



# International Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Racial Discrimination

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**Consideration of reports, comments and information submitted  
by States Parties under article 9 of the Convention**

### List of themes in relation to the combined twenty-fourth and twenty-fifth periodic reports of Sweden

#### Note by the Country Rapporteur

1. The Committee on the Elimination of Racial Discrimination decided at its seventy-sixth session<sup>1</sup> that the Country Rapporteur would send to the State Party concerned a short list of themes, with a view to guiding and focusing the dialogue between the State Party's delegation and the Committee during the consideration of the State Party's report. The present document contains a list of such themes. It is not an exhaustive list; other issues may also be raised in the course of the dialogue. No written replies are required.

#### Statistics

2. Updated statistics on the demographic composition of the population based on self-identification, disaggregated by ethnic origin, including Roma and Indigenous Peoples, as well as on migrants, refugees and asylum-seekers. Updated economic and social indicators relating to the various groups living in the territory of the State Party, disaggregated by national or ethnic origin, gender and age, particularly in respect of Roma, Indigenous Peoples, people of African or Asian descent, and ethno-religious groups.<sup>2</sup>

#### The Convention in domestic law and the institutional and policy framework for its implementation (arts. 1, 2, 4 and 6)

3. Updated information on the implementation of the 2016 National Plan to Combat Racism, Similar Forms of Hostility and Hate Crime and the five specific action programmes adopted in June 2022.<sup>3</sup> Information on the Action Plan to Combat Racism and Hate Crime, adopted in December 2024, including on the monitoring mechanism, the consultation process and the resources allocated for its implementation.

4. Updated information on the implementation and scope of the national legislative framework to combat hate crimes and hate speech.<sup>4</sup> Information on measures taken to amend the national legislative framework to prohibit the organization of groups that promote and

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<sup>1</sup> A/65/18, para. 85.

<sup>2</sup> CERD/C/SWE/CO/22-23, para. 5; and CERD/C/SWE/24-25, paras. 3–10 and 49–52.

<sup>3</sup> CERD/C/SWE/24-25, paras. 78–111.

<sup>4</sup> CERD/C/SWE/CO/22-23, para. 11; and CERD/C/SWE/24-25, paras. 11–23.



incite racial hatred, in accordance with article 4 of the Convention, particularly in the light of the proposal of the all-party Committee on the Prohibition of Racist Organizations.<sup>5</sup>

5. Updated statistics and detailed information on complaints registered with the courts or any other national institution, including the Swedish Institute for Human Rights and the Equality Ombudsman, for acts of racial discrimination, racist hate speech and racist hate crimes, including over the Internet and through media outlets, and on the number of investigations, prosecutions and convictions of perpetrators.<sup>6</sup>

6. Information on measures taken to combat racist hate speech, including in political discourse, in the media and over the Internet.<sup>7</sup>

7. Information on measures taken to ensure that police and other law enforcement officers do not engage in racial discrimination, including racially motivated violence and practices that amount to racial profiling.<sup>8</sup>

#### **Situation of ethnic and ethno-religious groups (arts. 2, 3, 5 and 6)**

8. Information on the implementation and impacts of the Action Programme against Racism against Sami, the Action Programme against Afrophobia, the Action Programme against Antigypsyism, the Action Programme against Islamophobia and other measures taken, particularly special measures, to combat hate crimes, stereotypes and structural discrimination against ethnic groups, including Roma, Indigenous Peoples, people of African or Asian descent, and ethno-religious groups, and to guarantee their full and equal enjoyment of economic, social and cultural rights, particularly to address racial discrimination in schools, housing segregation, inequalities and discrimination in healthcare, employment and social services.<sup>9</sup>

9. Updated information on the implementation of the Strategy for Roma Inclusion (2012–2032). Information on measures taken to ensure that Roma children have equal access to quality education and measures to prevent forced evictions.<sup>10</sup>

10. Detailed information on amendments adopted in 2019 to the Act on National Minorities and Minority Languages and other measures to guarantee the access of children belonging to ethnic groups to quality education in their mother tongue without discrimination.<sup>11</sup>

11. Detailed information on the implementation and scope of the Act on Consultation in Matters of Special Importance to the Sami People, which entered into force in March 2022. Updated information on the national transitional justice process, particularly the report of the Truth and Reconciliation Commission for Tornedalians, Kvens and Lantalaïset and the ongoing work of the Truth Commission for the Sami People.<sup>12</sup>

#### **Situation of migrants, asylum-seekers, refugees and stateless persons (arts. 2 and 5)**

12. Information on the policy framework for migrants, asylum-seekers and refugees and on measures to ensure access to education, employment and healthcare services without discrimination to all persons under the State Party's jurisdiction.

13. Information on the amendments to the national legislative framework governing citizenship.

<sup>5</sup> CERD/C/SWE/CO/22-23, para. 13; and CERD/C/SWE/24-25, paras. 64–70.

<sup>6</sup> CERD/C/SWE/CO/22-23, para. 11; and CERD/C/SWE/24-25, paras. 24–30 and 40–52.

<sup>7</sup> CERD/C/SWE/CO/22-23, paras. 11, 19 and 23; and CERD/C/SWE/24-25, paras. 13, 184 and 185.

<sup>8</sup> CERD/C/SWE/CO/22-23, para. 27; and CERD/C/SWE/24-25, paras. 71 and 72.

<sup>9</sup> CERD/C/SWE/CO/22-23, paras. 15, 17, 19, 23 and 25; and CERD/C/SWE/24-25, paras. 56–58 and 78–176.

<sup>10</sup> CERD/C/SWE/CO/22-23, para. 25; and CERD/C/SWE/24-25, paras. 140–163.

<sup>11</sup> CERD/C/SWE/CO/22-23, paras. 17 and 25; and CERD/C/SWE/24-25, paras. 140–169.

<sup>12</sup> CERD/C/SWE/CO/22-23, para. 17; and CERD/C/SWE/24-25, paras. 164–176.

**Human rights education to combat prejudice and intolerance (art. 7)**

14. Updated information on the measures to promote human rights education, including on ways to combat racial discrimination, in school curricula, university programmes and teacher training programmes.<sup>13</sup> Information on measures to raise awareness among the general public, civil servants, law enforcement officials and members of the judicial authorities of the importance of cultural diversity, tolerance and inter-ethnic education.<sup>14</sup>

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<sup>13</sup> [CERD/C/SWE/24-25](#), paras. 179–185.

<sup>14</sup> [CERD/C/SWE/24-25](#), paras. 15–20 and 84.