

Hearing on Racism, Discrimination, Afrophobia and Xenophobia

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On 12 August, clergy took a stand against racism by marching in silent protest through Charlottesville. Photo: Steven D. Martin/NCCUSA

Event details

When

25 September 2017

Where

Geneva, Switzerland / online

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Programme of the day:

Words of welcome and introductory remarks

Rev. Dr Olav Fykse Tveit, general secretary, World Council of Churches (WCC)

Keynote address

Mr Sabelo Gumede, chairperson, UN Working Group of Experts on People of African Descent (WGEPAD)

Moderator: *Prof. Isabel Apawo Phiri, deputy general secretary, WCC*

Panel discussion

- Dr Iva Carruthers, general secretary, Samuel Dewitt Proctor Conference
- Rev. Mike Kinman, rector, All Saints Church
- Rev. Traci Blackmon, executive minister, United Church of Christ
- Dr Leah Gunning Francis, vice president for Academic Affairs and Dean of the Faculty, Christian Theological Seminary, Indianapolis
- Rev. Karen Georgia Thompson, secretary on the Executive Committee and the Governing Board, National Council of the Churches of Christ in the USA

Moderator: *Bishop Mary Ann Swenson, vice-moderator, WCC Central Committee*

When: 25 September 2017, 9-11 a.m. CET

Where: Ecumenical Centre, Visser't Hooft Hall (Main Hall)

Livestream: www.youtube.com/wccworld/live