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FACTS & FIGURES

HRC 53






BENEFICIARY DELEGATES AT HRC 53

(19 June to 14 July 2023)

STATES OF ORIGIN

During the 53d session of the Human Rights Council (HRC), the LDCs/SIDS Trust Fund supported 13 government officials from Africa (8), Asia-Pacific (3), and Latin America and the Caribbean (2) to participate in the session.

<u>Africa</u>	<u>Asia-Pacific</u>	<u>Latin America and the Caribbean</u>
		
<p>Benin Gambia) Guinea-Bissau Madagascar Malawi Mali Togo United Republic of Tanzania</p>	<p>Maldives Micronesia (Federated States of) Nauru</p>	<p>Antigua and Barbuda Suriname</p>

KEY FACTS

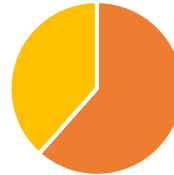


GENDER DISTRIBUTION

WHO ARE THEY?

Gender: **8** women, **5** men

[Biographies and pictures](#)



■ Women ■ Men

WHERE DO THE BENEFICIARY DELEGATES WORK?

Ministries / Government departments	LDCs/SIDS	Women	Men	Total
Foreign Affairs and Human Rights	Benin Guinea-Bissau* Madagascar Maldives Mali Micronesia (Federated States of) Suriname Togo	5	3	8
Justice	Malawi Nauru	2	0	2
Office of the Attorney-General	Antigua and Barbuda Gambia	2	0	2
Constitutional and Legal Affairs	United Republic of Tanzania	1	0	1
Total		8	6	13

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

BENEFICIARY DELEGATES FROM CURRENT MEMBERS OF THE HRC: 4

Africa: Benin, Gambia, Malawi

Asia: Maldives

BENEFICIARY DELEGATES FROM STATES WITHOUT A PERMANENT REPRESENTATION IN GENEVA: 4

Africa: Benin, Guinea-Bissau

Caribbean & Latin America: Suriname

Pacific: Micronesia (Federated States of)

THEIR VOICES HAVE BEEN HEARD!

✓ Delivered a total of **62 statements**:

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

Joint statement delivered by Diambéré Sylla (Mali), on behalf of 13 LDCs/SIDS beneficiary delegates, during Item 3: Panel discussion on the negative impact of climate change on the full realization on the right to food -- 3 July 2023

Joint statement delivered by Annelies Shirley Agwense (Suriname), on behalf of 13 LDCs/SIDS beneficiary delegates, during Item 10 Enhanced Interactive Dialogue on the report of the HC on the way forward to improve technical cooperation and Capacity-Building in the field of Human Rights -- 11 July 2023

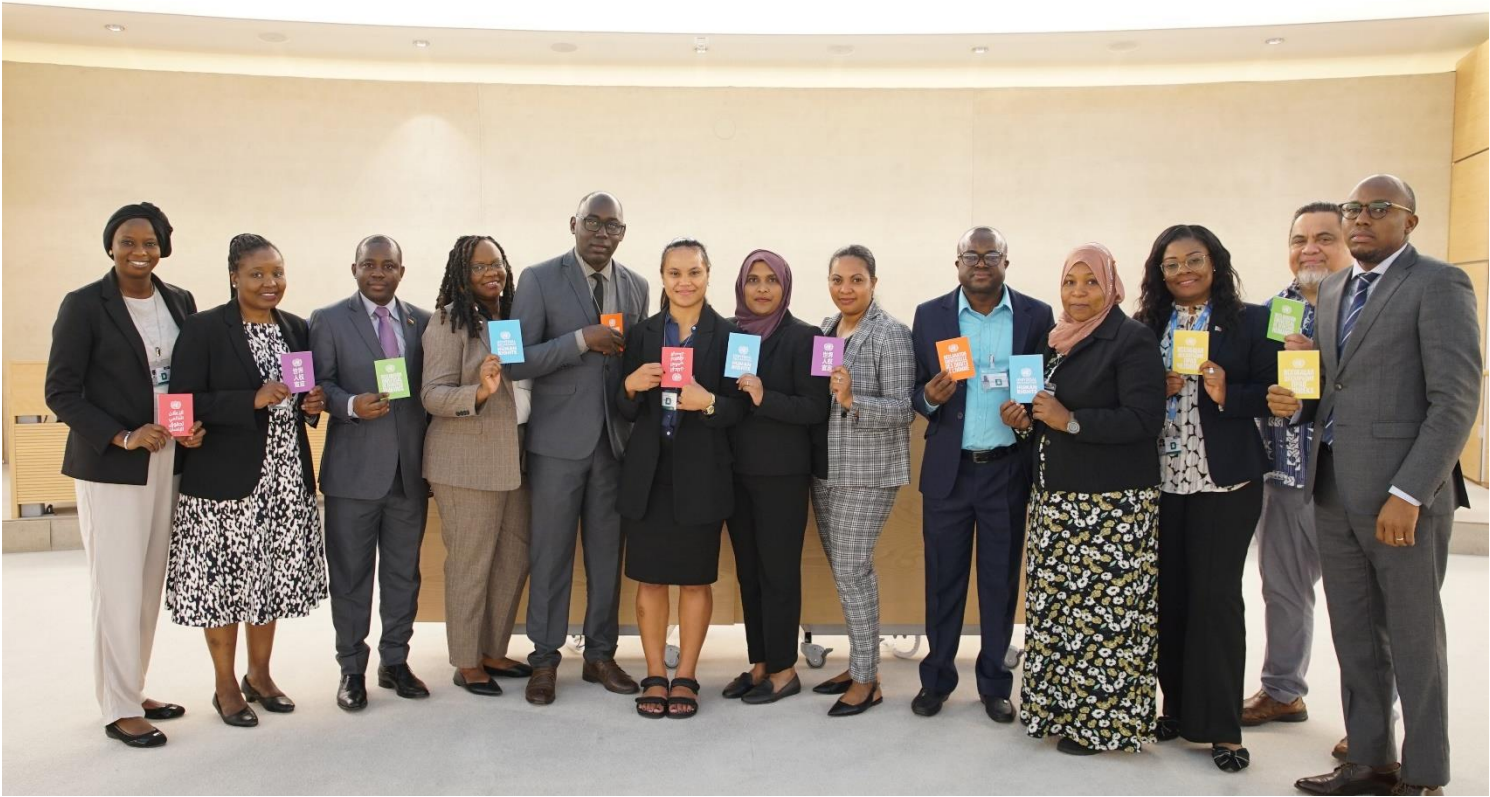
HIGHLIGHTS OF THE SESSION



Induction course (15 and 16 June 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 (20 June 2023)



**Meeting at the Commonwealth Small States Office in Geneva
(28 June 2023)**



Convention against Torture Initiative (CTI) Briefing to LDCs/SIDS Trust Fund Delegates (04 July 2023)



Press release of the event:

<https://cti2024.org/news/prevention-of-torture-sids-and-ldcs-are-up-to-the-task/>



Certificate ceremony (12 July 2023)



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