CESCR 79th session

9 February - 6 March 2026



CESCR General Information

- CESCR 79th session website (Programme of work, information & links)
- **CESCR 79th session informative note**
 - Venue: Ground floor conference room, Palais Wilson, Geneva.
 - Accreditation*: To attend in person register via UNOG Indico at least 10 days before the session (space may be limited).
- Indico UN CESCR 79th session
 - Webcast: All public meetings are webcast live on webtv.un.org and archived.
- * OHCHR does not provide travel or accommodation support



Shadow Reports to CESCR

Shadow reports submitted to the Committee provide an alternative and valuable source of information for members before they formulate questions and recommendations to States.

- Can be submitted for LoIs, CoBs and Follow-up.
- Encouraged from NGOs, CSOs, coalitions, and NHRIs.
- Must be specific, reliable, objective, and concise (max 10 pages; 15 for coalitions).
- Submit via CESCR online submissions system.
 Online Submission platform CESCR 79th session
- Deadlines:
 - Lols: 10 weeks before session. Deadline: 28 November 2025
 - o CoBs: 4 weeks before session. Deadline: 13 January 2026
 - o Follow-up: 4 weeks before session. Deadline: 13 January 2026
- Language: English, French, or Spanish (translation into English recommended).

Content rules: No personal data, abusive language, or photos without consent.



CESCR Informal Briefings

An informal briefing is an opportunity for CSOs/NHRIs to present key issues to Committee members orally prior to the dialogue with the State, giving them crucial insights about the human rights situation in the country.

- For CoBs only (State Party dialogues).
- Only for CSOs/NHRIs that submitted reports.
- Coordination among CSOs is encouraged to maximize time.
- Indicate intention to participate when submitting reports.
- Remote participation is possible (no interpretation).