

The United Nations Special Rapporteur on contemporary forms of racism, racial discrimination, xenophobia and related intolerance, Ms. E. Tendayi Achiume, will undertake an official country visit to the UK from 30 April to 11 May 2018 at the invitation of the Government.

During the visit, Ms. Achiume will meet with a wide range of stakeholders across the UK in order to:

- examine manifestations of racism, racial discrimination, xenophobia and related intolerance, and related trends in the UK;
- assess the existing legal, institutional and policy framework for the protection of groups and individuals that may be subjected to racial discrimination and related intolerance;
- follow up on recommendations made to the UK by various human rights mechanisms;
- seek information on existing good practices for combatting racial discrimination, and challenges in their implementation;
- gather information on achievements that have advanced racial equality;
- document remaining gaps and challenges with a view to making concrete recommendations to the Government and other relevant stakeholders.

The Special Rapporteur will start her fact-finding mission in England and namely London, before proceeding to Wales, Scotland and Northern Ireland.

As part of her visit, the Special Rapporteur would like to extend an invitation to civil society actors based in/around London to provide their unique perspective on the issues covered by her mandate. In light of her tight schedule, and the large number of relevant civil society actors, the Special Rapporteur is convening a series of joint civil society consultations to gather information on the various issues falling within her mandate. The following meetings will take place in London between 30 April and 2 May 2018:

Themes	Issues covered	Date/ Location
Socio-economic and political integration	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Access to basic services, including health, housing and education • Access to employment, just and fair conditions at work • Representation in decision-making • Discrimination on religious grounds 	Monday, 30 April 16.00-18.00
Intersectionality between racial discrimination and discrimination based on gender and/or sexual orientation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Violence and discrimination against women and girls • Violence and discrimination based on sexual orientation 	18.00-19.00 Equality and Human Rights Commission, Fleetbank House, 2-6 Salisbury Square, London EC4Y 8JX

<p>Extreme right-wing parties, Brexit and hate speech/crimes</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hate speech • Hate crimes • Populism • Brexit • Anti-Semitism • Discrimination on grounds of religion 	<p>Tuesday, 1 May 16.30 – 18.30</p> <p>Amnesty International UK, 17-25 New Inn Yard, London EC2A 3EA</p>
<p>Policing and administration of justice</p> <p>Situation of non-citizens (including migrants, asylum seekers, refugees and stateless persons)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Accountability & Access to justice • Hate crimes • Racial/Ethnic profiling • Excessive use of force by law enforcement • Death in custody • Criminalisation • Over-incarceration • Institutional detention • National security and counter-terrorism 	<p>Wednesday, 2 May 14.00-18.00</p> <p>Open Society Foundation, 7th Floor Millbank Tower, 21-24 Millbank, London SW1P 4QP</p>