

Follow-up consultation with the Republic of Kenya
30 September-01 October, 2024

Day One – 30 September		
Time	Item	Presenter
09:00-09:30	Opening <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Remark by the Head of Delegation of the Republic Kenya - Remark by the Country Rapporteur of the ACERWC 	
09:30-10:30	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Presentation on the State Party reporting procedure - Presentation on the elements of the Concluding Observations and Recommendations of the ACERWC 	ACERWC
10:30-11:30	Reflection and Discussion on the implementation of the Concluding Observations and Recommendations <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Mechanism for report compilation and submission - General Measures of Implementation and Definition of the Child 	Representative of the State and ACERWC
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13:00-14:00	Lunch Break	

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16:00-17:00	Reflection and Discussion on the implementation of the Concluding Observations and Recommendations <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Special protection measures - Preparation of the next report 	Representatives of the State and ACERWC
Day two- 01 October		
09:00-09:30	Presentation on the elements of the decision of the Committee on Communication No 002/com/002/2009	ACERWC
09:30-12:30	Reflection on the implementation of the Decision <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Implementation of decision mechanism and dissemination of the decision to stakeholders - Right to birth registration and nationality of children of Nubian descents - Legislative and administrative measures undertaken to ensure Universal, free, and non-discriminatory birth registration system - Right to basic services for children of Nubian descents focusing on the right to education and health facilities 	Representatives of the State and ACERWC
12:30-13:00	End of the consultation with the State Party <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 	Representative of the State and ACERWC
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Follow-up consultation with the Islamic Republic of Mauritania
30 September-01 October 2024

Program

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09:00-09:30	<p>Opening</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Remark by the Head of Delegation of the Islamic Republic of Mauritania - Remark by the Country Rapporteur of the ACERWC 	

09:30-10:30	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Presentation on the State Party reporting procedure - Presentation on the elements of the Concluding Observations and Recommendations of the ACERWC 	ACERWC
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Day two- 01 October		
09:00-10:00	Presentation about the Elements of the Decision on Communication No 007/Com/003/2015	ACERWC
10:00-11:30	<p>Reflection on the implementation of the Decision</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Implementation of decision mechanism and dissemination of the decision to stakeholders - Measures undertaken to persecute perpetrators in the case of Said and Yard - Measures undertaken for Said and Yard in terms of access to services such as education, health, birth registration and identity; 	Representative of the State and ACERWC

	rehabilitation services, and compensation	
11:30-12:30	<p>Reflection on the implementation of the Decision</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Measures undertaken to identify the prevalence of the practice of slavery through baseline study - Measures undertaken to prevent, investigate and prosecute cases of slavery and similar practices - Measures undertaken to eliminate the practice of slavery like practices through sensitization and other measures - Reflection on cases of children withdrawn from such circumstances of slavery <p>Collaboration with the other Stakeholders</p>	Representative of the State and ACERWC
12:30-13:00	End of consultation with the State Party	Head of Delegation of the State and Country Rapporteur of the ACERWC
13:00-14:00	Lunch Break	
14:00-16:00	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Reflection and Discussion on the status of implementation of the ACERWC Recommendations and Decisions with CSOs 	CSO and Children representatives and ACERWC

Working Group Meetings
30 September- 01 October 2024

30 September

Time	ITEM/ACTIVITY	Access to Session
09:00-12:00	- Meetings of the Working Group on Children's Rights and Business	Closed Session
14:00-17:00	- Meetings of the Working Group on Children with Disabilities	

01 October 2024

Time	ITEM/ACTIVITY	Access to Session
09:00-12:00	Meetings of the Working Group on Implementation of Decisions	Closed Session
14:00-17:00	- Meetings of the Working Group on Children's Rights and Climate Change	

44th ORDINARY SESSION OF THE AFRICAN COMMITTEE OF EXPERTS ON THE RIGHTS AND WELFARE OF THE CHILD (ACERWC)

02 October 2024

TIME	ITEM/ACTIVITY	Access to Session
08:30-10:00	i. Procedural Matters ✓ Adoption of the Agenda and the Program of Work. ii. Organization of work ✓ Assignments of Committee Members for consideration of applications for Observer and Affiliate Status ✓ Allocation of Assistant Rapporteurs for State Party and Complementary Reports	Closed Session
10:00-12:00	Official Opening of the 44th Session of the ACERWC i. Remarks by children's representatives (one child from Lesotho one from another Country) ii. Remarks by CSO Forum representative iii. Remarks by the Executive Director of NANHRIs iv. Remarks by the Chairperson of the African Commission on Human and Peoples' Rights v. Remarks by the President of the African Court on Human and Peoples' Rights vi. Remarks by the OHCHR Representative to the AU vii. Remarks by the UNCRC Representative viii. Remarks by the Chairperson of the PRC Subcommittee on Governance, Democracy and Human Rights ix. Remarks by the Chairperson of the ACERWC x. Opening Remarks by Representative of the Kingdom of Lesotho	Open Session

12:00-13:00	Tribute to Hon Theophane Nikyema	
13:00-14:30	Children's Performance, Family Photo and Lunch Break	
14:30-16:30	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Remarks by Representatives of Member States (3 minutes each) - Remarks by NHRIs with Affiliate Status (3 minutes each) - Recommendations of the CSO Forum - Remarks by Organisations with Observer Status (3 Minutes Each) - Remarks by Development Partners (3 Minutes Each) 	
16:30-17:00	Health Break	

CHILD RIGHTS FORUM ON THE AFRICAN CHILDREN'S CHARTER
03-04 October 2024

03 October 2024

Time	Item	Panelists/presentation	Facilitator
9:00-09:30	Opening Remarks	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Child Representative - Chairperson of the ACERWC 	ACERWC Secretariat
09:30-10:00	Setting the Scene: Introduction of the Objectives of the Forum and the Program	ACERWC Secretariat	Chairperson of the ACERWC
10:00-11:15	Discussion on Monitoring Mandate of the ACERWC	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - ACERWC - ACHPR - Ghana Experience sharing - UNCRC Representative 	Chairperson of the ACERWC

		- Amnesty International	
11:15-11:45	Tea break and family photo		
11:45-13:00	Education: Ensuring School Retention	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - ACERWC Secretariat on the outcome recommendations of the DAC - Member State experience sharing for school retention programs by Mozambique - Children's reflection - AU CIEFFA - FAWE 	Special Rapporteur on Education
13:00-14:00	Lunch break		
14:00-15:30	Conversation on Establishment of NHRI with a functioning child rights structure	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Representative of the Government of Lesotho - Representative of the NANHRI Malawi - ACERWC Secretariat on Child Rights Structures of NHRIs - NANHRI 	Representative of AGA
15:30-17:00	Violence Against Children and Harmful Practices	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - ACERWC Thematic report on Harmful Practices - Experience sharing by Sierra Leone on the recent law reform - Child Representative - Equality Now 	Special Rapporteur on Child Marriage and Harmful Practices

04 October 2024

Time	Item	Panelists/presentation	Facilitator
09:00-10:30	Socio-Economic Vulnerabilities of Children with Disabilities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Child Representative - Reflection from the People's Democratic Republic of Algeria - African Disability Forum 	Working Group on Children with Disabilities
10:30-11:00	Tea break		
11:00-12:45	Child Rights-Based Approach to Climate Action: With focus on Adaptation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Testimonies of Children - UNICEF Presentation on Child responsive Adaptation in West and Central Africa 	Working Group on Climate Change and Children's Rights

		- Good case practice from Cabo Verde	
12:45-14:00	Lunch Break		
14:00-15:30	Experience Sharing on National Mechanisms for Reporting and Follow-up for the Implementation of the Decisions and Recommendations of the Committee	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Representative of Rwanda on experience sharing on NMRF - APRM - OHCHR on the status of National Mechanisms for Reporting and Follow-up - CHR - IHRDA 	Working Group on Implementation of Decisions
15:30-16:00	Tea break		
16:00-17:30	Safeguarding Children's Rights in the Informal Business Sector in Africa	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Documentary on children in the informal business sector - Reflection from the Republic of Cote D'Ivoire - Reflection from a Child Representative - Reflection from Ghana NHRI - ILO 	Working Group on Business and Children's rights

05 October 2024

RECs Workshop on Violence against Children

Time	Activity	Speakers/Facilitators
8:45-09:00	Arrival and Registration	ACERWC Secretariat
09:00-09:10	Remarks by ACPF	Representatives of ACPF
9:00-9:20	Remarks by ACERWC	Special Rapporteur of the Committee on VAC
09:20-9:40	General Overview of the Guidelines on Ending Violence Against Children in Africa	ACERWC Secretariat

09:40 – 10:00	The Roles of Regional Economic Communities (RECs) and Civil Society Organizations (CSOs) in Ending VAC and Implementing the Guidelines	ACPF
10:00-10:20	Tea Break and Family Photo	ACERWC Secretariat
10:20-11:20	Presentations and Experience Sharing by RECs Representatives on the Challenges, Recent Developments, and Normative Institutional and Legal Frameworks on VAC	RECs
11:20-11:40	The Role of CSOs in Addressing Violence Against Children (VAC): Popularizing the VAC Guidelines and Charting Further Actions	CSO
11:40-12:00	Way forwards and Closing	ACERWC

Side Event
05 October 2024, 12:00-13:00

Time	ITEM/ACTIVITY	Access to Session
12:00-13:00	Launching the Policy Mapping Report on Prevention of Violence Against Children in Schools	Open

07 October 2024

TIME	ITEM/ACTIVITY	Access to Session
09:00-10:00	- Presentation on the AU Continental Early Warning System	Open Session
10:00-11:00	- Monitoring tools to assess Member States' performance in addressing CWPC - Presentation on draft GC on CWPC	
11:00-13:00	ACPF presentations	
13:10-14:00	Lunch	
14:00-15:30	- ACERWC Reparation Guidelines	
15:30-16:30	- Presentations by Partner Organisations	

08 October 2024

TIME	ITEM/ACTIVITY	Access to Session
09:00-12:00	- Consideration of the Periodic Report of Namibia	Open Session
14:00-17:00	- Consideration of the Periodic Report of Zambia	

09 October 2024

TIME	ITEM/ACTIVITY	Access to Session
09:00-13:00	- Implementation Hearing on Communication 0012 Legal and Human Rights Centre, Centre for Reproductive Rights Vs the United Republic of Tanzania	Open Session
14:00-17:00	- Communication No. 0019/Com/001/2022-The Institute for Human Rights and Development in Africa and Mr. Solomon Joojo Cobbinah on behalf of schoolgirls living along the River Offin in the Ashanti Region against the Republic of Ghana	Closed Session

10 October 2024

TIME	ITEM/ACTIVITY	Access to Session
09:00-13:00	- Hearing on Communication No. 0017/Com/001/2021 submitted by Child Rights and Rehabilitation Network, Institute for Human Rights and Development in Africa and Centre for Human Rights (On Behalf of Children Affected by Witchcraft Accusations in Nigeria) against the Federal Republic of Nigeria	Closed Session
14:00-17:00	- Consideration of pending Communications	

11 October 2024

TIME	ITEM/ACTIVITY	Access to Session
09:00-13:00	- Consideration of pending Communications	Closed Session
14:00-17:00	- Reports of intersession activities - Presentation on Budget and Projects - Internal Matters	

12 October 2024

TIME	ITEM/ACTIVITY	Access to Session
09:00-16:00	- Adoption of Decisions	Closed Session
16:00-16:30	- Closing	Open Session