



**COMMEMORATION OF THE INTERNATIONAL DAY OF REFLECTION ON THE 1994  
GENOCIDE AGAINST THE TUTSI IN RWANDA**  
Monday, 15 April 2024

**PROGRAMME**

- 10:00-11:00 Commemoration at the Memorial Stele (Place des Nations)**
- **Wreath laying and Observance of a minute of silence,**
  - **Remarks by H.E. Mr. James Ngango,** Ambassador and Permanent Representative of Rwanda to the United Nations Office and other International Organizations at Geneva
  - **Remarks by Mr. Antonio Hodgers,** President of the Council of the Republic and Canton of Geneva
  - **Remarks by Mr. Francesco Pisano,** Director, United Nations Library & Archives Geneva
  - **A memorial song by Mr. Jean Pierre Ntwari Mucumbitsi,** Rwandan Artist
  - **Remarks by Mr. César Murangira,** President of Ibuka Memory and Justice (Swiss Section)
  - **Remarks by Mr. Laurent Selvi,** President of CICAD

**14:00 – 16:00 International Conference** organized by the Permanent Mission of Rwanda, Room XVII, Palais des Nations

**16:00- 17:30 Commemoration Ceremony in Human Rights and Alliance of Civilizations Room (Room XX), Palais des Nations**

- **Introduction** by the Master of Ceremonies, **Ms. Alessandra Vellucci,** Director, United Nations Information Service
- **Lighting of candles**
- **Observance of a minute of silence**
- **Memorial Song** by Mr. Jean Pierre Ntwari Mucumbitsi, Rwandan Artist
- Message of **Mr. António Guterres,** Secretary-General of the United Nations, read by **Ms. Tatiana Valovaya,** Director-General, United Nations Office at Geneva, followed by the Director-General's remarks
- Statement by Mr. Volker Türk, High Commissioner for Human Rights, read out by Deputy High Commissioner for Human Rights Ms. Nada Al-Nashif
- **Kwibuka30 Documentary:** Rwanda, from despair to hope
- **Remarks by Mr. César Murangira,** President of the Association of Genocide Survivors IBUKA, Memory and Justice (Swiss section)
- **Poetry reading by Ms. Angèle-Marie Habiyakare,** Member of the *Grand Conseil de Genève*
- **Testimony by Ms. Clarisse Naila Petrus,** Survivor of the 1994 Genocide against the Tutsi in Rwanda
- **Memorial Song** by Jean Pierre Ntwari Mucumbitsi, Rwandan Artist
- **Remarks by H.E. Mr. James Ngango,** Ambassador, Permanent Representative of Rwanda to the United Nations Office and other International Organizations at Geneva
- **17h30 End of the ceremony to be followed by exhibition tour**