial Discrimination and the existing Durban follow-up mechanisms;
 - to come up with new strategies and practical solutions for combating racism, racial discrimination, xenophobia and to achieve full and effective equality.
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