

Side Event to the

75th Anniversary of the Convention on the Prevention and Punishment of the Crime of Genocide

“The Role of Religious Communities in Upholding and Implementing the Genocide Convention”

Tuesday, 28 November 2023

ECOSOC Chamber, United Nations Headquarters, New York

AGENDA

Welcome remarks	
10:00 – 10:20	<p>Ms. Alice Wairimu Nderitu, Under-Secretary-General, Special Adviser of the United Nations Secretary-General on the Prevention of Genocide</p> <p>Mr. Miguel Ángel Moratinos, Under-Secretary-General, High Representative for the United Nations Alliance of Civilizations</p>
10:20 – 10:22	A Moment of Silence to Pay Tribute to All Victims of Genocide
Insights from religious actors on their work implementing the principles of the Genocide Convention and on the way forward	
<p>Guiding questions:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) How has your organization been promoting, protecting and implementing the Genocide Convention and its principles? 2) How can the role of religious leaders and faith actors be enhanced to uphold the implementation of the Genocide Convention and its principles? 3) How can religious leaders and faith actors contribute to the prevention work of the United Nations, including the prevention of genocide and other human rights violations and atrocities, at the community and global levels? 	

10:22 – 11:00	<p>Ms. Sadhvi Bhagawati Saraswati, Secretary-General of the Global Interfaith WASH Alliance</p> <p>Dr. Mohamed Elsanousi, Executive Director of The Network for Religious & Traditional Peacemakers</p> <p>Rabbi Burton L. Visotzky, Appleman Professor of Midrash and Interreligious Studies Emeritus at the Jewish Theological Seminary</p> <p>Ms. Debra Boudreaux, Chief Executive Officer of the Buddhist Tzu Chi Foundation</p> <p>Mr. Rudelmar Bueno de Faria, General Secretary at ACT Alliance</p>
11:00-11:30	Interventions from the floor
Closing remarks	
11:30-11:45	<p>Ms. Alice Wairimu Nderitu, Under-Secretary-General, Special Adviser of the United Nations Secretary-General on the Prevention of Genocide</p> <p>Mr. Miguel Ángel Moratinos, Under-Secretary-General, High Representative for the United Nations Alliance of Civilization</p>