

On the occasion of the 5th session of the Forum on Minority Issues

STRATEGIES TO PROTECT AND PROMOTE THE RIGHTS OF RELIGIOUS MINORITIES

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Effective participation in public and political life

Discussion moderated by **Ambassador Christian Strohal**, Permanent Representative of Austria to the United Nations

Speakers:

Rita Izsák, UN Independent Expert on Minority Issues

Heiner Bielefeldt, UN Special Rapporteur on freedom of religion or belief

Shobha Das, Director of Programmes, Minority Rights Group International (MRG)

Carla Amina Baghajati, Member of the Supreme Council of the Official Islamic Religious Community in Austria

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1pm Room XXII