



MODALITIES OF PARTICIPATION

Session modalities

Sessions will start and end punctually at the times indicated in the programme. During all sessions, except for plenary sessions, there are expected Q&A segments.

Session moderators will be responsible for ensuring participation from the floor and for facilitating multi-stakeholder dialogue. Participants wishing to speak from the floor should raise their hand, or country plate for State delegations. If given the floor, participants should clearly indicate their name and organization and keep their comments short (no more than 2 minutes).

Constructive and respectful dialogue

All participants are encouraged to contribute to the Forum's spirit of constructive, multi-stakeholder dialogue, keeping a focus on finding solutions and ways to strengthen human rights protection and prevent and address harm.

Participants are requested not to read from pre-prepared written statements, documents or published texts in order to stimulate dynamic discussions. Written submissions may be sent to the Forum Secretariat for online posting (to: ohchr-forumbhr@un.org , indicating "Written submission" in the subject line).

Session moderators will use their discretion in managing interventions from the floor in order to enable different stakeholders to participate in the dialogue and to ensure a balanced debate pertinent to the topic of the respective session (see guidance for session organizers and moderators). In line with the nature of the Forum, all stakeholders; States, non-governmental organizations, community representatives, and businesses participate on an equal footing.

Seating arrangements

There will be free seating in all sessions. Participants are advised to be in the room 10 minutes before the start of the session.

Languages

Interpretation is available in all UN languages for the plenary sessions on 25 and 27 November in Room XX, and in English, French, and Spanish for the parallel sessions in rooms XIX and XX during official hours (10 am to 1 pm and from 3 pm to 6 pm). All information regarding interpretation will be included in the concept notes of each session in the online programme. When no interpretation is indicated, the session will be only in English.

Webcast



There will be live streaming of sessions that are held in Rooms XIX and XX. Links to UN web TV will be available in the respective concept notes in the online agenda. In case additional sessions are being livestreamed, there will be a link in the respective concept notes.

Forum hashtags

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