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COUNCIL**



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FACTS & FIGURES




Fellowship 2023



BENEFICIARY FELLOWS 2023

STATES OF ORIGIN

During the 54th session of the Human Rights Council (HRC) until November 2023, the LDCs/SIDS Trust Fund supported **5 fellows** from each region Africa (2), Asia-Pacific (2), and Latin America and the Caribbean (1).

| <u>Africa</u> | <u>Asia-Pacific</u> | <u>Latin America and the Caribbean</u> |
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| Angola Madagascar | Kiribati Maldives | Bahamas |

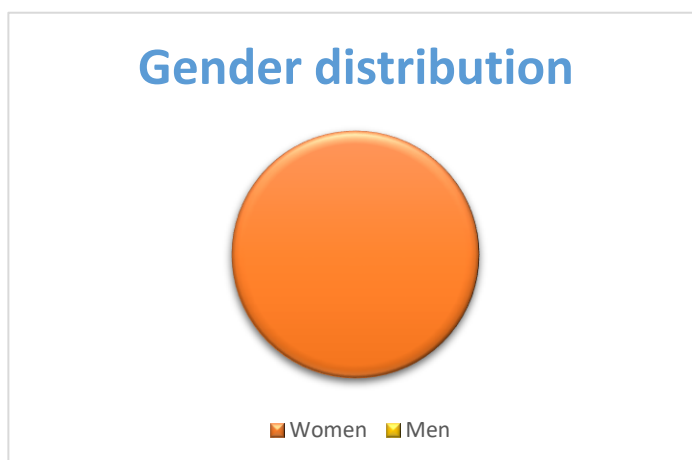
KEY FACTS



WHO ARE THEY?

Gender: **5 women**

[Biographies and pictures](#)



WHERE DO THE BENEFICIARY FELLOWS WORK?

| Ministries / Government departments | LDCs/SIDS | Women | Men | Total |
|-------------------------------------|----------------------------------|----------|----------|----------|
| Foreign Affairs and Human Rights | Angola Madagascar Maldives | 3 | 0 | 3 |
| Justice | Kiribati* | 1 | 0 | 1 |
| Constitutional and Legal Affairs | Bahamas | 1 | 0 | 1 |
| Total | | 5 | 0 | 5 |

**Both a Least Developed Country and a Small Island Developing State*

BENEFICIARY DELEGATES AND FELLOWS FROM CURRENT MEMBERS OF THE HRC: 1

Asia: Maldives

BENEFICIARY DELEGATES AND FELLOWS FROM STATES WITHOUT A PERMANENT REPRESENTATION IN GENEVA: 1

Pacific: Kiribati

THEIR VOICES HAVE BEEN HEARD!

✓ Delivered a total of **15 statements**:

- **15 statements** in their respective national capacities
- **2 joint statements**

Joint statement delivered by Rashed Ahmed (Bangladesh), on behalf of 14 LDCs/SIDS beneficiary delegates and fellows, during Item 6: General Debate on Universal Periodic Review -- 4 October 2023

Joint statement delivered by E. Agnès Bayili Bassonou (Burkina Faso), on behalf of 14 LDCs/SIDS beneficiary delegates and fellows, during Item 10: General debate on technical assistance and capacity-building -- 11 October 2023

HIGHLIGHTS OF THE SESSION



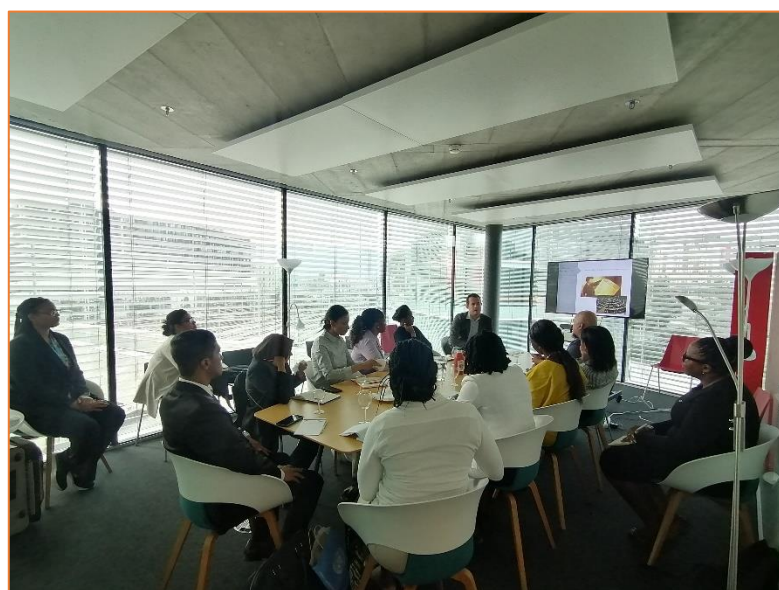
Induction course (6 and 8 September 2023)



**Encounter with H.E. Mr. Václav Bálek,
President of the Human Rights Council, 17th Cycle (2023)**



**Universal Rights Group (URG)
Briefing to LDCs/SIDS Trust Fund Delegates and Fellows (12 September
2023)**



Convention against Torture Initiative (CTI)

Briefing to LDCs/SIDS Trust Fund Delegates and Fellows (19 September 2023)



Meeting at the Commonwealth Small States Office in Geneva (27 September 2023)



Fellows at Palais Wilson, OHCHR headquarters:



Weekly meetings with the fellows (OHCHR Motta):



OHCHR briefing 'Migration and human rights' (14 November 2023, OHCHR Palais Wilson):



OHCHR information session on 'The Doha Programme of Action and the SIDS4 Conference - how UN plans for LDCs and SIDS relate to the right to development' (17 November 2023, OHCHR Motta):




OHCHR briefing on 'Integrating a gender perspective in the work of the Human Rights Council' (23 November 2023, OHCHR Motta):



Certificate ceremony (29 November 2023)



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Subject of research projects:

Angola, Sónia Serrão

The Role of CIERNDH and the Angolan National Human Rights Strategy in Closing the Gap in the Implementation of Human Rights Recommendations

Bahamas, Akeyra E. Saunders-Gabriel

Statelessness: The Effects of Climate Change and Rising Sea Level on Small Island Developing States

Kiribati, Aileen Bauro

Kiribati implementation plan for the 3rd UPR accepted recommendations

Madagascar, Soafara Ruphine

Economic specificity and human rights: focus on the reality economic of poor country dominated by corruption and illicit assets and on human rights

Maldives, Mizna Waheed

Enhancing Maldives' engagement with the United Nations Human Rights Council and its mechanisms



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