Joint Seminar

“Multilingualism in international organizations: which investments for which objectives?”

Room XII, Palais des Nations, Geneva
28 March 2011, 15:00 to 17:15

PROVISIONAL PROGRAMME

15:00 Welcome

- Mr. Sergei A. Ordzhonikidze, Director-General, United Nations Office at Geneva
- H.E. Mr. Ridha Bouabid, Ambassador, Permanent Observer, International Organization of la Francophonie

15:15 Introductory presentations

- Professor François Grin, University of Geneva: “Identifying and measuring the stakes: an economic perspective”
- H.E. Mr. Papa Louis Fall, Ambassador, Member of the Joint Inspection Unit of the United Nations System, Coordinator of the report “Situation of multilingualism in organizations of the United Nations system”

15:45 Panel discussion

- H.E. Mr. Saad Alfarargi, Ambassador, Permanent Observer, League of Arab States
- H.E. Mr. Rodolfo Reyes Rodríguez, Ambassador, Permanent Representative of the Republic of Cuba
- Mr. Ala Almoman, Focal Point on Multilingualism, United Nations Office at Geneva

16:20 Discussion with the audience

17:00 Concluding remarks

- H.E. Mr. Mohamed Siad Doualeh, Ambassador, Permanent Representative of the Republic of Djibouti and President of the Group of Francophone Ambassadors