



Order of the Day

Preparatory Committee for the Durban Review Conference

(First substantive session, 21 April – 2 May 2008)

Monday, 21 April 2008

Plenary meetings

1st meeting

10.00 a.m.

Salle XIX

Item 1: Opening of the session

Item 2: Adoption of the agenda

A/CONF.211/PC.2/1 and Add. 1.

Item 3: Organization of work *

A/CONF.211/PC.2/4 and Add. 1 and A/CONF.211/PC.2/6.

*See also draft timetable (Annex I) and modalities of the panel discussion (Annex II).

2nd meeting

3.00 p.m.

Salle XIX

Item 4: Submission of the provisional agenda of the Durban Review Conference.

A/CONF.211/PC.2/4

Notes

- All delegations scheduled to take the floor must provide the Secretariat beforehand with 25 copies of their statements. For general distribution, 250 copies are needed.
- All documents will be available at door 40.

Annex I
PREPARATORY COMMITTEE OF THE DURBAN REVIEW CONFERENCE
First substantive session, Geneva, 21 April – 2 May 2008

Draft timetable for the consideration of agenda items, as proposed by the Bureau of the Preparatory Committee (version of 20.04.08)

	<i>Monday 21 April 2008</i>	<i>Tuesday 22 April 2008</i>	<i>Wednesday 23 April 2008</i>	<i>Thursday 24 April 2008</i>	<i>Friday 25 April 2008</i>
<p>Morning</p> <p>10.00 a.m. to 1.00 p.m.</p>	<p>Item 1: Opening of the session</p> <p>Item 2: Adoption of the agenda</p> <p>Item 3: Organization of work</p> <p>Action on draft proposals</p>	<p>Item 5: Reports of preparatory meetings and activities at the international, regional and national levels.</p>	<p>Item 6: <i>continued</i></p> <p>Focus on <u>Objective 1</u>: To review progress and assess implementation of the Durban Declaration and Programme of Action by all stakeholders at the national, regional and international levels, including assessing contemporary manifestations of racism, racial discrimination, xenophobia and related intolerance, through an inclusive, transparent and collaborative process and identify concrete measures and initiatives for combating and eliminating all manifestations of racism, racial discrimination, xenophobia and related intolerance in order to foster the implementation of the DDPA.</p>	<p>Item 6: <i>continued</i></p> <p>Focus on <u>Objective 2</u>: To assess the effectiveness of the existing Durban follow-up mechanisms and other relevant United Nations mechanisms in order to enhance them.</p>	<p>Item 6: <i>continued</i></p> <p>Focus on <u>Objective 4</u>: To identify and share good practices achieved in the fight against racism, racial discrimination, xenophobia and related intolerance.</p>

<p>Afternoon 3.00 p.m. to 6.00 p.m.</p>	<p>Item 4: Submission of the provisional agenda of the Durban Review Conference</p>	<p>Item 6: Review of reports, studies and other documentation for the Preparatory Committee and the Durban Review Conference and contributions of human rights bodies and mechanisms.</p> <p>Panel of experts*</p>	<p>Item 6: continued Focus on <u>Objective 1</u> (continued)</p>	<p>Item 6: continued Focus on <u>Objective 3</u>: To promote the universal ratification and implementation of the International Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Racial Discrimination and proper consideration of the recommendations of the CERD.</p>	<p>Item 6: continued</p>
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* Please see modalities of the panel of experts.

PREPARATORY COMMITTEE OF THE DURBAN REVIEW CONFERENCE

First substantive session, Geneva, 21 April – 2 May 2008

Draft timetable for the consideration of agenda items, as proposed by the Bureau of the Preparatory Committee (version of 18.04.08)

(continued)

	<i>Monday 28 April 2008</i>	<i>Tuesday 29 April 2008</i>	<i>Wednesday 30 April 2008</i>	<i>Thursday 1 May 2008</i>	<i>Friday 2 May 2008</i>
Morning 10.00 a.m. to 1.00 p.m.	Item 7: Draft outcome document of the Durban Review Conference	Item 7: <i>continued</i>	Item 8: Organisation of the work of the Durban Review Conference and other matters	UN official holiday	Finalisation of the report by the Secretariat
Afternoon 3.00 p.m. to 6.00 p.m.	Item 7: <i>continued</i>	Item 7: <i>continued</i>	Item 8: <i>continued</i> Action on draft proposals	UN official holiday	Item 9: Adoption of the report of the Preparatory Committee

Annex II
Modalities of the panel discussion on the objectives of the Durban Review Conference

scheduled to be held on Tuesday, 22 April 2008, as recommended by the Bureau of PrepCom (see document A/CONF.211/PC.2/4, draft decision 3)

- I. Timing: At the beginning of consideration of agenda item 6: “Review of reports, studies and other documentation for the Preparatory Committee and the Durban Review Conference and contributions of human rights bodies and mechanisms”.
- II. Total time available: 3 hours (from 3.00 to 6.00 p.m.)
- III. Panellists:
1. Chairperson of the Intergovernmental Working Group on the effective implementation of the Durban Declaration and Programme of Action;
 2. Chairperson of the Working Group of Experts on People of African Descent;
 3. One independent eminent expert on the implementation of the Durban Declaration and Programme of Action;
 4. Two members of the Committee on the Elimination of Racial Discrimination;
 5. Special Rapporteur on contemporary forms of racism, racial discrimination, xenophobia and related intolerance;
 6. Chairperson of the Ad Hoc Committee on the elaboration of complementary international standards.
- IV. Time limits for statements by the panellists: 10 minutes per presentation, with total duration of 1 hour.
- V. The presentations by the experts will be followed by an interactive dialogue open to all participants of the session.
- VI. Time limit for comments/questions addressed to the experts: 3 minutes per statement, with total duration of 1 hour.
- VII. The panellists will then be given the possibility to answer the questions and make concluding remarks. Time limits: 10 minutes per statement, with total duration of 1 hour.

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