



## **Additional background on the 2030 Agenda and human rights**

**With the adoption of the transformative and universally applicable 2030 Agenda, Member States challenged themselves to ensure that the SDGs are implemented in accordance with international law (para. 18), through an integrated and universal approach (para. 5). They further committed to “leave no one behind” and to “reach the furthest behind first” (para. 4).**

**Moreover, the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development sets out a vision for sustainable development grounded in international human rights standards (paras. 10, 18, 19, 67, 74), putting equality and non-discrimination at the centre of its efforts (paras. 3, 4, 48, 74) and encompassing not only economic and social rights but also civil, political, and cultural rights, as well as the right to development (paras. 13, 18, 55, 74).**



## Section A: Background

**A1. Name of institution responding to the survey**

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## **Section B: Integrated approaches to promote and protect human rights and implement the 2030 Agenda**

- B1. In your view, have we made progress in ensuring that national level SDG action is guided by human rights norms and standards including with regard to fighting discrimination and inequality and leaving no one behind? Please explain and share promising practices, lessons learned and remaining challenges.**

Information and examples can be found in the publications listed below.

- B2. Faced with the COVID-19 pandemic, countries have adopted economic and financial policies and measures to limit human rights setbacks and to bring countries back on track to achieve the SDGs? Can you share examples of promising practices where COVID-19 responses and recovery plans aimed at resuming SDG progress have been linked with human rights? What are key challenges and lessons learnt?**

Information and examples can be found in the publications listed below.

- B3. In your view, is progress being made to secure more meaningful and active participation of civil society and other stakeholders in SDG national level action (design, implementation and reporting)? Please share examples of promising practices as well as lessons learned and remaining challenges.**

Information and examples can be found in the publications listed below.



**B4. Is there any other information on integrated approaches to achieve the SDGs and the protection and promotion of human rights that you would like to share with us? Have you issued any recent publications on the issue that you would like to draw our attention to?**

Examples and guidance for integrated approaches in a COVID-19 context:

- A) "Protection of Human Rights and Progress in SDG 16+ of the 2030 Agenda: Good practices in Latin America and the Caribbean in response to COVID-19" (2021) <https://bit.ly/3wG0921>. The study presents a selection of good practices by different actors in Latin America and the Caribbean during the COVID-19 pandemic.
- B) "COVID-19 and inequality: guidance and resources for using human rights to build back equal" (2021) <https://bit.ly/3sTrvzB>
- C) "Towards a sustainable recovery from COVID-19 in Honduras" (2021) <https://bit.ly/3NxdU8V>.

Concrete case examples, guidance and tools for integrated approaches to human rights and SDGs general:

- D) "Indicators and data for human rights and sustainable development" (2022) <https://bit.ly/3LJI0d5>
- E) "Guide for NHRIs: Engaging with the Voluntary National Review of the 2030 Agenda" (2022) <https://bit.ly/39PvBSw>
- F) "Responsible business conduct as a cornerstone of the 2030 Agenda – a look at the implications" (2019) <https://bit.ly/3LPHY6s>
- G) "African National Human Rights Institutions and Sustainable Development: An Overview of Good Practice" (2019) <https://bit.ly/3PCoyx9>
- H) Database offering inspiration to companies on how to work efficiently with human rights due diligence while contributing to the realisation of the SDGs <https://biz.sdg.humanrights.dk/> and 4 other tools which can facilitate integrated approaches human rights and SDGs <https://bit.ly/3wQJiZt>

**Thank you for your contribution!**