



*People of African Descent:  
Recognition, Justice and Development*

Mid-Term Review of the International Decade for People of African Descent

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Concept Note

**Background**

The International Decade for People of African Descent under the theme “People of African descent: recognition, justice and development”, was established through the adoption of UN General Assembly resolution 68/237.

The resolution established the following specific objectives for the International Decade:

- To strengthen national, regional and international action and cooperation in relation to the full enjoyment of economic, social, cultural, civil and political rights by people of African descent and their full and equal participation in all aspects of society;
- To promote a greater knowledge of and respect for the diverse heritage, culture and contributectives

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