

THE EXPERT MECHANISM ON THE RIGHT TO DEVELOPMENT
FOURTEENTH SESSION, 26–28 OCTOBER 2026
Council Chamber, (Building C) PALAIS DES NATIONS, GENEVA
PROGRAMME OF WORK

	MONDAY 26 OCTOBER 2026	TUESDAY 27 OCTOBER 2026	WEDNESDAY 28 OCTOBER 2026	
10:00 - 13:00	Item 1 – Opening of the session Item 2 – Adoption of the agenda and programme of work Item 3 – General debate Item 4 – Coordination meeting with other United Nations mechanisms on the Right to Development** ** if time does not allow, this item will be moved to Wednesday 28 October, 15:00	Item 5 (cont'd) – Implementation of the mandate and programme of work: (b) Focused thematic discussions 10:00-11:30 (i) Role of businesses in realizing the right to development in the age of mandatory human rights due diligence - <i>Presented by Mr. Liang</i> 11:30-13:00 (ii) Access to food, food security, inequalities and the right to development - <i>Presented by Ms. Biholar</i>	Item 5 (cont'd) – Implementation of the mandate and programme of work: (b) Focused thematic discussions 10:00-11:30 (iii) Indigenous peoples and the right to development - <i>Presented by Mr. Keane</i> 11:30-13:00 Closed meeting - Internal discussion and consensus-building among experts on conclusions and recommendations	10:00 - 13:00
13:00 - 15:00	Break/Lunch	Break/Lunch	Break/Lunch	13:00 - 15:00
15:00 - 18:00	Item 5 – Implementation of the mandate and programme of work: (a) Consideration of thematic studies 15:00-16:30 (i) Peace and security and the right to development (updated thematic study) - <i>Presented by Ms. Ibáñez Rivas</i> 16:30-18:00 Closed meeting - Internal discussion among experts	Item 5 (cont'd) – Implementation of the mandate and programme of work (a) Consideration of thematic studies 15:00-17:00 (ii) Illicit financial flows and the right to development (draft study) - <i>Presented by Mr. Djoyou Kamga</i> 17:00-18:00 Closed meeting - Internal discussion among experts	Item 4 – Coordination meeting with other United Nations mechanisms on the Right to Development 15:00-15:45 ** tentative slot – used only if this item could not be held on Monday ** Item 6 – Conclusion of the session 15:45-16:30 Adoption of conclusions and recommendations 16:30-18:00 Closed meeting - Internal discussion among experts	15:00 - 18:00