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# ABOUT OHCHR PUBLICATIONS AND E-PRODUCTS

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The Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights (OHCHR) produces an extensive range of publications and e-products on a variety of human rights-related subjects. This broad portfolio provides information which should be of interest to governments, national human rights institutions, civil society, the private sector, academia and the general public, among other stakeholders. OHCHR publications and e-products aim to increase knowledge and raise awareness about human rights and fundamental freedoms, and publicize ways of promoting and protecting these rights worldwide. They also seek to encourage debate on topical human rights issues under discussion at the United Nations.

# FACT SHEETS

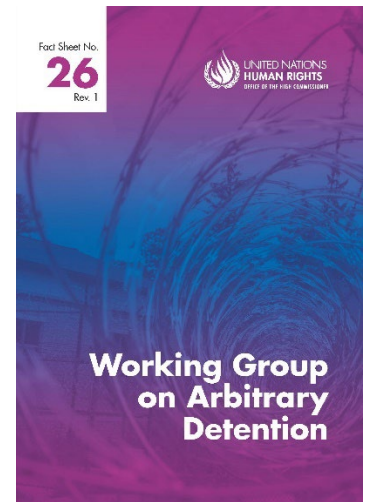
*Fact Sheets* provide information on a wide range of human rights subjects. By researching and focusing on an issue, *Fact Sheets* help the general public understand human rights and related topics, and the international machinery that has been established to promote and protect them.



## FACT SHEET NO. 26 (REV. 1) WORKING GROUP ON ARBITRARY DETENTION

This revised *Fact Sheet* explores the mandate and functioning of the [Working Group on Arbitrary Detention](#), established in 1991 by the United Nations Commission on Human Rights to investigate cases of arbitrary deprivation of liberty. The publication presents the various components of the Working Group's mandate, its procedures and operation, in addition to some of its relevant jurisprudence. It also explains how to submit a case to the Working Group and the criteria used by the Working Group to determine whether a detention is arbitrary. It further provides practical information on how to submit allegations of arbitrary detention and the relevant forms.

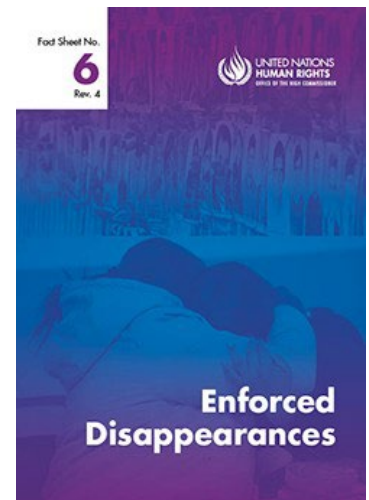
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## FACT SHEET NO. 6 (REV. 4) ENFORCED DISAPPEARANCES

Enforced disappearance has become a global problem and is not restricted to a specific region of the world. The enforced disappearance of persons infringes upon a range of human rights embodied in the Universal Declaration of Human Rights and set out in both International Covenants on human rights as well as in other major international human rights instruments. This *Fact Sheet* focuses on the International Convention for the Protection of all Persons From Enforced Disappearance, its international monitoring provisions. The publication discusses the establishment of the Working Group on Enforced or Involuntary Disappearances, in 1980, by the Commission on Human Rights and the Working Group's mandate to assist families in determining the fate and whereabouts of their relatives and monitoring implementation of the 1992 Declaration on the Protection of All Persons from Enforced Disappearance. The *Fact Sheet* also provides practical information about the role of the Working Group and includes the form for submitting a communication on a victim of an enforced or involuntary disappearance.

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## FACT SHEET NO. 38 FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS ON HUMAN RIGHTS AND CLIMATE CHANGE

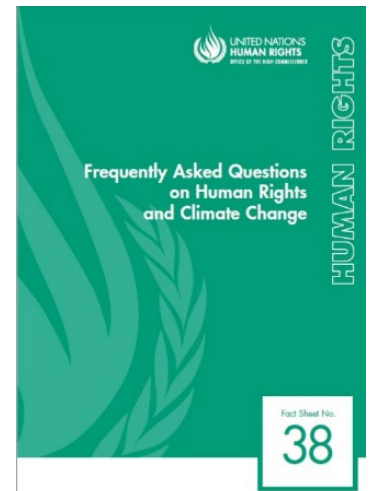
These *Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs) on Human Rights and Climate Change* provide the most comprehensive guidance on rights-based climate action issued by OHCHR to date, highlighting examples of climate litigation, the rights of future generations, and the role of international cooperation and solidarity in climate action. It also underscores how the global recognition of the human right to a safe, clean, healthy and sustainable environment may positively affect climate action. The publication offers recommendations for forward-looking, rights-compliant climate action at all levels – aimed at protecting both people and the planet from climate change in the years to come. It also provides an overview of the efforts of various human rights bodies to address climate change – and the role of the UN Framework Convention on Climate Change and its Conference of the Parties in promoting rights-based climate action. In addition, the FAQs build on the extensive research and advocacy work that OHCHR has undertaken on climate change since the adoption of the first Human Rights Council resolution on human rights and climate change in 2008.

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## FACT SHEET NO. 37 FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS ON THE RIGHT TO DEVELOPMENT

The Declaration on the Right to Development recognizes development as a comprehensive economic, social, cultural and political process, aimed at the constant improvement of the well-being of all individuals and peoples, on the basis of their participation in development and in the fair distribution of its benefits. Divergent understandings of the terms “development” and “right to development” have contributed to delaying progress in the implementation of the right to development. This *Fact Sheet* aims to demystify the right to development and to respond to some of the most commonly asked questions about this much misunderstood fundamental human right. While it is assumed that readers will already have basic knowledge about human rights, the *Fact Sheet* is intended to be accessible to a general audience.

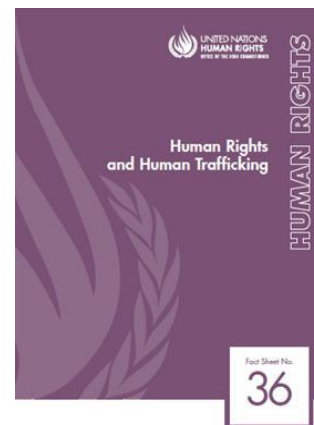
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## FACT SHEET NO. 36 HUMAN RIGHTS AND HUMAN TRAFFICKING

This *Fact Sheet* is divided into four chapters. Chapter I explores the definition of trafficking and its core elements. It also clears up some of the myths and misunderstandings. Chapter II considers the relationship between human rights and human trafficking. It identifies those human rights that are commonly affected by trafficking and considers the situation of special groups. It also summarizes what is involved in taking a human rights-based approach to trafficking. Chapter III turns to the obligations of States, for instance with reference to victim protection and support; repatriation and remedies; criminal justice responses; and prevention. Chapter IV considers how these obligations can be implemented and monitored. This new *Fact Sheet* is available in English, with translations into the other official United Nations languages also planned.

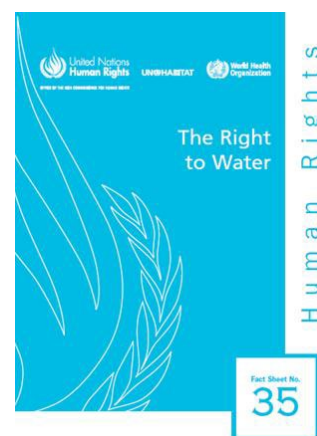
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## FACT SHEET NO. 35 THE RIGHT TO WATER (PUBLISHED JOINTLY WITH UN-HABITAT AND WHO)

This jointly issued *Fact Sheet* starts by explaining what the right to water is, illustrates what it means for specific individuals and groups, and then elaborates upon State obligations with respect to the right to water. It concludes with an overview of national, regional and international accountability and monitoring mechanisms.

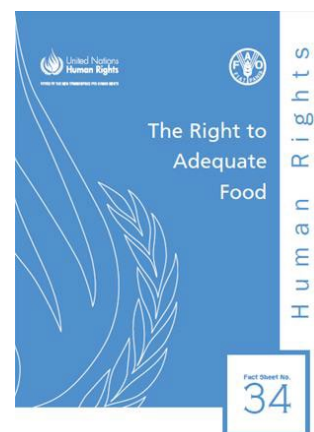
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## FACT SHEET NO. 34 THE RIGHT TO ADEQUATE FOOD (PUBLISHED JOINTLY WITH FAO)

This jointly issued *Fact Sheet* is an important technical tool for everyone working on the right to food and on its implementation at any level. Access to justice is recognized as an essential component of the Right to Food Guidelines and is essential to protect victims of violations of such right. The publication shows that traditional arguments against justiciability are outdated today and that access to justice therefore is possible. The publication provides different examples of access to justice at national, regional and international levels, and of judicial and quasi-judicial mechanisms to respect, protect and fulfil the right to food. In addition, this *Fact Sheet* also explains what the right to adequate food is, illustrates its implications for specific individuals and groups, and elaborates upon State parties' obligations with respect to this human right.

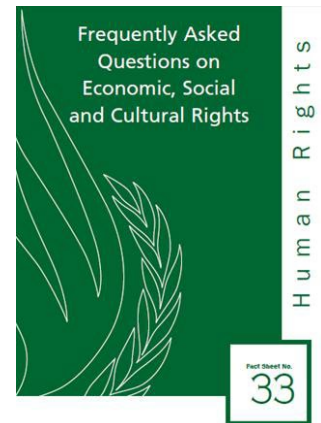
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### FACT SHEET NO. 33 FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS ON ECONOMIC, SOCIAL AND CULTURAL RIGHTS

This publication provides user-friendly guidance and responds to frequently asked questions about economic, social and cultural rights. The *Fact Sheet* includes issues related to the right to adequate food, adequate housing, education, health, social security, take part in cultural life, water and sanitation, and work.

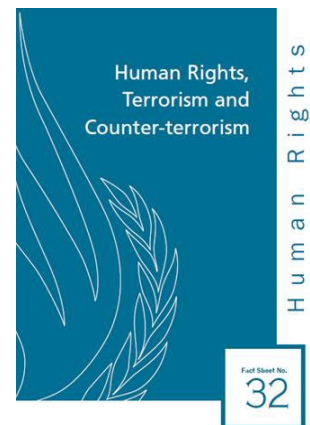
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### FACT SHEET NO. 32 HUMAN RIGHTS, TERRORISM AND COUNTER-TERRORISM

This *Fact Sheet* aims to strengthen understanding of the complex and multifaceted relationship between human rights and terrorism. It identifies some of the critical human rights issues raised in the context of terrorism and highlights the relevant human rights principles and standards which must be respected at all times and in particular in the context of counter-terrorism. Specifically, the *Fact Sheet* aims to raise awareness of the impact of terrorism and counter-terrorism on the enjoyment of all human rights; provide a practical tool for practitioners dealing with terrorism, counter-terrorism measures and human rights; provide guidance on ensuring compliance with human rights when countering terrorism; and illustrate specific human rights challenges in countering terrorism.

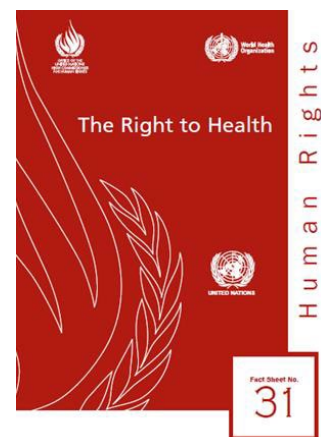
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### FACT SHEET NO. 31 THE RIGHT TO HEALTH (PUBLISHED JOINTLY WITH WHO)

The right to health is a fundamental part of our human rights and of our understanding of a life in dignity. This jointly issued *Fact Sheet* aims to shed light on the right to health in international human rights law as it currently stands, amidst the plethora of initiatives and proposals as to what the right to health may or should be. Consequently, it does not purport to provide an exhaustive list of relevant issues or to identify specific standards in relation to them. The *Fact Sheet* explains what the right to health is, illustrating its implications for specific individuals and groups, and then elaborates upon States' obligations with respect to the right. It ends with an overview of national, regional and international accountability and monitoring mechanisms.

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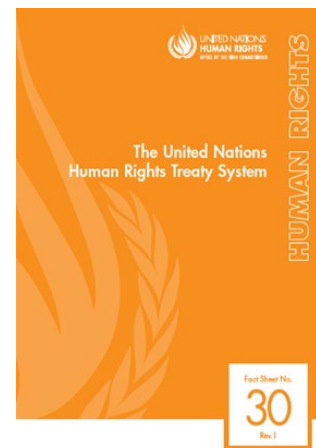




## FACT SHEET NO. 30 (REV. 1) THE UNITED NATIONS HUMAN RIGHTS TREATY SYSTEM

This *Fact Sheet* provides a general introduction to the core international human rights treaties and their committees. It shows to what extent they can, and do, function together as a single, holistic and integrated system for the promotion and protection of human rights around the world. Chapter I presents the nine core international human rights treaties currently in force and their optional protocols. Chapter II presents the work of their treaty bodies. Chapter III surveys the challenges facing the human rights treaty system. The *Fact Sheet* also contains a glossary of technical terms.

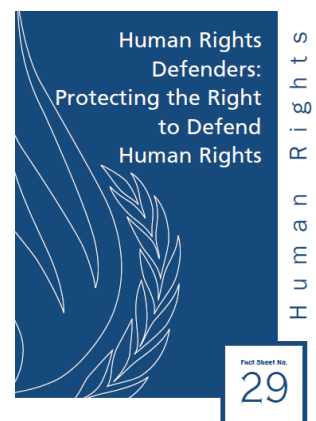
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## FACT SHEET NO. 29 HUMAN RIGHTS DEFENDERS: PROTECTING THE RIGHT TO DEFEND HUMAN RIGHTS

This *Fact Sheet* is intended to provide Governments and a wide range of professionals who frequently come into contact with human rights defenders with a rapid understanding of what a “human rights defender” is and what activities defenders undertake; to support the right to defend human rights; to strengthen the protection of human rights defenders from any repercussions of their work; to provide a tool for human rights defenders in conducting advocacy and training activities. The *Fact Sheet* also contains a brief analysis of the Declaration on the Right and Responsibility of Individuals, Groups and Organs of Society to Promote and Protect Universally Recognized Human Rights and Fundamental Freedoms and provides an introduction to the activities and methods of work of the Special Representative of the Secretary-General of the United Nations on human rights defenders.

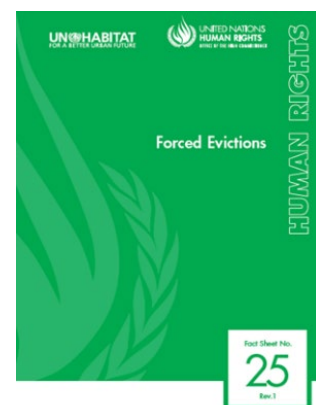
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## FACT SHEET NO. 25 (REV. 1) FORCED EVICTIONS (PUBLISHED JOINTLY WITH UN-HABITAT)

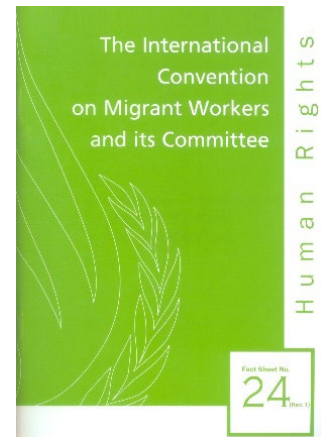
This jointly issued *Fact Sheet* examines the prohibition on forced evictions under the international human rights framework, specific obligations of States and others to refrain from and prohibit forced evictions, and how, when violations of rights and obligations do occur, there can be accountability and remedies.

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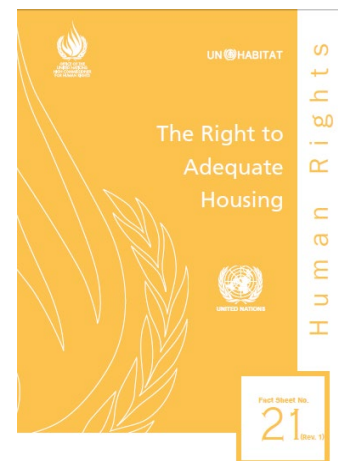
## FACT SHEET NO. 24 (REV. 1) THE INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION ON MIGRANT WORKERS AND ITS COMMITTEE

On 1 July 2003, the International Convention on the Protection of the Rights of All Migrant Workers and Members of Their Families entered into force. The Convention is a comprehensive international treaty focusing on the protection of migrant workers' rights. It emphasizes the link between migration and human rights – a policy topic that is drawing increasing attention worldwide. This *Fact Sheet* provides information on the drafting history of the Convention; its structure and main features and provisions; the Committee established to monitor its application; how the Convention relates to other international instruments; and explores developments and initiatives to promote and defend the rights of migrant workers. **ISSN:** 1014-5567 **Publication date:** 2005 **Languages:** Arabic • Chinese • English • French • Spanish **Formats:** Print (A5, soft cover) • Electronic ([OHCHR website](#))



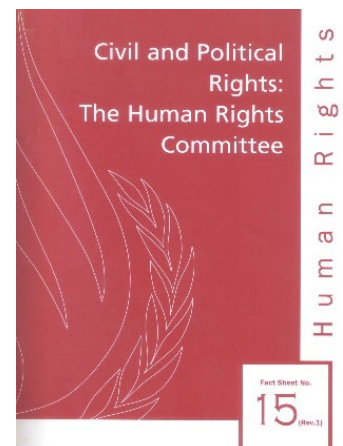
## FACT SHEET NO. 21 (REV. 1) THE RIGHT TO ADEQUATE HOUSING (PUBLISHED JOINTLY WITH UN-HABITAT)

International human rights law recognizes everyone's right to an adequate standard of living, including adequate housing. Despite the central place of this right within the global legal system, well over a billion people are not adequately housed. This jointly issued *Fact Sheet* is the second in a series of joint publications by OHCHR with other United Nations partners focusing on economic, social and cultural rights. This *Fact Sheet* starts by explaining what the right to adequate housing is, illustrates what it means for specific individuals and groups, and then elaborates upon States' related obligations. It concludes with an overview of national, regional and international accountability and monitoring mechanisms. **ISSN:** 1014-5567 **Publication date:** November 2009 **Languages:** Arabic • Chinese • English • French • Russian • Spanish **Formats:** Print (A5, soft cover) • Electronic ([OHCHR website](#))



## FACT SHEET NO. 15 (REV. 1) CIVIL AND POLITICAL RIGHTS: THE HUMAN RIGHTS COMMITTEE

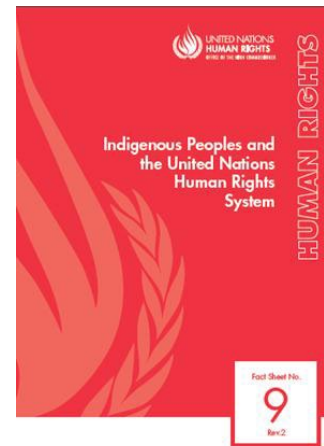
This *Fact Sheet* provides an introduction to the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights and its two Optional Protocols, the texts of which are annexed. It also describes the work of the Human Rights Committee, which should not be confused with the Commission on Human Rights, nor should it be understood as a "global" body that addresses all human rights described in all the treaties. Rather, the *Fact Sheet* explains that the Human Rights Committee is a committee on civil and political rights, which is responsible for oversight of the implementation of the civil and political rights set out in the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights. **ISSN:** 1014-5567 **Publication date:** May 2005 **Languages:** Arabic • Chinese • English • French • Russian • Spanish **Formats:** Print (A5, soft cover) • Electronic ([OHCHR website](#))



## FACT SHEET NO. 9 (REV. 2) INDIGENOUS PEOPLES AND THE UNITED NATIONS HUMAN RIGHTS SYSTEM

This *Fact Sheet* provides a reader-friendly overview of the United Nations human rights system and the rights of indigenous peoples. It begins by defining indigenous peoples and providing a summary of indigenous peoples' rights. The *Fact Sheet* also provides an overview of the international human rights bodies and mechanisms, activities of OHCHR and regional human rights systems that aim to protect the human rights of indigenous peoples. Further, the publication includes a summary of the work of United Nations agencies, beyond the human rights framework, engaged in indigenous peoples' issues and further sources of information on the subject.

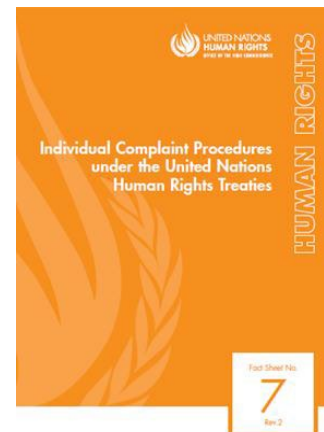
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## FACT SHEET NO. 7 (REV. 2) INDIVIDUAL COMPLAINT PROCEDURES UNDER THE UNITED NATIONS HUMAN RIGHTS TREATIES

This *Fact Sheet* explains the procedures open to individuals who claim to be victims of violations of rights contained in international human rights treaties. It also looks at complaints that are brought under international human rights treaties. Since the early 1970s international complaint mechanisms have developed apace, and individuals can now bring claims to the United Nations concerning violations of their rights contained in the nine so-called "core" human rights treaties. The first chapter describes the typical features of a complaint under any of the nine treaties in general. The second chapter describes the aspects of the individual treaties that deviate from the general norm. The publication also includes various model forms and a user-friendly checklist for the submission of complaints under the nine treaties.

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# TRAINING AND EDUCATION

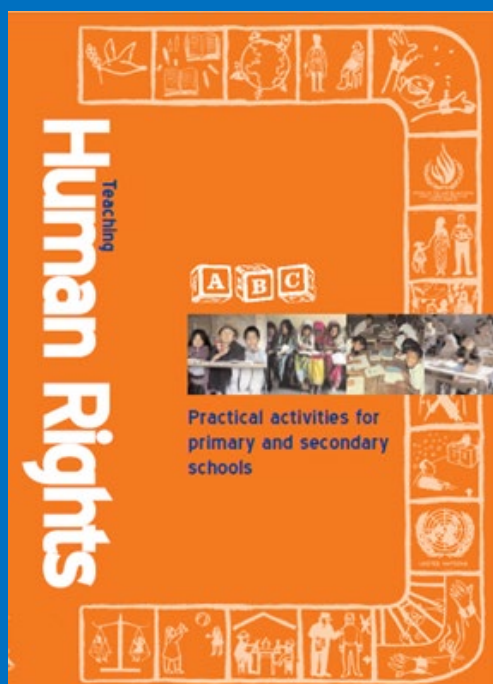
Training and Education publications consist of guides, manuals and handbooks for indigenous peoples, minorities, professional groups (e.g. police, prison officials, judges, parliamentarians, human rights monitors, election monitors and social workers) and educational institutions.



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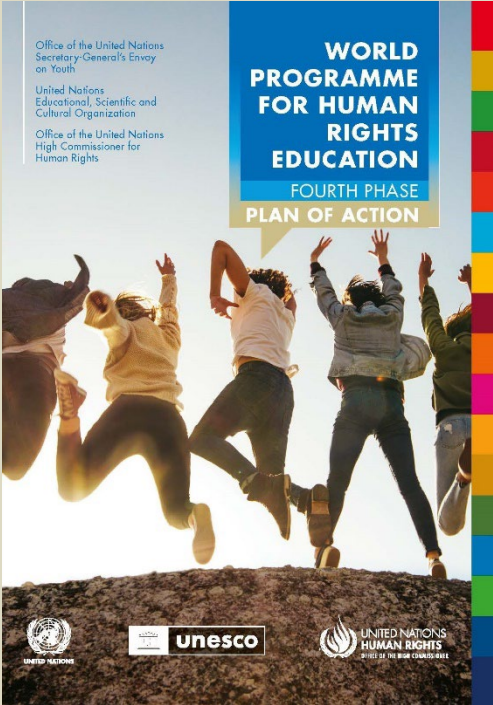
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# Human Rights Education Series

This series consists of publications and multimedia resources aimed at supporting general human rights education efforts. It includes guidance material on the World Programme for Human Rights Education and related methodological and reference tools.



**CHANGEMAKERS: STORIES OF YOUNG HUMAN RIGHTS EDUCATORS**  
(PRODUCED JOINTLY WITH AMNESTY INTERNATIONAL AND SOKA GAKKAI INTERNATIONAL)

This multimedia educational tool was released to mark the 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights. It was co-produced by OHCHR, Amnesty International and Soka Gakkai International and pays tribute to young educators who empower other young people to advocate for equality, respect, and dignity for all.

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**A PATH TO DIGNITY: THE POWER OF HUMAN RIGHTS EDUCATION**  
(PRODUCED JOINTLY WITH HUMAN RIGHTS EDUCATION ASSOCIATES AND SOKA GAKKAI INTERNATIONAL)

*A Path to Dignity: The Power of Human Rights Education* is a 28-minute film that illustrates the impact of human rights education on school children in India, law enforcement agencies in Australia, and women victims of violence in Turkey (produced jointly with Human Rights Education Associates and Soka Gakkai International).

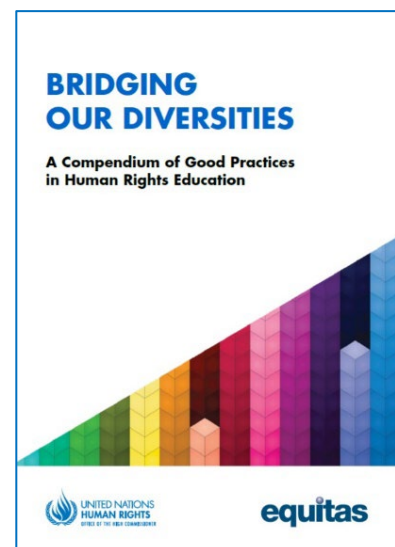
**Languages:** Arabic • Chinese • English • French • Russian • Spanish  
**Format:** CD-ROM (with packaging and discussion questions) • Electronic (OHCHR website and dedicated web page: [www.path-to-dignity.org](http://www.path-to-dignity.org))



**BRIDGING OUR DIVERSITIES: A COMPENDIUM OF GOOD PRACTICES IN HUMAN RIGHTS EDUCATION** (PUBLISHED JOINTLY WITH EQUITAS)

Jointly published by OHCHR and Equitas-International Centre for Human Rights Education, *Bridging Our Diversities: A Compendium of Good Practices in Human Rights Education* provides guidance on human rights education programming. It builds on mapping, research and analysis conducted in the organization and follow-up to an international Conference organized by OHCHR, Equitas and other partners in 2017. The *Compendium* presents good practices, lessons learnt and examples of specific projects aiming at implementing human rights education on a number of thematic areas, such as addressing global challenges, promoting gender equality, building equitable and inclusive communities, supporting reconciliation with Indigenous Peoples, conducting evaluation and engaging decision makers.

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## THE RIGHT TO HUMAN RIGHTS EDUCATION: A COMPILATION OF PROVISIONS OF INTERNATIONAL AND REGIONAL INSTRUMENTS DEALING WITH HUMAN RIGHTS EDUCATION

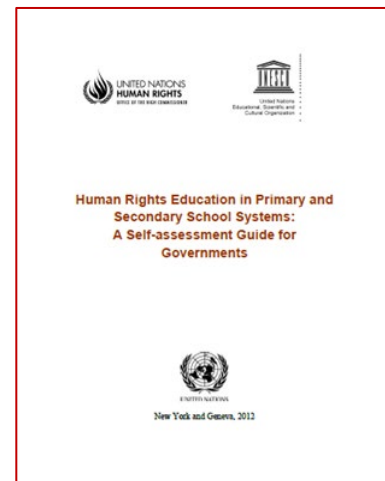
This compilation includes provisions that outline the human rights education commitments made by States in the context of international and regional intergovernmental forums, and which provide the basis for the right to human rights education. The compilation comprises texts or excerpts from international and regional instruments and documents dealing with human rights education, as well as general comments/recommendations of relevant bodies clarifying those provisions, organized by organization, in chronological order of adoption. It was coordinated by OHCHR, on behalf of the International Contact Group on Citizenship and Human Rights Education, with contributions from numerous organizations and regional bodies.

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## HUMAN RIGHTS EDUCATION IN PRIMARY AND SECONDARY SCHOOL SYSTEMS: A SELF-ASSESSMENT GUIDE FOR GOVERNMENTS (PUBLISHED JOINTLY WITH UNESCO)

This *Self-assessment Guide* aims to assist Member States in increasing teaching and learning about human rights throughout primary and secondary education, as a key component of achieving quality education for all. The *Guide* builds on the *Plan of Action for the First Phase (2005–2009) of the World Programme for Human Rights Education*, developed by experts and practitioners in human rights education in primary and secondary schools. While the first phase ended in 2009, numerous challenges remain and the World Programme, therefore, encourages Member States to continue their efforts to implement human rights education in primary and secondary school systems.

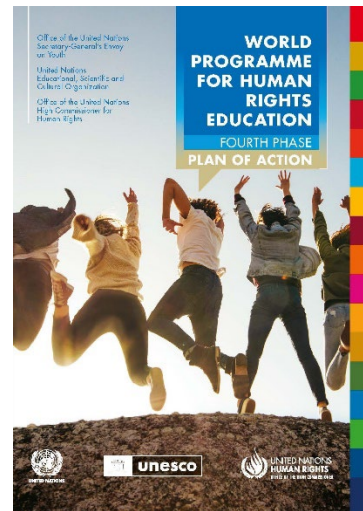
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## PLAN OF ACTION FOR THE FOURTH PHASE OF THE WORLD PROGRAMME FOR HUMAN RIGHTS EDUCATION (PUBLISHED JOINTLY WITH UNESCO AND OSGEY)

The fourth phase (2020-2024) of the World Programme for Human Rights Education focuses on youth empowerment through human rights education, in line with the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, and specifically target 4.7 of the Sustainable Development Goals. This publication, jointly prepared by the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights (OHCHR), the Office of the United Nations Secretary-General's Envoy on Youth (OSGEY) and the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO), provides guidance to develop, as agreed internationally, a comprehensive human rights education strategy for youth at the national level, to be adapted to national contexts. It lays out objectives, components, actions and practical steps for implementation with a focus on young people as key actors of the whole process.

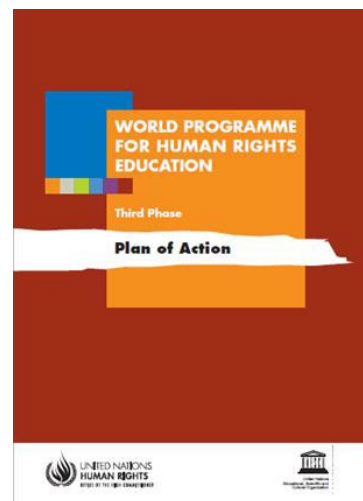
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## PLAN OF ACTION FOR THE THIRD PHASE OF THE WORLD PROGRAMME FOR HUMAN RIGHTS EDUCATION (PUBLISHED JOINTLY WITH UNESCO)

The World Programme's third phase (2015-2019) focuses on strengthening implementation of the first two phases of the programme. It also seeks to promote human rights training for media professionals and journalists. This *Third Phase* publication outlines the plan of action dedicated to achieving these objectives, as per the October 2013 Human Rights Council resolution.

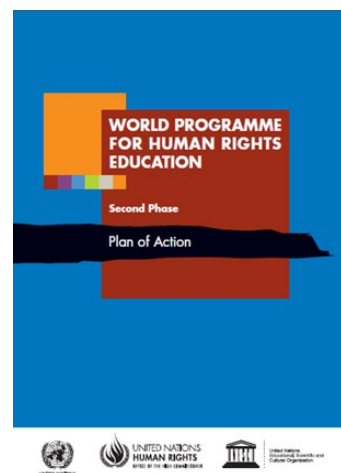
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## PLAN OF ACTION FOR THE SECOND PHASE OF THE WORLD PROGRAMME FOR HUMAN RIGHTS EDUCATION (PUBLISHED JOINTLY WITH UNESCO)

The *Second Phase* publication proposes a concrete strategy and practical ideas for integrating human rights education effectively in higher education and in the training of civil servants, law enforcement officials and the military. The *Plan of Action* was adopted by the United Nations Human Rights Council on 30 September 2010.

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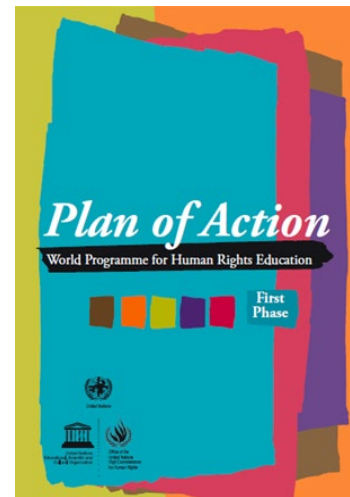




## PLAN OF ACTION FOR THE FIRST PHASE OF THE WORLD PROGRAMME FOR HUMAN RIGHTS EDUCATION (PUBLISHED JOINTLY WITH UNESCO)

The *Plan of Action for the First Phase (2005-2007) of the World Programme* was adopted by all United Nations Member States in July 2005. It proposes a concrete strategy and practical guidance for implementing human rights education in primary and secondary schools.

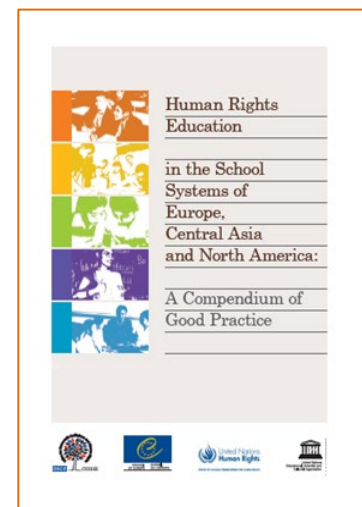
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## HUMAN RIGHTS EDUCATION IN THE SCHOOL SYSTEMS OF EUROPE, CENTRAL ASIA AND NORTH AMERICA: A COMPENDIUM OF GOOD PRACTICE (PUBLISHED JOINTLY WITH OSCE/ODIHR, COE AND UNESCO)

This publication is a compilation of 101 examples of good practice in human rights education in primary schools, secondary schools and teacher training institutions in the Organization for Security and Co-operation in Europe area, which is also covered by the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization, the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights and, partially, the geographical mandate of the Council of Europe. The publication aims to support quality teaching in these areas and to inspire educational policymakers (those working in education ministries and local school boards) and administrators, teachers, teacher trainers, non-formal educators and all other interested actors, as well as to facilitate networking and the exchange of experience among education professionals.

Ref.: No. 6, HR/PUB/09/3 Publication date: 2009 Languages: English (print and CD-ROM) • French (print) • Russian (print) Formats: Print (A4, soft cover) • Electronic (OHCHR website and CD-ROM with examples of practices)

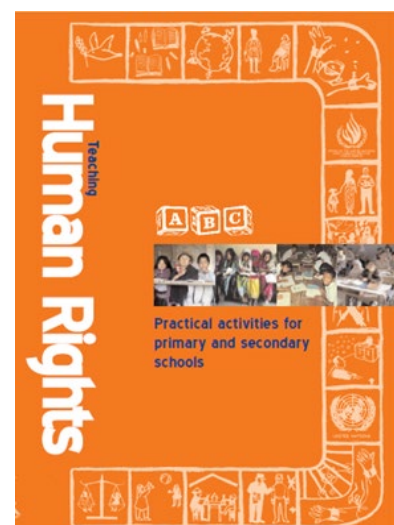


## ABC – TEACHING HUMAN RIGHTS: PRACTICAL ACTIVITIES FOR PRIMARY AND SECONDARY SCHOOLS

### SALES PUBLICATION

*ABC – Teaching Human Rights* aims to serve as a user-friendly tool for human rights education and a multi-coloured umbrella covering a number of basic human rights areas. It offers practical advice to teachers and other educators who want to foster human rights awareness and action among primary and secondary school children, including suggestions for developing learning activities. It is not meant to place an extra burden on an already overloaded curriculum but to assist in infusing human rights issues into subjects already taught in schools.

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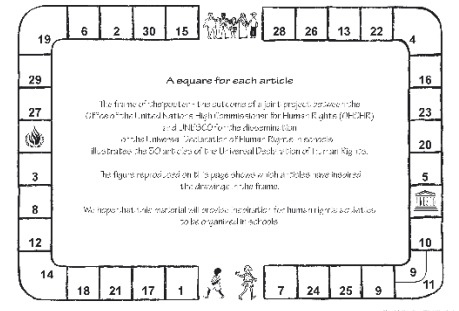
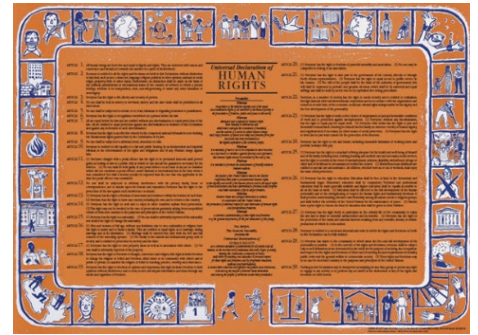


## UNIVERSAL DECLARATION OF HUMAN RIGHTS GAME (PUBLISHED JOINTLY WITH UNESCO)

This game aims to support human rights education activities with children. It consists of a **poster** – the outcome of a joint project between OHCHR and UNESCO for the dissemination of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights in schools – which illustrates the 30 articles of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights with appealing illustrations, and an **explanatory sheet** matching the illustrations with the corresponding articles.

**Publication date:** 2004 **Languages:** Arabic • English • French • Spanish  
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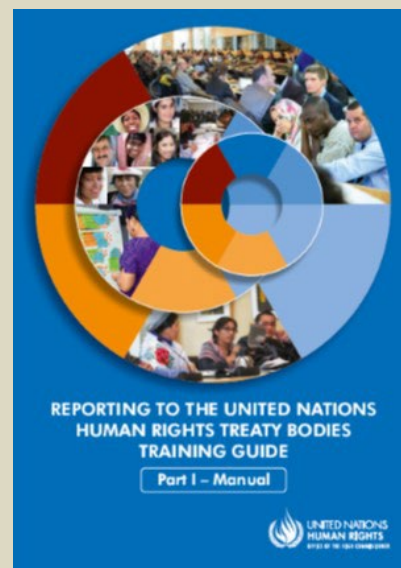
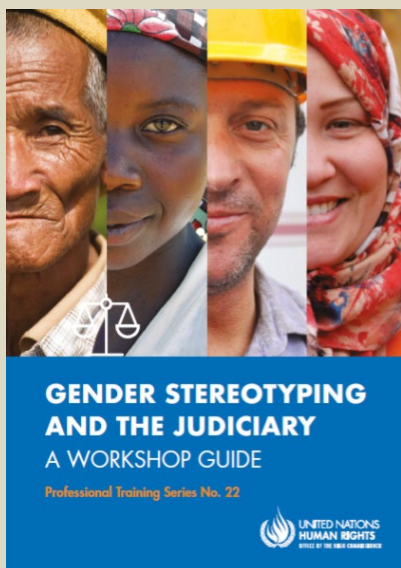
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**Formats (accompanying explanatory sheet – white):** Electronic ([OHCHR website](#)) and print (A4)



# Professional Training Series

This series consists of handbooks and manuals intended to raise awareness of international standards. It is aimed at audiences that are able to influence the human rights situation in their countries. Although primarily designed to support OHCHR training activities, these publications also serve as practical tools for organizations that provide human rights education to professional groups.

The training manuals in this series are, by design, adaptable to the needs and experience, in terms of culture, education and history, of a range of potential audiences within the target group. Where appropriate, information on effective pedagogical techniques is included to help trainers use the manuals as effectively as possible. Each manual or handbook is prepared with the assistance of experts and is subject to extensive external review and appraisal.

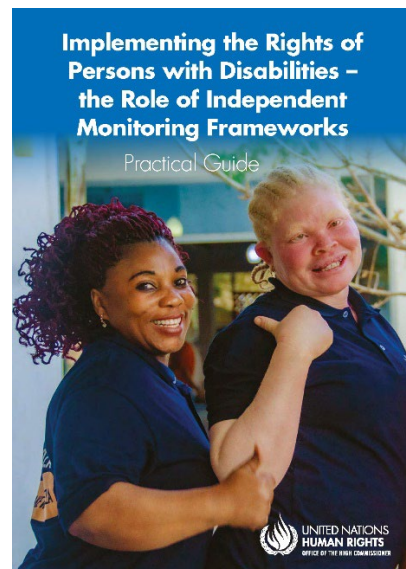


## IMPLEMENTING THE RIGHTS OF PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES – THE ROLE OF INDEPENDENT MONITORING FRAMEWORKS: PRACTICAL GUIDE

This practical guide is aimed at assisting States parties to the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities and other stakeholders, including national human rights institutions and civil society, in understanding the key criteria for the establishment and functioning of independent monitoring frameworks in accordance with the requirements of the Convention and the jurisprudence of the Committee on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities. The guide addresses key aspects of independent monitoring frameworks through a series of 11 questions related to the purpose and key aspects of independent monitoring frameworks in monitoring the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities at the national level, including the requirement of independence and the structure, mandate and composition of the frameworks. The guide responds to frequently asked questions on the establishment and functioning of the frameworks, their interaction with other human rights mechanisms, the participation of persons with disabilities and their representative organizations in monitoring the Convention and key elements of monitoring the rights of persons with disabilities under the Convention. The publication also provides examples to assist stakeholders in establishing, operating and engaging in independent monitoring under the Convention.

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Publication date: December 2023 Language: English (French and Spanish editions forthcoming) Formats: Electronic PDF and accessible version for persons with disabilities (ePUB) on the [OHCHR website](#), and print (limited copies available)



## BECOMING A PARTY TO THE INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION FOR THE PROTECTION OF ALL PERSONS FROM ENFORCED DISAPPEARANCE – PRACTICAL GUIDE

### SALES PUBLICATION

This practical guide aims to assist States as they move towards becoming parties to the Convention for the Protection of all Persons against Enforced Disappearance, and to promote the universal ratification of this key Convention. It provides answers to questions commonly raised by States when considering this commitment, and a toolkit to encourage and support States in joining the community of parties committed to prevent and eradicate enforced disappearances and fight against the impunity of this heinous crime. The publication complements OHCHR's *Manual on Reporting Under the International Convention for the Protection of All Persons from Enforced Disappearance* (which includes a Training Guide and accompanying training modules).

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## TOWARDS A HUMAN RIGHTS-BASED APPROACH TO MIGRATION: TRAINING GUIDE

### SALES PUBLICATION

This *Training Guide* is designed to enable participants to understand the human rights perspective on migration, and how human rights laws and standards can be operationalized to make migration safer and an empowering experience for all. It provides an introduction to related principles and issues and is designed for persons with limited knowledge of human rights or migration.

The *Training Guide* contains session plans for the trainer and is supported by sample slide presentations and associated materials, including activities and handouts for participants, which are available electronically as individual components on the OHCHR website.

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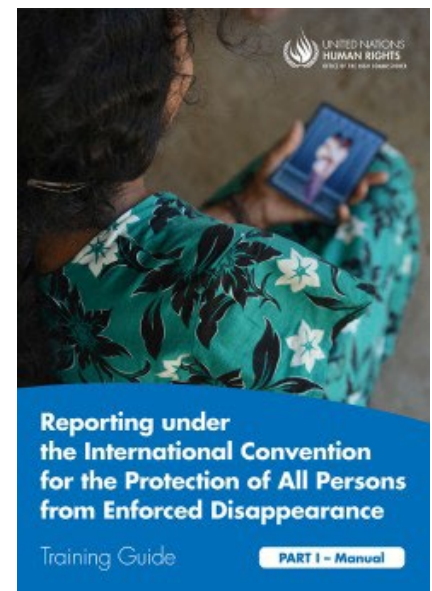
## REPORTING UNDER THE INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION FOR THE PROTECTION OF ALL PERSONS FROM ENFORCED DISAPPEARANCES: TRAINING GUIDE (PART I – MANUAL)

### SALES PUBLICATION

This *Training Guide* seeks to assist States parties in meeting their obligations to respect, protect and fulfil the rights enshrined in the Convention for the Protection of all Persons against Enforced Disappearances. The *Manual*, which is the first part of the *Training Guide*, outlines the provisions of the Convention and provides useful guidance on the content and scope of the rules of procedure and the working methods of the Committee on Enforced Disappearances, as well as reporting obligations under the Convention. The publication draws on the wealth of experience acquired by the Committee over the years. It highlights practical examples on the submission of information and data under the Convention and the successful implementation of Committee's recommendations. These examples would be of use to States parties and, in particular, to those involved in the delivery of training courses on reporting to the Committee and on the implementation of the Convention. By promoting a greater understanding of the provisions of the Convention, the *Training Guide* aims to provide guidance and support to reporting States as to the content of reports and the implementation of recommendations.

The *Manual* is complemented by training materials ([Part II](#)), tailored to each of the Convention's rights (available on the OHCHR website).

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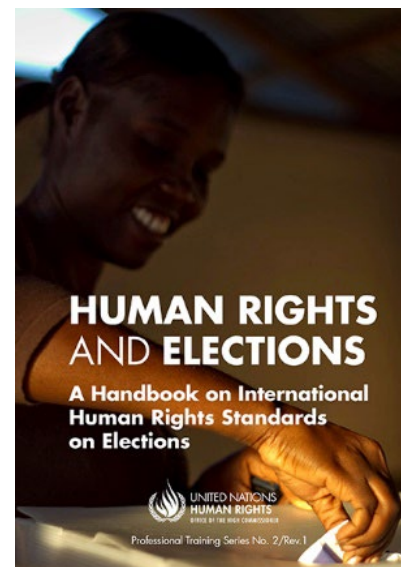


## HUMAN RIGHTS AND ELECTIONS: A HANDBOOK ON INTERNATIONAL HUMAN RIGHTS STANDARDS ON ELECTIONS

### SALES PUBLICATION

With hundreds of references to the jurisprudence of United Nations human rights mechanisms, this *Handbook* provides human rights and electoral practitioners with a clear picture of the close interplay between elections and international human rights law. The *Handbook* discusses international human rights standards regarding electoral processes and political participation, and how these standards apply to specific aspects of elections. Current issues such as gender-based violence in politics, disinformation and data manipulation, and the impact of Internet shutdowns are considered in the light of international human rights law and the recommendations of United Nations experts.

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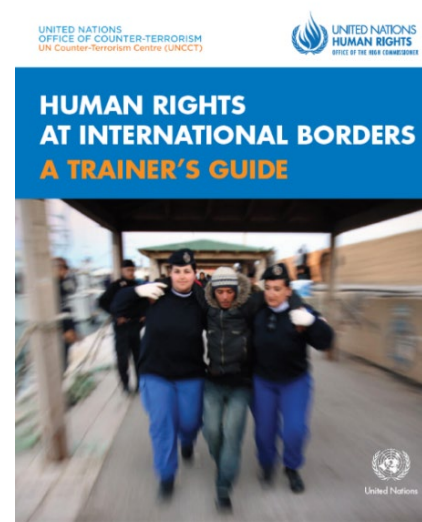


## HUMAN RIGHTS AT INTERNATIONAL BORDERS: A TRAINER'S GUIDE (PUBLISHED JOINTLY WITH THE OFFICE ON COUNTER-TERRORISM)

### SALES PUBLICATION

The *Trainer's Guide* seeks to help trainers prepare, organize and deliver a training course on "Human Rights at International Borders". The course itself is a capacity-building tool for individuals working in border governance to adopt a human rights-based and gender-responsive approach to migration governance, including with a focus on migrants in vulnerable situations at international borders. The *Trainer's Guide* is designed to support the work of OHCHR and the Office of Counter-Terrorism staff in the field and at Headquarters. It is also intended for use by staff of United Nations entities, international and regional organizations, including members of the United Nations Network on Migration, government officials, national human rights institutions, non-governmental organizations, trade unions, other relevant civil society actors and humanitarian actors. The *Trainer's Guide* proposes an interactive training methodology based on a practical approach and provides background explanations, including legal sources, on the human rights principles and guidelines that pertain to the work of border officials, with particular reference to their interactions with migrants. Trainers are encouraged to adapt the information in the Guide and accompanying materials, to plan and design a course that meets the needs of border officials in their particular context. The *Trainer's Guide* is complemented by presentation slides and course materials that have been developed for use in training courses or as a general information resource on the subject (available on the OHCHR website).

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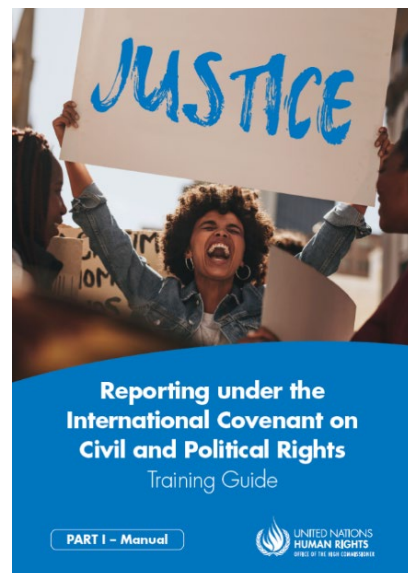


## REPORTING UNDER THE INTERNATIONAL COVENANT ON CIVIL AND POLITICAL RIGHTS: TRAINING GUIDE (PART I – MANUAL)

### SALES PUBLICATION

The publication seeks to assist States parties in fulfilling their reporting obligations under the Covenant. It also aims to facilitate an understanding of the rights enshrined in the Covenant and the corresponding obligations of the States parties in respecting, protecting and fulfilling these rights. The Manual, which forms the first part of the Reporting under the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights: Training Guide, is based on the provisions of the Covenant, the Committee's general comments, its jurisprudence on individual communications and its concluding observations on State party reports, as well as its reporting guidelines, rules of procedure, working methods and other documents. The publication provides States parties with practical tools to enhance their reporting skills with respect to the Covenant and their capacity to implement the Committee's recommendations of the Committee addressed to them. The Manual also serves as an analytical information and training tool for trainers who intend to design and deliver training courses on reporting to the Committee on the implementation of the provisions of the Covenant. The Manual will be complemented by training materials, tailored to each of the Covenant's rights (to be made available on the OHCHR website).

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## GENDER STEREOTYPING AND THE JUDICIARY: A WORKSHOP GUIDE

The *Workshop Guide* provides guidance on organizing and holding training courses to raise awareness among judges at the national or regional level about the role of the judiciary in addressing wrongful gender stereotyping. The publication includes a suggested programme and methodology, as well as a detailed outline for several sessions with presentation slides, notes and exercises that may be adapted to different contexts and needs.

The publication, which draws on several studies conducted by OHCHR, focuses on gender stereotyping in cases related to sexual and reproductive health and rights and gender-based violence. The Workshop Guide is complemented by training sessions for use in training courses or as a general information resource on eliminating judicial gender stereotyping (available on the OHCHR website).

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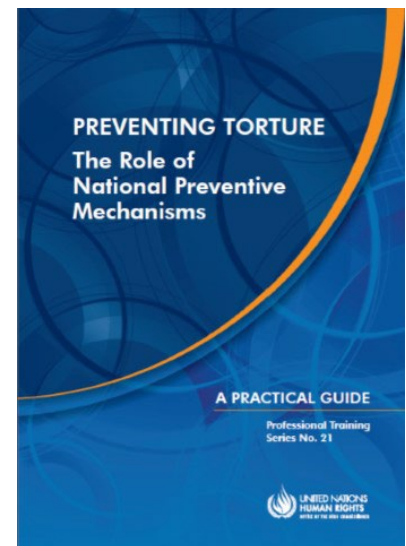


## PREVENTING TORTURE – THE ROLE OF NATIONAL PREVENTIVE MECHANISMS: A PRACTICAL GUIDE

### SALES PUBLICATION

This *Practical Guide* was developed in the context of the OHCHR Treaty Body Capacity Building Programme, established by General Assembly Resolution 68/268 to support States parties in building their capacity to implement their treaty obligations, in this case, their obligations under the Optional Protocol. The *Guide* seeks to respond to key questions frequently asked about National Preventive Mechanisms (NPMs), and to explain the four core functions of the mechanisms – visiting, providing advice, enhancing cooperation and educating – which are key to their effective functioning. It also includes checklists and other guidance offering practical tools to aid their performance. The *Guide* aims to assist both States planning to establish or seeking to strengthen their NPMs, as well as the staff of the NPMs themselves. It should also be useful to experts and professionals involved in the prevention and combating of torture, civil society organizations and the general public. The publication builds on the recommendations of the UN Subcommittee on Prevention of Torture (SPT) relating to NPMs, which are contained in the SPT's reports on country visits undertaken as part of its mandate, as well as key SPT documents on NPMs (annexed to the *Guide*).

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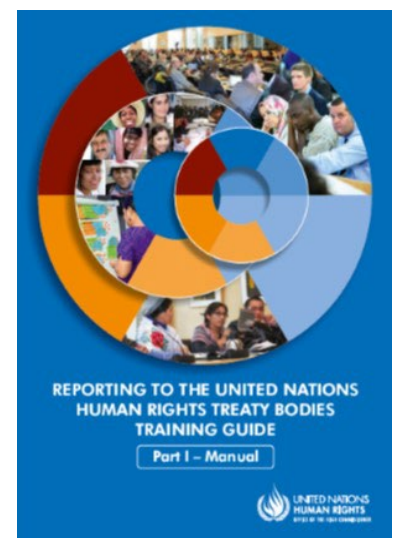


## REPORTING TO THE UNITED NATIONS HUMAN RIGHTS TREATY BODIES: TRAINING GUIDE (PART I)

This *Training Guide* aims to equip training facilitators with the knowledge, tools and resources needed to develop a training course on reporting to the United Nations human rights Treaty Bodies. Its objective is to assist them in developing national capacities in, and knowledge of, the United Nations human rights treaty system, in particular the reporting process and the roles of different stakeholders therein; and in strengthening the capacity of States parties to fulfil their human rights treaty reporting obligations and engage with the United Nations human rights Treaty Bodies in a sustainable and meaningful way. The *Training Guide* is divided into two parts, which complement each other. Facilitators should refer to both parts whenever preparing a training course on treaty reporting.

*Part I – the Manual* – has been designed as a support for facilitators in advance of training sessions, as it provides them with condensed information, organized in chapters, on the UN human rights system and detailed information on the Treaty Bodies' reporting process, including procedures, requirements, and the roles of different stakeholders. It also contains chapters on the preparation of reports at the national level and on national mechanisms on reporting and follow-up. The *Manual* also serves as a general source of information for all actors playing a role in the reporting process.

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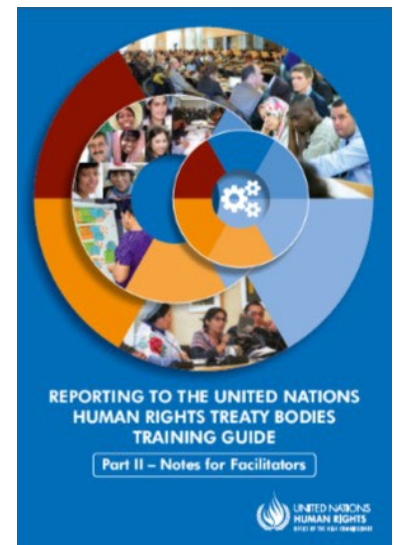




## REPORTING TO THE UNITED NATIONS HUMAN RIGHTS TREATY BODIES: TRAINING GUIDE (PART II)

This publication constitutes the second part of the *Reporting to the United Nations Human Rights Treaty Bodies: Training Guide*. *Part II – the Notes for Facilitators* – closely follows the structure of *Part I*. It has been designed to assist facilitators in preparing and delivering a training course on treaty reporting, intended ideally for relatively small groups of a maximum of 25 participants. After two preliminary sections containing suggestions for, respectively, planning a training course and organizing its opening session, *Part II* proposes interactive training sessions covering the information contained in all the chapters of *Part I*. A closing session is also proposed. The training sessions comprise a mix of presentation slides and group activities, and include different training components: facilitator's notes, session plans, presentations, videos, quizzes and so forth. The sessions are based on the OHCHR training methodology for human rights training. This methodology is interactive and promotes a participatory approach. It is important that facilitators respect and use this approach to encourage enriching discussions and exchange of information and experience with and between the participants.

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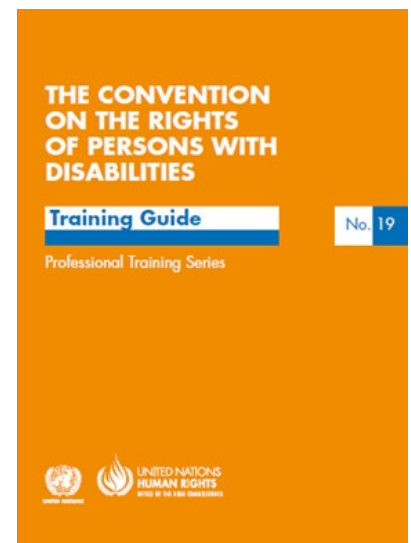


## THE CONVENTION ON THE RIGHTS OF PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES: TRAINING GUIDE

### SALES PUBLICATION

This *Training Guide* is mainly targeted at facilitators of training courses and others who already have knowledge of the international human rights system and are called upon to provide training on the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities and its Optional Protocol. It is complemented by eight training modules, designed to inform and empower those involved in ratifying, implementing and monitoring the two instruments. The complete training package can be used to develop a training course on the Convention and/or the Optional Protocol, but is also helpful as a general information resource on these instruments.

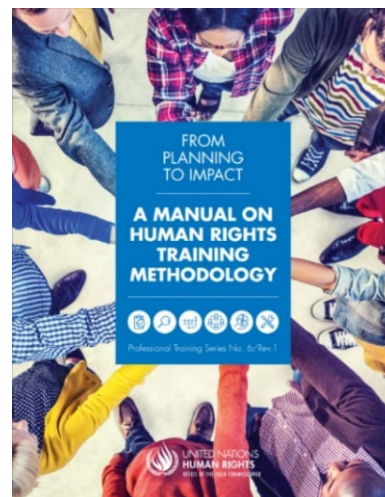
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## FROM PLANNING TO IMPACT: A MANUAL ON HUMAN RIGHTS TRAINING METHODOLOGY

### SALES PUBLICATION

This *Manual* provides practical guidance on all phases of the human rights training cycle – including planning, designing, organizing, delivering training and conducting follow-up activities. It includes practical guidance as well as tools which can be easily adapted to specific needs. Complementary to the *Manual*, the joint OHCHR/Equitas *Evaluating Human Rights Training Activities: A Handbook for Human Rights Educators* focuses on infusing evaluation methods throughout the human rights training cycle. The *Manual* is based on OHCHR’s training practice and lessons learnt at both headquarters and field level, and aims to further professionalize and maximize the impact of the human rights training work carried out by OHCHR, in line with OHCHR’s Policy on Human Rights Methodology and Training. [Ref.:](#) HR/P/PT/6/Rev.1 [Sales:](#) E.19.XIV.1 [ISBN:](#) 978-92-1-154223-3 [ISSN:](#) 1020-1688 [Publication date:](#) 2019 [Languages:](#) Arabic • English • French • Spanish [Formats:](#) Print (A4) • Electronic ([OHCHR website](#) and [Shop.un.org](#))



## EVALUATING THE IMPACT OF HUMAN RIGHTS TRAINING: GUIDANCE ON DEVELOPING INDICATORS

### (PUBLISHED JOINTLY WITH EQUITAS – INTERNATIONAL CENTRE FOR HUMAN RIGHTS EDUCATION)

This *Guidance* complements the joint OHCHR-Equitas *Evaluating Human Rights Training Activities: A Handbook for Human Rights Educators*. It aims to enhance the competencies of human rights educators and training managers in developing appropriate indicators for measuring the results of their programmes and projects. The publication reviews the concept of empowerment as a major human rights education and training goal. It explores how to articulate “good” short, medium and longer-term results that capture what can reasonably be achieved through human rights education and training. The *Guidance* also provides a step-by-step process for developing effective indicators to measure human rights education and training results. Finally, the publication presents an array of illustrative examples of related indicators that can be adapted for different contexts.

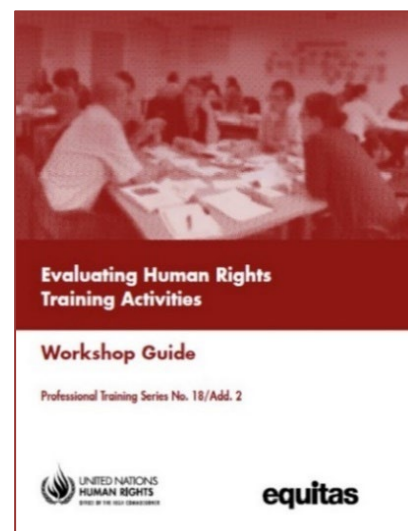
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## EVALUATING HUMAN RIGHTS TRAINING ACTIVITIES: WORKSHOP GUIDE (PUBLISHED JOINTLY WITH EQUITAS – INTERNATIONAL CENTRE FOR HUMAN RIGHTS EDUCATION)

The *Workshop Guide* supports the design and delivery of a two-and-a-half-day workshop aimed at strengthening the capacity of human rights trainers to conduct an effective evaluation of their training activities, thereby maximizing their impact. The publication builds on OHCHR's and Equitas' existing *Evaluating Human Rights Training Activities: A Handbook for Human Rights Educators* (issued in 2011), which provides a wealth of practical tools to facilitate evaluation processes throughout the human rights training cycle – planning, design, organization, delivery and follow-up, whether training is delivered face-to-face or online.

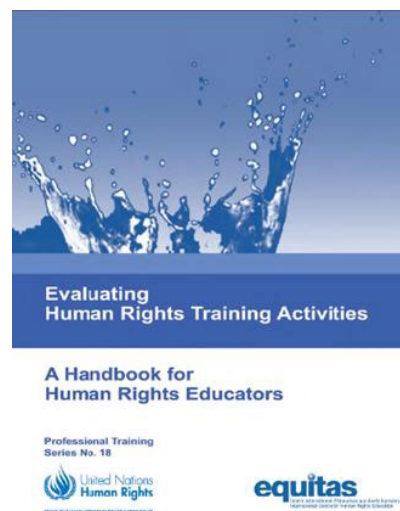
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## EVALUATING HUMAN RIGHTS TRAINING ACTIVITIES: A HANDBOOK FOR HUMAN RIGHTS EDUCATORS (PUBLISHED JOINTLY WITH EQUITAS – INTERNATIONAL CENTRE FOR HUMAN RIGHTS EDUCATION)

This *Handbook* is primarily for human rights educators working with different adult learners in non-formal education contexts. The learners may include for example: non-governmental organization and community-based organization staff, government officials, staff of national human rights institutions, staff of international organizations, teachers, community leaders and community members. The *Handbook* aims to serve as a helpful resource for all human rights educators, including those who have little or no experience in educational evaluation as well as those who have practical experience in evaluating human rights training activities but who may not have formal training in the area of educational evaluation. The goal of the *Handbook* is to support the evaluation work of human rights educators working with adult learners by developing their competencies in the theory and practice of educational evaluation.

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## HUMAN RIGHTS IN THE ADMINISTRATION OF JUSTICE TRAINING PACKAGE

### A MANUAL ON HUMAN RIGHTS FOR JUDGES, PROSECUTORS AND LAWYERS (PUBLISHED JOINTLY WITH THE INTERNATIONAL BAR ASSOCIATION)

#### SALES PUBLICATION

The Human Rights in the Administration of Justice Training Package comprises a Manual, an Addendum to the Manual on Major Recent Developments (2003-07) and a Facilitator's Guide. It is the result of a joint endeavour of the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights (OHCHR) and the International Bar Association (IBA).

The *Manual* offers basic information on international human rights law and the jurisprudence of universal and regional bodies and national courts. Each module addresses a specific human rights area. The *Manual* has multiple applications: as training material for collective exercises, as a resource tool for carrying out individual studies, and as a reference source for the interpretation and application of the law. Human Rights in the Administration of Justice has been developed for use in all kinds of courses and workshops involving the legal professions and not necessarily only in those organized by OHCHR or IBA. Its use is encouraged in the development of curricula, in pre-service training for future legal professionals and in the continuing education activities of professional associations.

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Publication date: October 2006 Languages: Arabic • English • Russian Formats: Print (A4, ring-bound in folder with dividers and accompanying CD-ROM of Manual) • Electronic (OHCHR website and Shop.un.org)

#### ADDENDUM: MAJOR RECENT DEVELOPMENTS (2003-07)

### (PUBLISHED JOINTLY WITH THE INTERNATIONAL BAR ASSOCIATION)

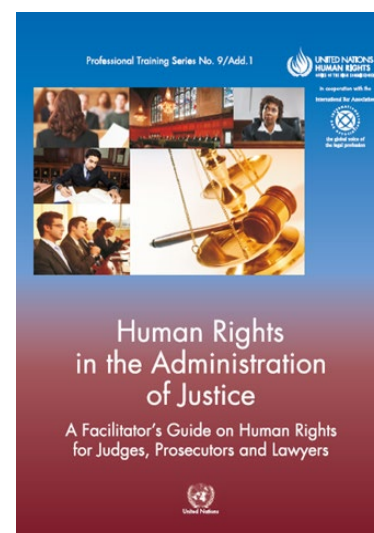
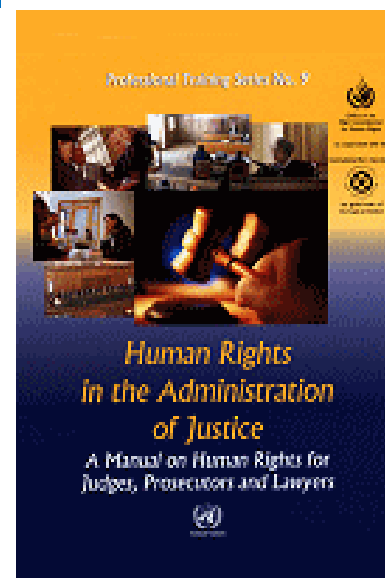
This *Addendum* updates the information on international human rights law and the jurisprudence of universal and regional bodies and national courts contained in the 2003 *Manual*.

Ref.: HR/P/PT/9/Add. 2 ISSN: 1020-1688 Publication date: 2008 Language: English Formats: Print (A4) • Electronic (OHCHR website)

### A FACILITATOR'S GUIDE ON HUMAN RIGHTS FOR JUDGES, PROSECUTORS AND LAWYERS (PUBLISHED JOINTLY WITH THE INTERNATIONAL BAR ASSOCIATION)

The *Facilitator's Guide* aims to assist training managers and resource persons engaged in organizing workshops or courses based on the *Manual*. It is based on a training methodology which encourages participants to play an active role, contributing their professional expertise to the joint study of how to apply international human rights standards effectively. Facilitators and training managers should use the training materials with a substantial degree of flexibility and may need to make a selection of the most appropriate material to meet the specific needs of their course participants. Presentations, examples, case studies and role plays may need to be tailored and customized to reflect relevant legal systems and address issues of particular interest. The *Facilitator's Guide* closely follows the structure of the *Manual*. After a first module with guidance for the organization of the opening session of the course, the *Guide* proposes training aids such as questions for discussion, planning charts, exercises, case studies and role plays, as well as sample computer slide presentations, for each of the *Manual's* chapters.

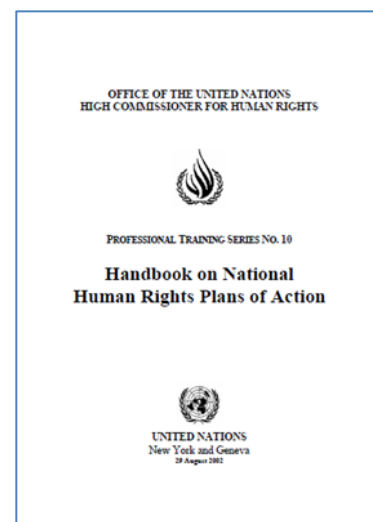
Ref.: No. 9/Add. 1, HR/P/PT/9/Add. 1 ISSN: 1020-1688 Publication date: 2011 Language: English Formats: Print (A4, ring-bound in folder with dividers for chapters, and accompanying CD-ROM of the *Facilitator's Guide*, hand-outs and slides) • Electronic (OHCHR website)



## HANDBOOK ON NATIONAL HUMAN RIGHTS PLANS OF ACTION

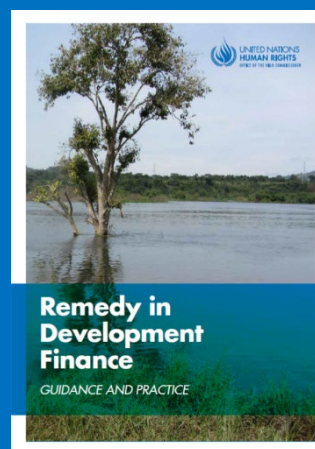
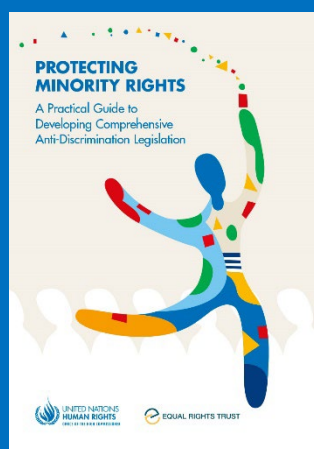
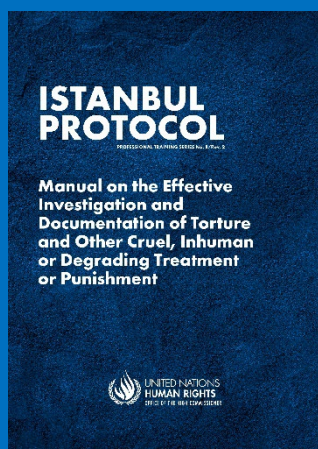
This *Handbook* aims to assist individuals and governments, judiciary, civil society, national human rights institutions, academic world, and general community working on or interested in national human rights action plans. It includes guidance on conceptualising, and structuring the development of a plan, as well as on monitoring and evaluating an existing plan. The *Handbook* also includes descriptions of action plans by eleven countries.

**Ref.:** No. 10, HR/P/PT/10 **ISSN:** 1020-1688 **Publication date:** August 2002  
**Language:** English **Format:** Electronic only ([OHCHR website](#))



# POLICY AND METHODOLOGY

Policy and Methodological publications provide practical and policy guidance on the method of application and implementation of human rights norms.



## **MENTAL HEALTH, HUMAN RIGHTS AND LEGISLATION: GUIDANCE AND PRACTICE (PUBLISHED JOINTLY WITH THE WORLD HEALTH ORGANIZATION)**

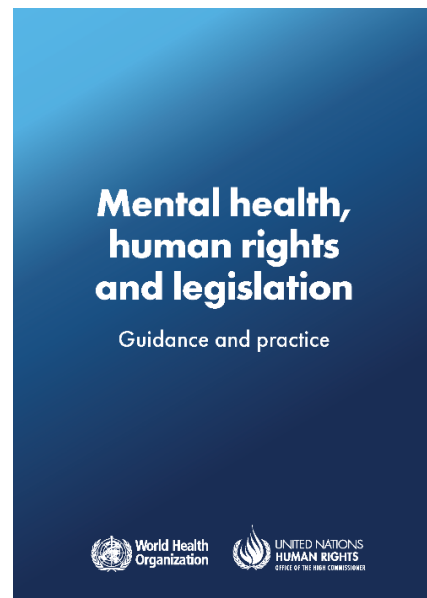
This joint publication by the World Health Organization (WHO) and OHCHR aims to support countries embarking on legislative reform related to mental health. With a focus on the transformation of mental health systems and the promotion, protection and fulfilment of human rights, dignity, autonomy, and inclusion for all, it offers practical advice to align laws, policies and practices with international human rights obligations and the development of person-centred care and support, taking into account gender, age, cultural acceptability and other considerations that safeguard human rights. Developed through extensive research and consultations, its key chapters cover the need for reform, principles and provisions for legislation, and a rights-based process. A practical checklist assists in assessing and developing legislation, while ensuring flexibility for countries to tailor efforts to specific national and local contexts. This resource is intended for legislators, policymakers, health professionals, monitoring and evaluation authorities and advocacy groups, among others.

**Ref.:** HR/PUB/23/3 **Publication date:** October 2023 **Languages:** English (Spanish edition forthcoming) **Format:** Electronic ([OHCHR website](#) and [WHO website](#)) – limited printed copies may become available in future

## **PARLIAMENTS AND HUMAN RIGHTS: A SELF-ASSESSMENT TOOLKIT (PUBLISHED JOINTLY WITH THE INTER-PARLIAMENTARY UNION)**

*Parliaments and Human Rights: A Self-Assessment Toolkit* was jointly prepared by OHCHR and the Inter-Parliamentary Union (IPU). The toolkit seeks to help parliaments better integrate human rights into their work and empower parliamentarians as champions of human rights for their constituents. The toolkit is designed to be relevant to parliaments across all political systems, regardless of their size or location. It introduces the main international norms, treaties and mechanisms which underpin human rights and explains how parliaments can implement them at the national level.

**Ref.:** HR/PUB/23/1 **Publication date:** October 2023 **Languages:** Arabic • English • French • Spanish **Formats:** Print (A4, soft cover) • Electronic ([OHCHR website](#) and [IPU website](#))



## THE CONVENTION ON THE ELIMINATION OF ALL FORMS OF DISCRIMINATION AGAINST WOMEN AND ITS OPTIONAL PROTOCOL: HANDBOOK FOR PARLIAMENTARIANS (REVISED EDITION)

(PUBLISHED JOINTLY WITH THE INTER-PARLIAMENTARY UNION)

More than four decades after its adoption, the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women remains an essential and ambitious guide for achieving gender equality across the board – from the family and the classroom to executive boards and political leadership roles. Despite considerable progress since the Convention came into force, no country can yet claim to have fully achieved gender equality. This revised edition of The Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women and its Optional Protocol: Handbook for Parliamentarians is a joint collaboration undertaken by the Inter-Parliamentary Union (IPU) and the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights (OHCHR). Twenty years after the publication of the first edition, this updated edition seeks to provide parliamentarians with detailed and practical guidance, relying on the important recommendations and good practices developed by the Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women in translating the Convention into concrete action that addresses all forms of discrimination and gender-based violence against women and girls. It also builds on the indispensable contribution of parliaments in advancing gender equality as a fundamental element of sustainable development and peace, as well as on the perspectives of civil society and government as key allies to this work. The handbook aims to highlight the importance of women's rights and gender equality in overcoming global challenges, from the COVID-19 pandemic and climate change, to armed conflict and displacement, and the rise of authoritarianism. It also reinforces the significance of the Convention as a solid foundation for building a more resilient world and more inclusive societies.

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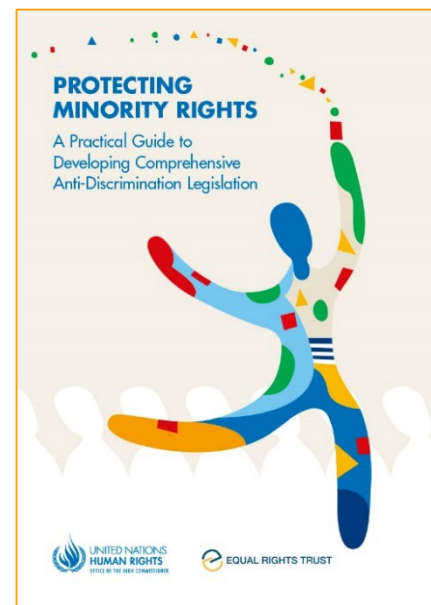
## PROTECTING MINORITY RIGHTS: A PRACTICAL GUIDE TO DEVELOPING COMPREHENSIVE ANTI-DISCRIMINATION LEGISLATION

(PUBLISHED JOINTLY WITH THE EQUAL RIGHTS TRUST)

**SALES PUBLICATION**

This *Practical Guide*, jointly published by OHCHR and the Equal Rights Trust (ERT), sets out in detail the content of comprehensive anti-discrimination law. It provides legislators and advocates with the tools to develop anti-discrimination legislation consistent with international legal standards on the rights to equality and non-discrimination. It aims to assist States in meeting their core international law obligations to respect, protect and fulfil the rights to equality and non-discrimination. The publication includes practical examples to assist law- and policy-makers. It also provides specific guidance on the link between anti-discrimination law on the one hand, and minority rights on the other.

**Ref.:** HR/PUB/22/6 **Sales:** E.22.XIV.6 **ISBN:** 978-92-1-154243-1 **Publication date:** December 2022 **Languages:** Arabic • Chinese • English • Russian • Spanish (French edition forthcoming); non-official UN language versions (Japanese, Portuguese, Korean, etc.) and two-page summaries in official UN languages are available on the [publication title](#) web page **Formats:** Print (A4, soft cover) • Electronic (OHCHR website and ERT website, and [Shop.un.org](#))



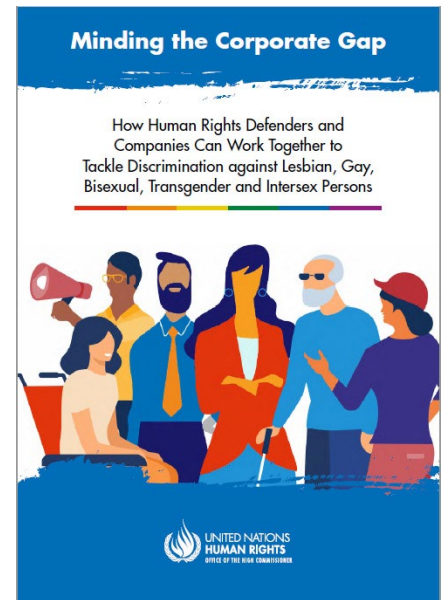


## MINDING THE CORPORATE GAP: HOW HUMAN RIGHTS DEFENDERS AND COMPANIES CAN WORK TOGETHER TO TACKLE DISCRIMINATION AGAINST LESBIAN, GAY, BISEXUAL, TRANSGENDER AND INTERSEX PERSONS

### SALES PUBLICATION

This publication seeks to assist human rights defenders in approaching, engaging and enlisting the backing of business for measures that promote greater equality for lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and intersex (LGBTI) persons. It also offers companies, especially human resource management professionals and those promoting diversity and inclusion within companies, with an overview of areas for potential collaboration with LGBTI civil society, as well as practical examples of such collaboration in different parts of the world.

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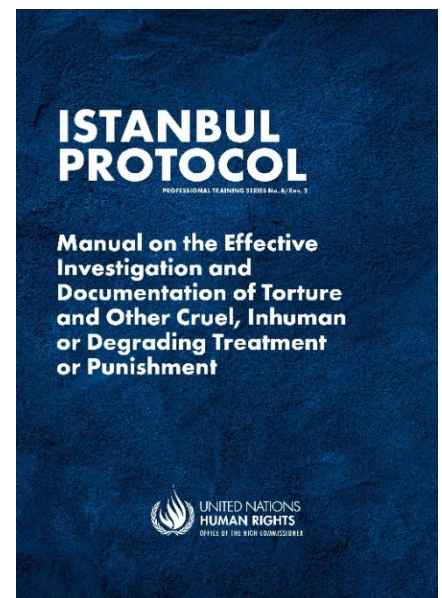


## ISTANBUL PROTOCOL: MANUAL ON THE EFFECTIVE INVESTIGATION AND DOCUMENTATION OF TORTURE AND OTHER CRUEL, INHUMAN OR DEGRADING TREATMENT OR PUNISHMENT

### SALES PUBLICATION

This revised edition strengthens the widely recognized and highly valued Istanbul Protocol on the effective investigation into and documentation of torture and ill-treatment. Relying on multi-sectoral engagement, specialized global expertise and practical experiences of law, health and human rights professionals in the field, including members of United Nations anti-torture mechanisms, the updated edition seeks to fortify the implementation of international norms and preventive tools to assist survivors of torture worldwide. The Istanbul Protocol and the accompanying "Istanbul Principles" also serve as a global standard against which the delivery of expert legal and medical evidence can be benchmarked in the investigation and prevention of torture. The Istanbul Protocol should appeal to a wide variety of stakeholders, including States, civil society, doctors, psychologists, social workers, lawyers, forensic specialists, asylum officers, human rights officers and many others.

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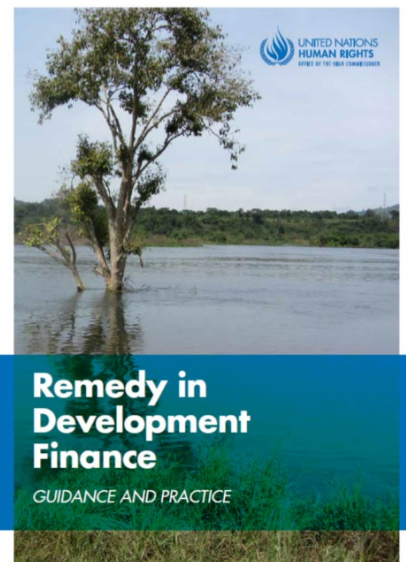


## REMEDY IN DEVELOPMENT FINANCE: GUIDANCE AND PRACTICE

### SALES PUBLICATION

Bilateral and multilateral development finance institutions are critical actors in development and make important contributions to the Sustainable Development Goals as well as human rights. Nevertheless, development finance institution-supported investment projects are often associated with adverse impacts to communities and the environment. For many communities – even those that are able to access accountability mechanisms associated with development finance institutions – the goal of remedy remains elusive. Furthermore, against the backdrop of an entrenched global pandemic, growing inequality, shrinking civic space, and rising authoritarianism, remedy can be put even further out of reach. Remedy in Development Finance is the result of two years of research and consultations with development finance institutions, independent accountability mechanism, and civil society organizations across the globe. The publication helps to contextualize current policies and practices of development finance institutions on remedy, analyzes gaps and opportunities for improving access, and generally seeks to demystify and normalize the concept that is all too often associated with finger-pointing and blame-shifting. The analysis is grounded in the international human rights framework, and in particular the concepts of human rights due diligence and remedy under the United Nations Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights. In addition to commenting on the state of play of remedy in development finance, the report also offers recommendations to policymakers and practitioners on how to strengthen the “remedy ecosystem.”

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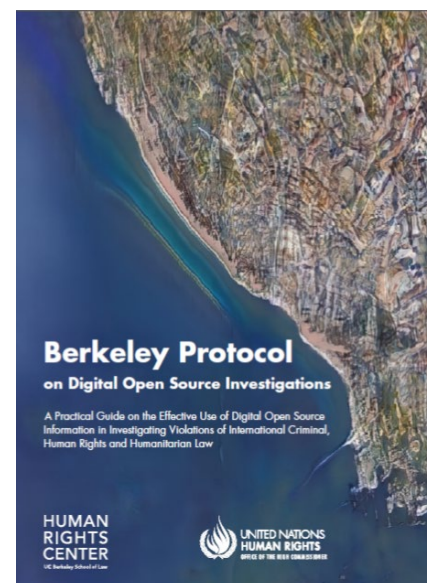
## BERKELEY PROTOCOL ON DIGITAL OPEN SOURCE INVESTIGATIONS: A PRACTICAL GUIDE ON THE EFFECTIVE USE OF DIGITAL OPEN SOURCE INFORMATION IN INVESTIGATING VIOLATIONS OF INTERNATIONAL CRIMINAL, HUMAN RIGHTS AND HUMANITARIAN LAW

(PUBLISHED JOINTLY WITH THE HUMAN RIGHTS CENTER AT THE UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, BERKELEY, SCHOOL OF LAW)

### SALES PUBLICATION

The *Berkeley Protocol on Digital Open Source Investigations* identifies international standards for conducting online research of alleged violations of international criminal, human rights, and humanitarian law. The Protocol provides guidance on methodologies and procedures for gathering, analysing, and preserving digital information in a professional, legal, and ethical manner. The publication also sets out measures that online investigators can and should take to protect the digital, physical, and psychosocial safety of themselves and others, including witnesses, victims, and first responders (such as citizens, activists, and journalists) who risk their own wellbeing to document war crimes and human rights violations so that those who are responsible are brought to justice.

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## UNITED NATIONS HUMAN RIGHTS GUIDANCE ON LESS-LETHAL WEAPONS IN LAW ENFORCEMENT

### SALES PUBLICATION

The *United Nations Human Rights Guidance on the Use of Less-Lethal Weapons in Law Enforcement* provides concise and user-friendly guidelines, outlining international norms and standards on the use of less-lethal weapons in a scenario-based, weapon-specific manner. The Guidance aims to provide direction on the lawful and responsible design, production, transfer, procurement, testing, training, deployment and use of less-lethal weapons and related equipment. It is addressed to States, law enforcement agencies, manufacturers, human rights bodies and mechanisms, private security companies, police oversight bodies and human rights defenders, and to individuals seeking to assert their right to a remedy for human rights violations. It is also intended to promote accountability for the design, production, testing, transfer, deployment and use of less-lethal weapons and related equipment.

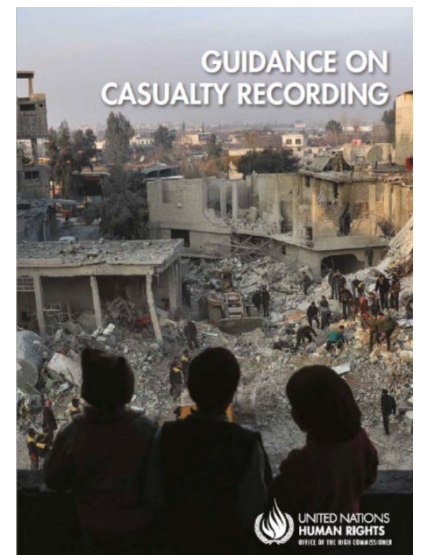
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## GUIDANCE ON CASUALTY RECORDING

### SALES PUBLICATION

The OHCHR *Guidance on Casualty Recording* is the first United Nations publication on casualty recording methodology. It provides a “how to” guide for actors that are doing or considering establishing a casualty recording system, or that want to better understand what casualty recording is and its purpose. The Guidance aims at generating more casualty data and reporting, including for the purposes of the Sustainable Development Goals, in particular SDG indicator 16.1.2 on conflict-related deaths. The Guidance is based on a review of casualty recording practices within and outside the United Nations. The publication stresses the importance of a robust and transparent methodology, to ensure that the data and analysis are reliable and usable by different actors for a range of purposes.

**Ref.:** HR/PUB/19/1 **Sales:** E.20.XIV.1 **ISBN:** 978-92-1-154229-5 **Publication date:** December 2019 **Languages:** Arabic • English **Formats:** Print (A4, soft cover) • Electronic ([OHCHR website](#) and [Shop.un.org](#))



## WHO'S RESPONSIBLE? ATTRIBUTING INDIVIDUAL RESPONSIBILITY FOR VIOLATIONS OF INTERNATIONAL HUMAN RIGHTS AND HUMANITARIAN LAW IN UNITED NATIONS COMMISSIONS OF INQUIRY, FACT-FINDING MISSIONS AND OTHER INVESTIGATIONS

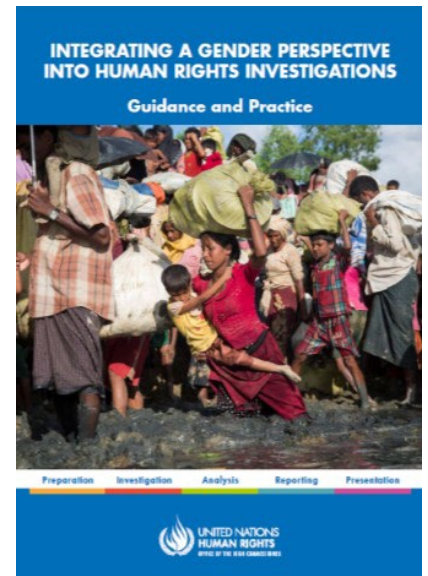
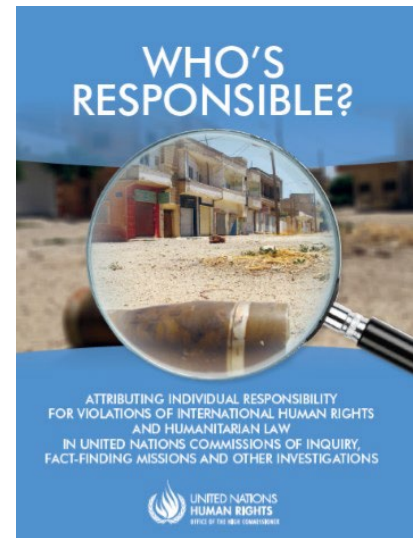
United Nations Commissions of Inquiry (Cols), Fact-Finding Missions (FFMs) and similar complex human rights investigations are regularly, and with increasing frequency, called upon to “identify those responsible” for violations and crimes falling within their mandate. Yet identifying responsible parties poses complex legal and methodological challenges. Despite variations in mandate language, applicable legal regimes, political context, membership, timing and budgets, the practice of Cols, FFMs and similar complex investigations is developing in this area. OHCHR has a wealth of institutional experience in human rights field investigations where the identification of allegedly responsible individuals is a regular feature. This guidance draws upon that practice and presents it together with a discussion on key policy issues, namely the collection and analysis of information on responsible individuals, and the legal and investigative challenges involved; and the management of information once collected, including maximizing its use (by reporting, sharing and safeguarding it). The publication builds on OHCHR’s existing guidance and practice for Cols, FFMs and other investigations and sets out both the minimum steps that all investigative bodies should complete as well as additional measures that can and should be taken where feasible. This information is complemented by Recommendations or a Summary of key guidance on the points raised.

**Ref.:** HR/PUB/18/3 **Publication date:** November 2018 **Languages:** Arabic • English **Formats:** Print (B5, soft cover) • Electronic ([OHCHR website](#))

## INTEGRATING A GENDER PERSPECTIVE INTO HUMAN RIGHTS INVESTIGATIONS: GUIDANCE AND PRACTICE

This publication provides practical guidance on the integration of a gender perspective throughout the work of investigative bodies or entities, from the planning phase to the investigations and to writing the report and presenting its findings. It should be read in conjunction with existing OHCHR guidance in the *Manual on Human Rights Monitoring and Commissions of Inquiry and Fact-finding Missions on International Human Rights and Humanitarian Law: Guidance and Practice*. The publication specifically aims to strengthen the content of human rights reports in order to accurately depict the different experiences of women, men, girls and boys. It is primarily aimed at United Nations Human Rights Officers, especially those performing investigative functions, including with Cols/FFMs. It may also be used as a reference material for the human rights monitoring, analysis and reporting performed by OHCHR field presences or as part of peace operations mandated by the Security Council and overseen, managed and supported by OHCHR. States Parties, regional mechanisms, national human rights institutions, national commissions of inquiry, civil society organizations and others could also benefit from guidance on how to integrate a gender perspective into monitoring and investigating human rights violations and abuses.

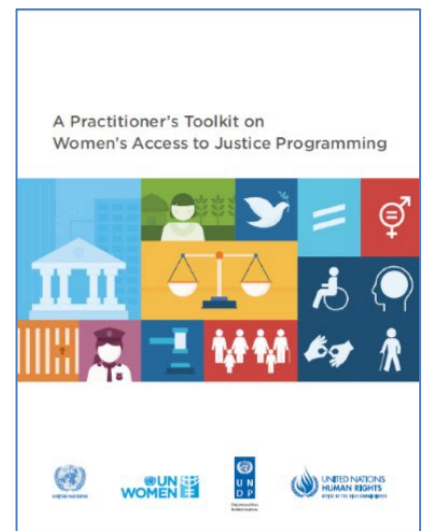
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## A PRACTITIONER'S TOOLKIT ON WOMEN'S ACCESS TO JUSTICE PROGRAMMING (PUBLISHED JOINTLY WITH UN WOMEN, UNDP AND UNODC)

Globally, women face barriers to obtaining justice in their capacities as claimants, victims, witnesses, or offenders, often driven by institutional, policy, and legislative failure to remove discrimination, gender bias, stereotyping, stigma, indifference, corruption, and impunity. Women who face multiple and intersecting forms of discrimination, as well as those affected by conflict, are often at the back end of justice service delivery. This *Toolkit* provides practical guidance on how such challenges can be addressed across justice systems more broadly, as well as within the key context areas of marriage, family and property rights; ending violence against women; and women in conflict with the law, with special reference to country-level programming. Designed primarily for staff of the United Nations system, the *Toolkit* presents a menu of options for responding to current deficits in women's access to justice programming and the growing demand for technical assistance in this area. It consolidates and complements existing resources and aims at stimulating bolder gender-responsive justice interventions for the full realization of the rights of women and girls.

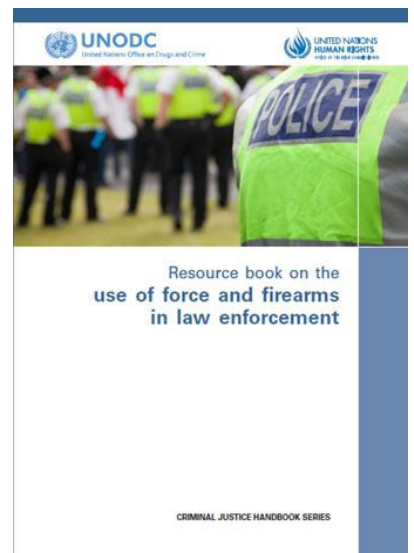
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## RESOURCE BOOK ON THE USE OF FORCE AND FIREARMS IN LAW ENFORCEMENT (PUBLISHED JOINTLY WITH UNODC)

This joint OHCHR-UNODC resource book explores international law sources relevant to the use of force and the general responsibility of law enforcement authorities for the use of force. It discusses a number of instruments of force, including firearms, and the conditions under which these should be used. It further examines the possible use of force in a number of specific policing situations. Finally, it also outlines good practices for accountability in the use of force and firearms by law enforcement officials. The publication aims to support States in their efforts to develop and implement more effective, accountable and human rights-based law enforcement policies. It is intended for policy and law-makers in particular, including those involved in the drafting of policies, regulations, Standard Operating Procedures and training materials on the use of force and firearms, as well as for stakeholders exercising control and oversight functions over law enforcement agencies.

**Ref.:** HR/PUB/17/6 **Publication date:** September 2017 **Language:** English (Arabic, Russian and Spanish editions forthcoming) **Formats:** Print (A5, soft cover) • Electronic ([OHCHR website](#) and UNODC website)



## MIGRATION, HUMAN RIGHTS AND GOVERNANCE: HANDBOOK FOR PARLIAMENTARIANS NO. 24

(PUBLISHED JOINTLY WITH IPU AND ILO)

International migration is motivated by a range of economic, political and social factors. This jointly-published *Handbook* between the Inter-Parliamentary Union, the International Labour Office and the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights offers responses to fundamental questions on migration, such as those concerned with its root causes and possible responses in terms of good policies and practices. It also covers the challenges, both for migrants and for countries, in relation to national well-being, development and social cohesion. The *Handbook* proposes a balanced approach to making effective laws and policies that address the human rights of migrants and the governance of migration. It aims to enable parliamentarians to help ensure that migration takes place in ways that are fair, mutually beneficial and respectful of human rights.

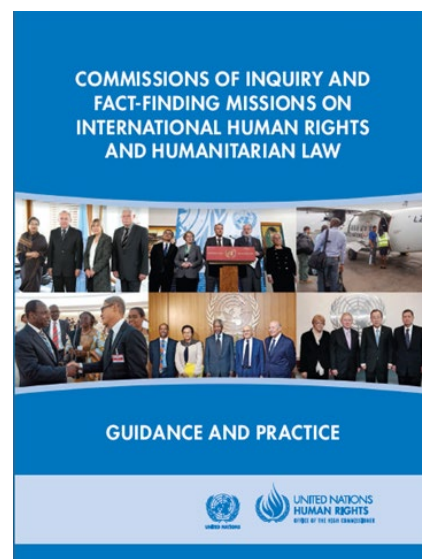
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## COMMISSIONS OF INQUIRY AND FACT-FINDING MISSIONS ON INTERNATIONAL HUMAN RIGHTS AND HUMANITARIAN LAW: GUIDANCE AND PRACTICE

This publication provides policy, methodological, legal and operational guidance based on relevant international standards and two decades of experience by OHCHR in advising, supporting, deploying and reviewing international commissions of inquiry and fact-finding missions. The guidance is mainly targeted at members of commissions/missions, the staff of such bodies, States, civil society organizations and United Nations departments that may be involved in advocating, mandating, establishing, supporting and resourcing such bodies. It is also directed at national human rights institutions, academic institutions and others who may be involved in these activities.

Ref.: HR/PUB/14/7 Publication date: February 2015 Languages: Arabic • English • French • Spanish Formats: Print (B5, soft cover) • Electronic (OHCHR website)



## MANUAL ON HUMAN RIGHTS MONITORING (REVISED EDITION)

Building on the 2001 edition, this *Manual* consolidates and expands United Nations methodological standards for the conduct of human rights monitoring and fact-finding. It is primarily intended to guide the work of human rights officers in United Nations human rights field presences, and integrates the additional experience and good practices developed over two decades of fieldwork, including by addressing areas where further guidance proved to be necessary, such as analysis, protection of witnesses, victims and sources, and monitoring of economic, social and cultural rights. The standards set out are equally applicable to the work of international, regional and national bodies, mechanisms and institutions that carry out human rights monitoring, including commissions of inquiry and human rights special procedures.

*OHCHR is in the process of updating the 2001 edition of the Manual. The revised Manual chapters published thus far, are available on the OHCHR website.*

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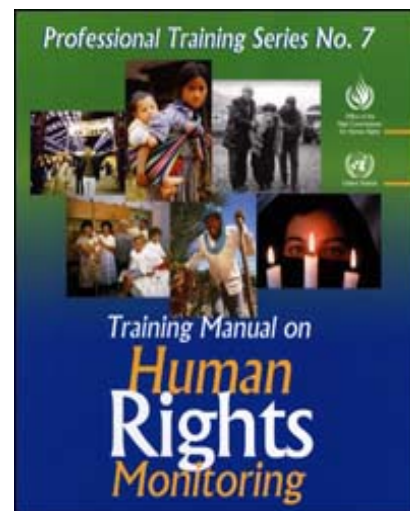
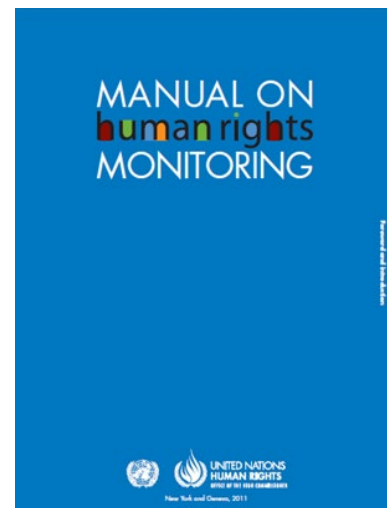
*\*OHCHR is in the process of revising the 2001 edition of the Training Manual on Human Rights Monitoring. The revised Manual chapters are available on [this web page](#).*

## TRAINING MANUAL ON HUMAN RIGHTS MONITORING

This *Manual* is one component of a two-part package of materials for training on human rights monitoring for United Nations human rights officers and other human rights monitors. The *Manual* provides practical guidance principally for the conduct of human rights monitoring in United Nations field operations, but it may also be useful to other human rights monitors. It is mainly based on the experience developed by the United Nations in recent years, through the work of various human rights field operations. It sets forth applicable international human rights and humanitarian law; approaches to identifying human rights violations, information-gathering, interviewing, visits to persons in detention, visits to displaced persons in camps, monitoring the return of refugees and internally displaced persons, trial observation, election observation, monitoring demonstrations, monitoring economic rights, preparation of reports, interventions with local authorities and other follow-up; history of United Nations monitoring standards, etc. In addition, the *Manual* provides suggestions for norms applicable to the work of human rights officers in field operations and how they can handle the challenges of stress and security they will encounter.

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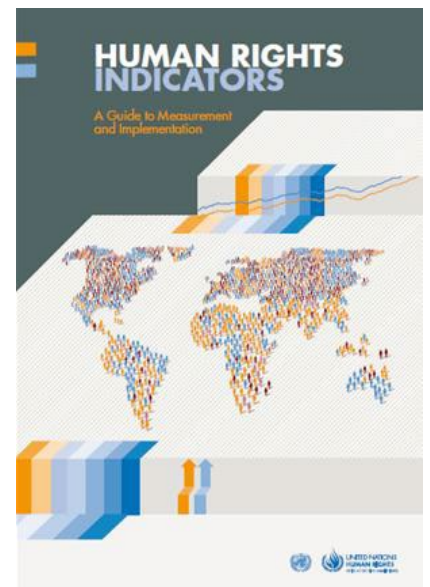


## HUMAN RIGHTS INDICATORS: A GUIDE FOR MEASUREMENT AND IMPLEMENTATION

### SALES PUBLICATION

This publication aims to assist in developing quantitative and qualitative indicators to measure progress in the implementation of international human rights norms and principles. The *Guide* describes the conceptual and methodological framework for human rights indicators recommended by international and national human rights mechanisms and used by a growing number of governmental and non-governmental actors. It provides concrete examples of human rights indicators, and other practical tools and illustrations, to support the realization of human rights at all levels. The *Guide* is targeted at human rights advocates as well as policymakers, development practitioners, statisticians and others.

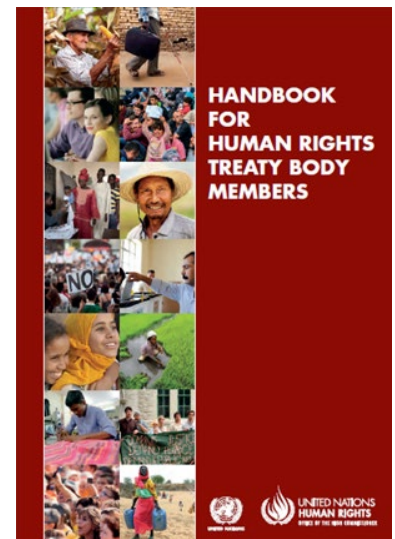
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## HANDBOOK FOR HUMAN RIGHTS TREATY BODY MEMBERS

Being a human rights treaty body member is a highly rewarding and significant commitment. The treaties and the work of the treaty bodies underpin the international human rights system. A treaty body member is at the centre of the interpretation and application of international human rights treaty law, and contributes to the promotion, protection and implementation of human rights at the national level. Through the review of State party reports, treaty body members assist States in the implementation of treaty provisions, which helps to improve the overall human rights situation nationally and across the globe. Inquiries and country visits, as well as the examination of petitions from individuals, help to resolve disputes over human rights questions and promote victims' right to a remedy, in turn strengthening the rule of law nationally. Moreover, the formulation of general comments clarifies the meaning of particular provisions and themes related to treaties. General comments have proved invaluable to courts, human rights practitioners, national policymakers and many others. This *Handbook* is primarily designed as a basic guide for candidates as well as current treaty body members. It is also intended to help States parties, national human rights institutions and civil society to understand the role and responsibilities of treaty body members.

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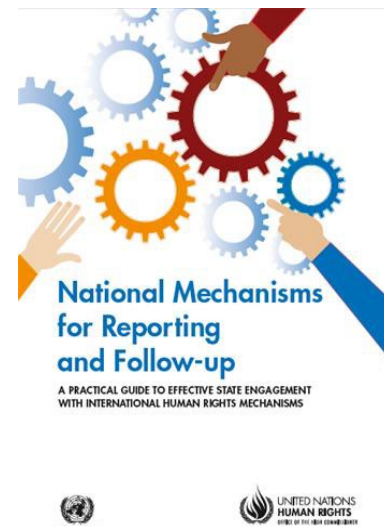




## NATIONAL MECHANISMS FOR REPORTING AND FOLLOW-UP: A PRACTICAL GUIDE TO EFFECTIVE STATE ENGAGEMENT WITH INTERNATIONAL HUMAN RIGHTS MECHANISMS

This *Practical Guide* and the accompanying *Study of State Engagement with International Human Rights Mechanisms* seek to identify key ingredients for a well-functioning and efficient national mechanism for reporting and follow-up, drawing on different State practices, while not proposing a one-size-fits-all solution. *The Guide* provides practical advice on the critical elements that States need to consider when establishing or strengthening their national mechanism for reporting and follow-up, and illustrates this advice with examples of State practice. It is based on the more comprehensive *Study of State Engagement with International Human Rights Mechanisms* (HR/PUB/16/1/Add.1), which contains more detailed information on these practices.

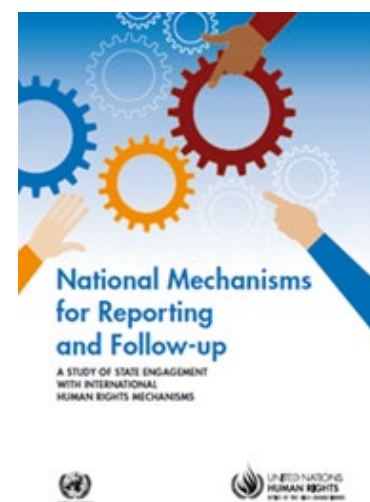
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## NATIONAL MECHANISMS FOR REPORTING AND FOLLOW-UP: A STUDY OF STATE ENGAGEMENT WITH INTERNATIONAL HUMAN RIGHTS MECHANISMS

This *Study*, which complements the *Practical Guide to Effective State Engagement with International Human Rights Mechanisms*, presents the findings of OHCHR research on national mechanisms for reporting and follow-up. It seeks to inform and provide States and other stakeholders with an analysis of existing practices. It may assist States in choosing the optimal configuration and model for their own national mechanism for reporting to the treaty bodies and the universal periodic review, as well as for engaging with special procedures and facilitating follow-up to recommendations and decisions of all regional and international human rights mechanisms.

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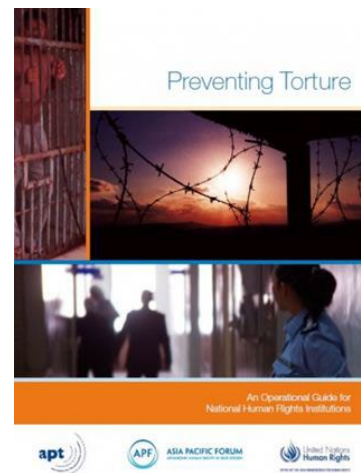


## PREVENTING TORTURE: AN OPERATIONAL GUIDE FOR NATIONAL HUMAN RIGHTS INSTITUTIONS

(PUBLISHED JOINTLY WITH THE ASIA PACIFIC FORUM AND THE ASSOCIATION FOR THE PREVENTION OF TORTURE)

This *Guide* aims to support and strengthen the work of national human rights institutions – whether they are human rights commissions or ombudsman offices – in the prevention of torture, especially institutions that are fully compliant with the Paris Principles. The *Guide* is designed to be a practical toolkit to support national human rights institutions as they plan and undertake concrete activities to prevent torture in their country. The *Guide* begins by explaining the concept of torture prevention and highlights the importance of engaging in a global, integrated strategy to prevent torture. The first section of the *Guide* provides the legal context for the prevention of torture, including the definition of torture and the relevant international and regional instruments that prohibit torture. The second section outlines the practical steps that national human rights institutions can undertake to prevent torture. Examples of good practices from different institutions have been included to illustrate effective ways of putting torture prevention strategies into action. Each chapter includes key questions, the legal basis for the involvement of national human rights institutions, discussion of the major issues and options for further reading. The companion CD-ROM contains a range of useful documents and resource materials

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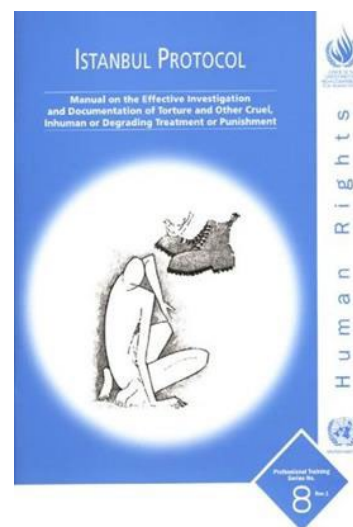
## THE ISTANBUL PROTOCOL: MANUAL ON THE EFFECTIVE INVESTIGATION AND DOCUMENTATION OF TORTURE AND OTHER CRUEL, INHUMAN OR DEGRADING TREATMENT/PUNISHMENT

### SALES PUBLICATION

This *Manual*, better known as the *Istanbul Protocol*, is intended to serve as international guidelines for the assessment of persons who allege torture and ill-treatment, for investigating cases of alleged torture and for reporting findings to the judiciary or any other investigative body. The documentation methods contained in this manual are also applicable to other contexts, including human rights investigations and monitoring, political asylum evaluations, the defence of individuals who “confess” to crimes during torture and needs assessments for the care of torture victims, among others. The *Manual* includes annexes with principles of effective investigation and documentation; diagnostic tests; anatomical drawings for the documentation of torture and ill-treatment; and guidelines for the medical evaluation of torture and ill-treatment.

*This edition was updated in 2022. Please see above for further details.*

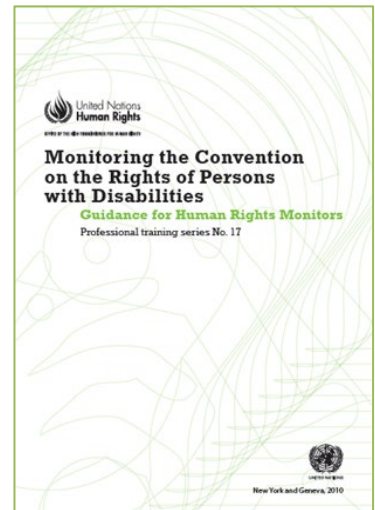
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## MONITORING THE CONVENTION ON THE RIGHTS OF PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES: GUIDANCE FOR HUMAN RIGHTS MONITORS

This publication aims to provide actors already engaged in human rights monitoring such as United Nations human rights officers, national human rights institutions, and civil society with background information on the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities, its provisions and monitoring mechanisms. It underscores the importance of the entry into force of the Convention and its Optional Protocol in 2008, as the Convention marks a shift in the way disability and persons with disabilities were seen. The publication further underlines that persons with disabilities have a central role to play in monitoring the implementation of the Convention and that a so-called twin-track approach that combines the mainstreaming of disability in all initiatives/projects, on the one hand, with disability-specific initiatives/projects, on the other, is needed in order to ensure equal rights for all persons with disabilities.

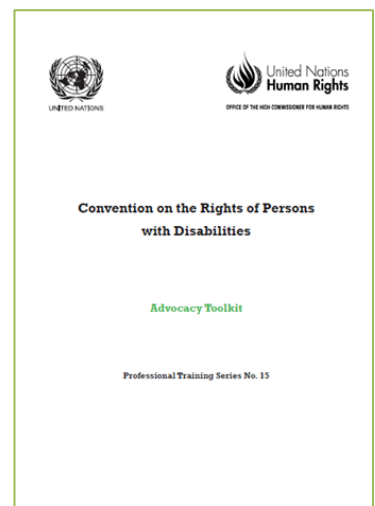
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## CONVENTION ON THE RIGHTS OF PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES: ADVOCACY TOOLKIT

This *Advocacy Toolkit* aims to support efforts by mine action centres to advocate for the ratification and implementation of the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities and its Optional Protocol. It explains how a Mine Action Centre can support the ratification and implementation process and shares tips on how to encourage the media to portray people with disabilities in a more accurate manner. It includes sample letters to government officials, urging them to ratify the Convention and a list of useful resources and websites.

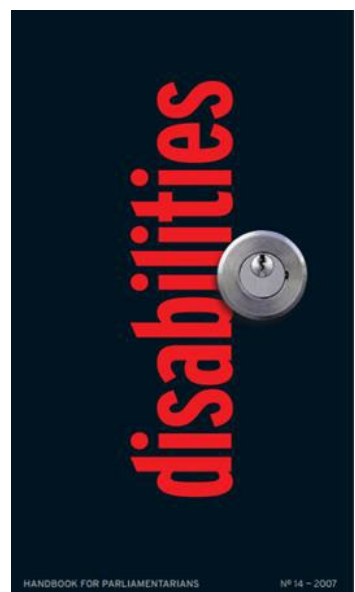
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## FROM EXCLUSION TO EQUALITY: REALIZING THE RIGHTS OF PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES – HANDBOOK FOR PARLIAMENTARIANS (PUBLISHED JOINTLY WITH DESA AND IPU)

This *Handbook* aims to enable parliamentarians and others to understand and approach the rights of persons with disabilities. It describes the rationale for the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities, the history of its formulation, and its contents by scope and themes. The *Handbook* includes guidelines on the procedure to become a party to the Convention and an explanation of the mechanism for monitoring the implementation of the Convention and its optional protocol. It provides parliamentarians with guidance on ensuring and promoting the realization of the rights of persons with disabilities through domestic legislation and institutions for implementation and monitoring.

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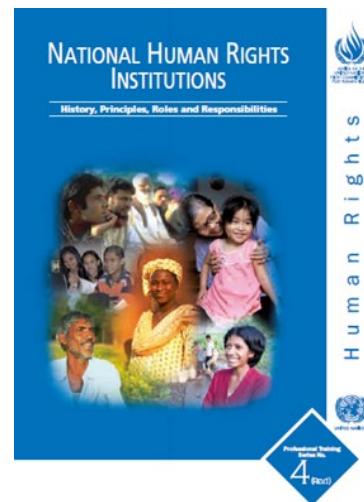


## NATIONAL HUMAN RIGHTS INSTITUTIONS: HISTORY, PRINCIPLES, ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

### SALES PUBLICATION

This publication introduces the reader to national human rights institutions. Its focus is on these institutions as both cornerstones of national human rights protection and promotion, and links between States and the international human rights system. Respect for human rights requires the concerted effort of every Government, individual, group and organ in society. The publication is intended for all those who seek a basic understanding of national human rights institutions, the work they do, how they interact with States, civil society and the international community, and how to support their work.

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## UNITED NATIONS DEVELOPMENT GROUP'S GUIDELINES ON INDIGENOUS PEOPLES' ISSUES

The purpose of the *Guidelines* is to assist the United Nations system to mainstream and integrate indigenous peoples' issues in processes for operational activities and programmes at the country level. The *Guidelines* set out the broad normative, policy and operational framework for implementing a human rights-based and culturally sensitive approach to development for and with indigenous peoples. They provide lines of action for planning, implementation and evaluation of programmes involving indigenous peoples, and a framework for duly integrating the principles of cultural diversity into United Nations country programmes.

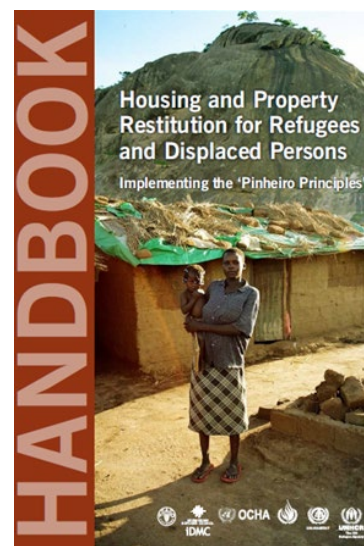
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## HANDBOOK ON HOUSING AND PROPERTY RESTITUTION FOR REFUGEES AND DISPLACED PERSONS: IMPLEMENTING THE "PINHEIRO PRINCIPLES"

**(PUBLISHED JOINTLY WITH OCHA/IDD, UN-HABITAT, UNHCR, FAO AND THE NORWEGIAN REFUGEE COUNCIL AND THE INTERNAL DISPLACEMENT MONITORING CENTRE)**

This *Handbook* presents practical guidance for officials working on housing and property restitution questions on how to most effectively promote the right of refugees and internally displaced persons to return to and re-inhabit the homes and properties from which they were originally displaced, and also how to find non-return-based durable solutions that include fully enforceable housing and property restitution rights, including compensation rights. The *Handbook* offers an interpretation of the 23 Pinheiro Principles on Housing and Property Restitution for Refugees and Displaced Persons adopted by the United Nations Sub-Commission on the Protection and Promotion of Human Rights in August 2005. For each principle, it provides general comment in the legal context, followed by typical scenarios with examples of applying the respective principle in actual situations. These examples are clarified by common questions addressing challenges and concerns that restitution practitioners may have in such situations. At the end of each principle, there is a section providing further



information on the background of the nature and origin of the principle as well as practices addressed by the principle.

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## HUMAN RIGHTS AND PRISONS TRAINING PACKAGE

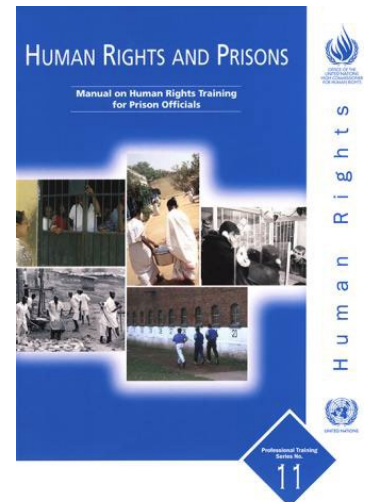
This training package includes four complementary publications. When taken together, they provide all the necessary elements for the conduct of human rights training programmes for prison officials, under the training approach developed by OHCHR.

### A MANUAL ON HUMAN RIGHTS TRAINING FOR PRISON OFFICIALS

#### SALES PUBLICATION

This *Manual* provides in-depth information on sources, systems and standards for human rights relating to the work of prison officials, practical recommendations, topics for discussion, case studies and checklists.

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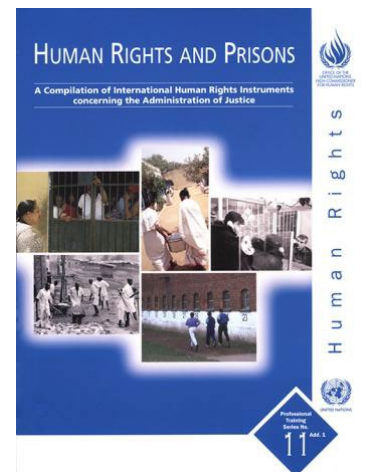


### A COMPILATION OF INTERNATIONAL HUMAN RIGHTS INSTRUMENTS CONCERNING THE ADMINISTRATION OF JUSTICE

#### SALES PUBLICATION

This *Compilation*, produced in collaboration with PRI and the International Centre for Prison Studies, includes excerpts and full texts of selected international human rights instruments.

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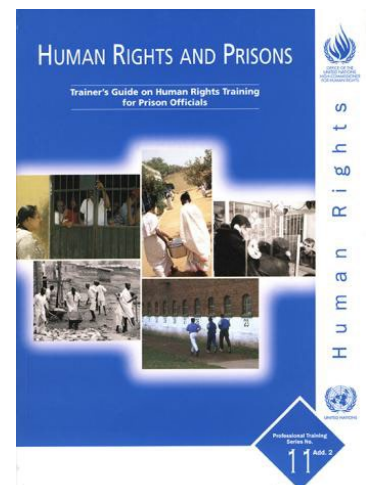


### A TRAINER'S GUIDE ON HUMAN RIGHTS TRAINING FOR PRISON OFFICIALS

#### SALES PUBLICATION

This *Trainer's Guide* provides instructions and tips for trainers to be used together with the *Manual* in conducting training courses for prison officials.

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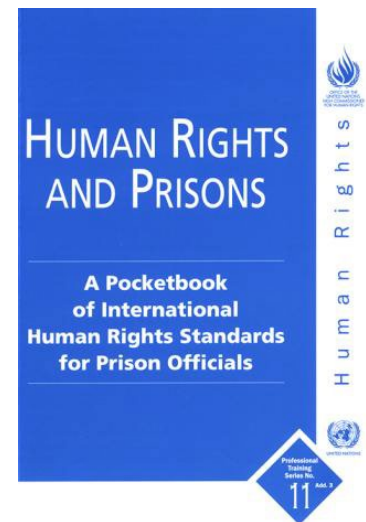


## A POCKETBOOK OF INTERNATIONAL HUMAN RIGHTS STANDARDS FOR PRISON OFFICIALS

### SALES PUBLICATION

This *Pocketbook* is designed to be a readily accessible and portable reference for prison officials, containing a comprehensive collection of point-form standards organized according to prison officials' duties and functions and referenced with detailed footnotes.

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## HUMAN RIGHTS AND LAW ENFORCEMENT TRAINING PACKAGE

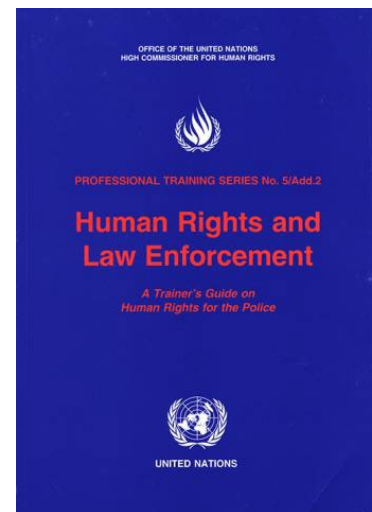
This is a three-part package of materials on human rights training for the police, which is designed to provide all the necessary elements to conduct human rights training programmes for law enforcement officials in accordance with the approach developed by OHCHR.

### A MANUAL ON HUMAN RIGHTS TRAINING FOR THE POLICE

#### SALES PUBLICATION

This *Manual* is intended for police trainers and training institutions, national police officials (civilian and military), and civilian police components of United Nations peace-keeping operations.

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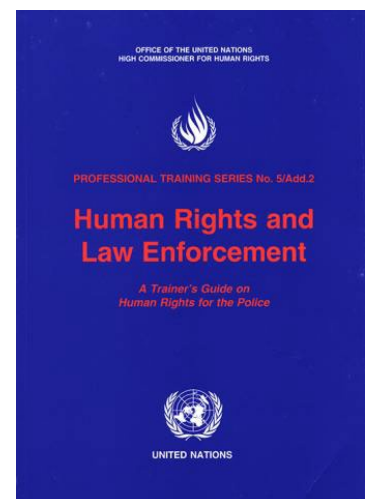


### A TRAINER'S GUIDE ON HUMAN RIGHTS FOR THE POLICE

#### SALES PUBLICATION

This *Trainer's Guide* provides session outlines on a full range of human rights topics, group exercises, and instructions and tips for trainers. It also includes a number of training tools such as overhead transparencies used in conducting police training courses.

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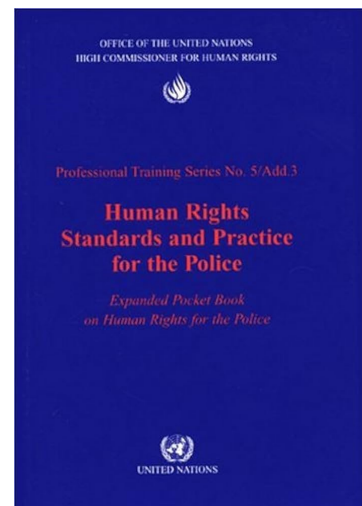


## HUMAN RIGHTS STANDARDS AND PRACTICES FOR THE POLICE: EXPANDED POCKETBOOK ON HUMAN RIGHTS FOR THE POLICE

### SALES PUBLICATION

The *Pocketbook* is a readily accessible and portable reference tool for police officers. It is organized into major human rights topics of concern to the police, such as investigations, arrest, detention and the use of force. The publication also includes the relevant international human rights standards, followed by a “practice” section containing recommendations for applying those standards.

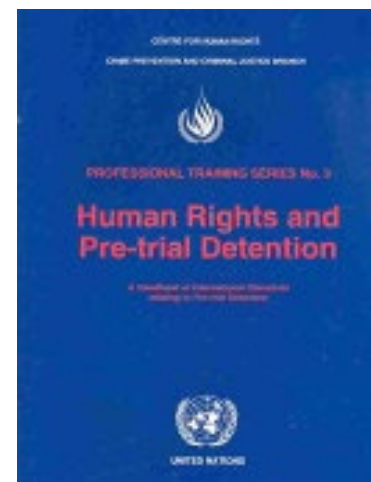
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## HUMAN RIGHTS AND PRE-TRIAL DETENTION: A HANDBOOK OF INTERNATIONAL STANDARDS RELATING TO PRE-TRIAL DETENTION

This *Handbook* aims to increase awareness of the international standards which exist in the area of pre-trial detention as well as of interpretive material relating to those standards. The publication offers advisory, rather than compulsory guidelines to criminal justice practitioners. The *Handbook* includes practical steps for the implementation of existing standards on the treatment of offenders, as applied to the situation of pre-trial and administrative detainees. It is intended to assist States in response to resolution 17 on pre-trial detention adopted by the Eighth United Nations Congress on the Prevention of Crime and the Treatment of Offenders.

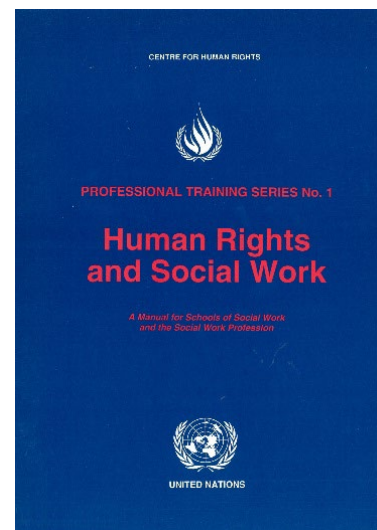
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## HUMAN RIGHTS AND SOCIAL WORK: A MANUAL FOR SCHOOLS OF SOCIAL WORK AND THE SOCIAL WORK PROFESSION

This *Manual* aims to provide social work students, teaching staff and practising social workers with an understanding and awareness of human rights issues and concerns for social justice. The *Manual* explains the rationale for human rights in social work and describes the conceptual development of human rights; elaborates on international and regional human rights instruments; and discusses human rights in the social work practice based on common themes and vulnerable groups. The *Manual* includes the full text of the International Bill of Human Rights.

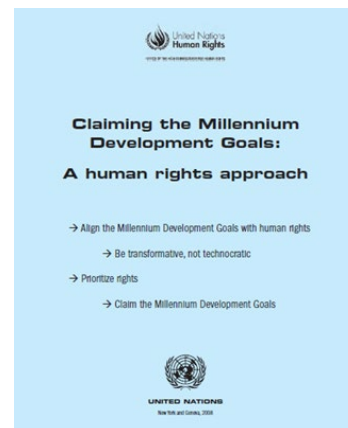
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## CLAIMING THE MILLENNIUM DEVELOPMENT GOALS: A HUMAN RIGHTS APPROACH

The Millennium Development Goals are time-bound development targets that address many dimensions of poverty, such as hunger, disease, inadequate water supplies and lack of education. This publication sets out a human rights approach to these Goals, the primary purpose of which is to outline a clear framework of analysis for the development sector, relevant also to the needs of human rights practitioners, identifying entry points at the policy level as well as for country-level programming and advocacy. Practical illustrations are provided throughout, along with suggested additional indicators for particular Millennium Development Goals, as contributions to sectoral strategies and Goal monitoring and reporting.

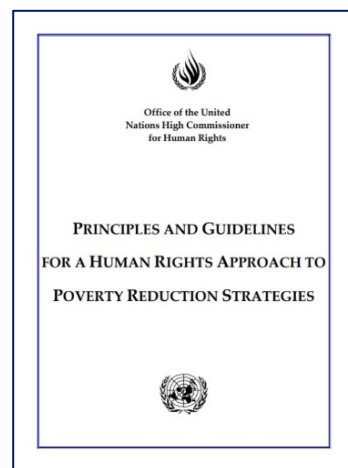
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## PRINCIPLES AND GUIDELINES FOR A HUMAN RIGHTS APPROACH TO POVERTY REDUCTION STRATEGIES

This publication aims to assist countries, international agencies and development practitioners in translating human rights norms, standards and principles into pro-poor policies and strategies. The work here builds upon several previous publications of the OHCHR. This tool can be put to use at country level in enhancing the quality, impact and sustainability of national poverty reduction strategies.

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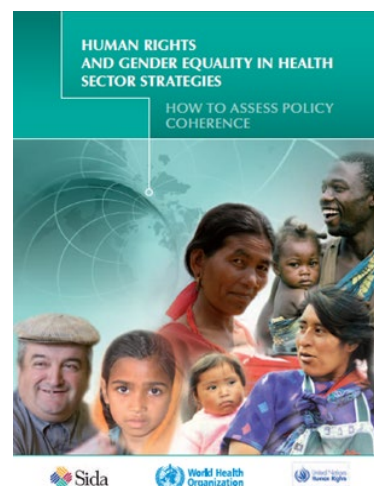


## HUMAN RIGHTS AND GENDER EQUALITY IN HEALTH SECTOR STRATEGIES: HOW TO ASSESS POLICY COHERENCE

(PUBLISHED JOINTLY WITH THE WORLD HEALTH ORGANIZATION AND THE SWEDISH INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT COOPERATION AGENCY)

This tool is designed to support countries to strengthen national health strategies. The publication poses critical questions to identify gaps and opportunities in the review or reform of health sector strategies. Analysis tables include critical questions rooted in international human rights and gender equality principles to trace country commitments and obligations through international commitments; national legal and policy frameworks; and health sector strategies. The third assessment level includes analysis tables dedicated to each building block of a health system in addition to an overarching table that maps out process issues when developing a health sector strategy. All assessment levels aim to enable national health teams to identify gaps and entry points for reducing health inequities through upholding State commitments and obligations on human rights, gender equality and health.

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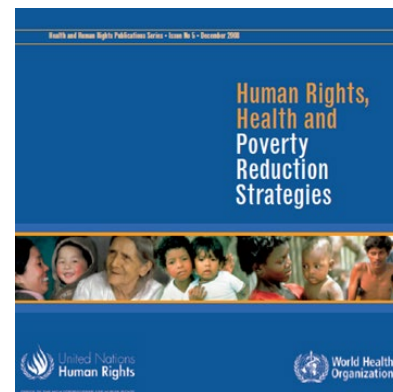




## HUMAN RIGHTS, HEALTH AND POVERTY REDUCTION STRATEGIES (PUBLISHED JOINTLY WITH WHO)

The task of addressing poverty, health and human rights cannot be handled by any single global institution and requires rigorous interdisciplinary and coordinated action. This is why OHCHR and WHO have worked together with a range of stakeholders to develop this guide. The publication is intended as a tool for health policymakers to design, implement and monitor a poverty reduction strategy through a human rights-based approach. It contains practical guidance and suggestions as well as good practice examples from around the world.

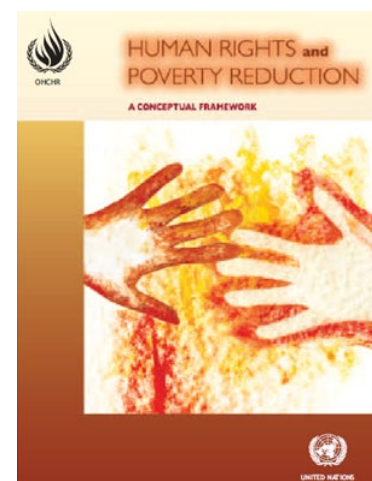
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## HUMAN RIGHTS AND POVERTY REDUCTION: A CONCEPTUAL FRAMEWORK

This publication forms part of the United Nations' efforts to integrate human rights into its work. It argues that attention to human rights helps to ensure that the concerns of poor people are central to the formulation of Poverty Reduction Strategies. The publication presents a human rights approach to poverty reduction, which includes empowerment and participation; recognition of the national and international human rights framework; accountability; non-discrimination and equality and progressive realization. The publication explains that a human rights approach to poverty is fundamentally about empowering the poor. While poverty may be defined as the absence of only some human rights, an effective anti-poverty strategy would have to address a wider range of human rights. For these rights to be realized, certain frameworks must be in place, to ensure that poverty reduction becomes a legal obligation and not charity or a moral obligation. The publication elaborates on this framework.

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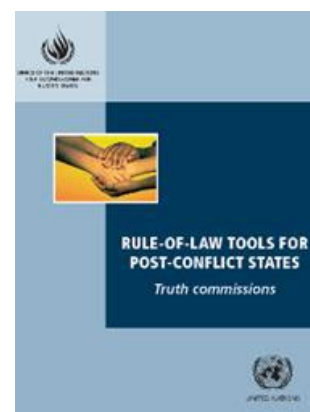
## RULE-OF-LAW TOOLS FOR POST-CONFLICT STATES

In 2003, OHCHR, as the United Nations focal point for coordinating system-wide attention for human rights, democracy and the rule of law, began to develop Rule-of-Law Tools to ensure sustainable, long-term institutional capacity within United Nations missions and transitional administrations to respond to these demands. The Rule-of-Law Tools aim to provide practical guidance to field missions and transitional administrations in critical transitional justice and rule of law-related areas. Each tool can stand on its own, but also fits into a coherent operational perspective. The Tools are intended to outline the basic principles involved in: Mapping the Justice Sector, Prosecution Initiatives, Truth Commissions, Vetting and Monitoring Legal Systems.

### TRUTH COMMISSIONS

#### SALES PUBLICATION

This publication sets out basic principles and approaches to truth commissions and is intended to assist United Nations and other policymakers in advising on the development of truth-seeking mechanisms. The principles used in this tool have been primarily garnered from previous experience and lessons learned in the



implementation of these techniques and mechanisms in United Nations field missions, including those in Sierra Leone and Timor-Leste.

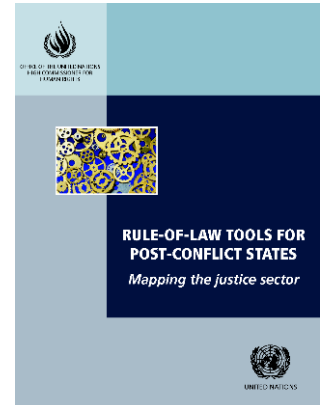
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## MAPPING THE JUSTICE SECTOR

### SALES PUBLICATION

This publication addresses the issue of mapping the justice sector and some key related institutions and is intended to assist United Nations field staff in understanding how the justice sector actually worked in the State prior to and during the conflict, and how it should function if the rule of law is to take root. It provides an overview of the key institutions, related entities or mechanisms, and identifies priorities such as the linkages between core institutions and the utility of oversight bodies. The principles used in these tools have been primarily garnered from previous experience and lessons learned in United Nations field presences.

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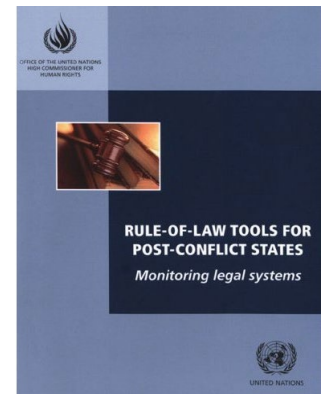


## MONITORING LEGAL SYSTEMS

### SALES PUBLICATION

This publication addresses human rights monitoring of the justice system through the creation of a methodology. This tool is intended to reflect a comprehensive overview of the principles, techniques and approaches involved in legal systems monitoring, principles which have been primarily garnered from previous experience and lessons learned from United Nations, Organization for Security and Co-operation in Europe and non-governmental organization legal systems monitoring programmes. The objective of this tool is to provide a framework for developing a monitoring programme to analyse institutions and the justice system as a whole from which good practices can be reinforced and bad practices or deficiencies addressed.

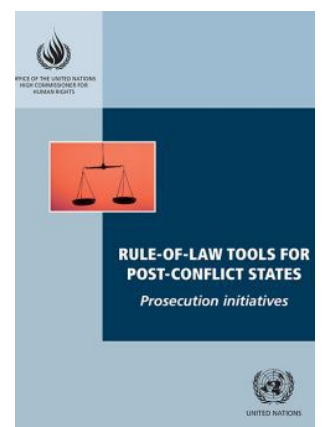
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## PROSECUTION INITIATIVES

### SALES PUBLICATION

This publication sets out basic considerations on prosecution initiatives, and is intended to assist United Nations field staff when advising on approaches to addressing the challenges of prosecuting perpetrators of crimes such as genocide, crimes against humanity and war crimes. The focus of this guidance is mainly on the strategic and technical challenges that these prosecutions face domestically, and sets out the principal considerations that should be applied to all prosecutorial initiatives: the need for a clear political commitment to accountability; the need for a clear strategy; the need to ensure that initiatives are endowed with the necessary capacity and technical ability to investigate and prosecute the crimes in question; the need to pay particular attention to victims; and the need to have a clear understanding of the relevant law and an appreciation of trial management skills, as well as a strong commitment to due process.



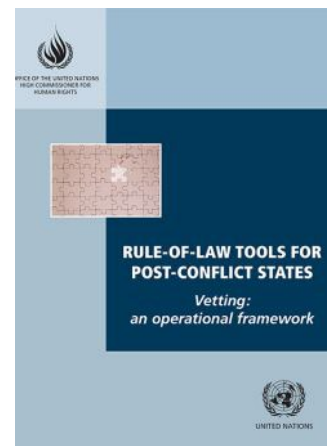
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## VETTING – AN OPERATIONAL FRAMEWORK

### SALES PUBLICATION

Countries emerging from conflict and crisis are vulnerable to weak or non-existent rule of law, inadequate law enforcement and justice administration capacity, and increased instances of human rights violations. This situation is often exacerbated by a lack of public confidence in State authorities and a shortage of resources. This publication sets out an operational framework for vetting and institutional reform and is intended to assist United Nations field staff in advising on approaches to addressing the challenges of institutional and personnel reform in post-conflict States through the creation of vetting processes that exclude from public institutions persons who lack integrity.

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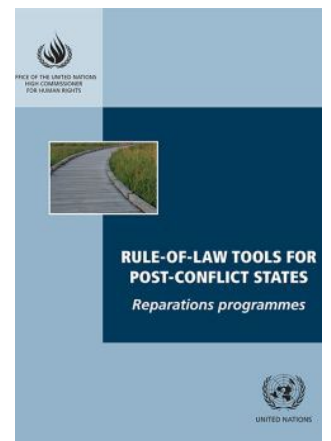


## REPARATIONS PROGRAMMES

### SALES PUBLICATION

In response to the myriad violations and abuses of fundamental rights that take place particularly during conflicts and under authoritarian regimes, a variety of measures have been developed. This publication reviews some of the relevant international law instruments on reparations, and raises some of the most difficult challenges that reparations programmes have faced in different parts of the world. It is a practical tool to provide guidance on implementing reparations initiatives and focuses on how to establish (out-of-court) fair and effective reparations programmes in close association with other justice initiatives and with the participation of various stakeholders to help redress cases of gross and serious violations of human rights in the wake of conflict or authoritarian rule.

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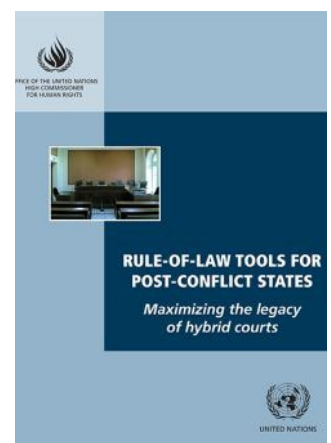


## MAXIMIZING THE LEGACY OF HYBRID COURTS

### SALES PUBLICATION

This tool explores how hybrid courts can receive the mandates and political support required to be more effective in building capacity and bestowing an enduring legacy upon the justice system. Grounded in international human rights standards and inspired by best practices, this publication provides the indispensable information required to target interventions with regard to hybrid courts in particular, as well as domestic legal reform in general. Its goal is not dictating strategic and programmatic decision-making, since this must be shaped in the field as an appropriate response to specific circumstances and environments.

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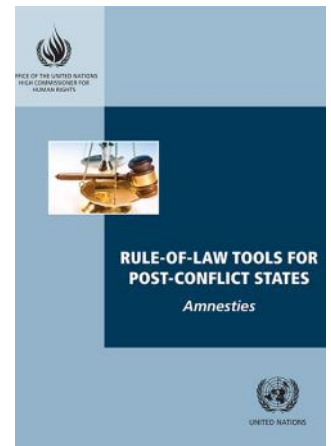


## AMNESTIES

### SALES PUBLICATION

This tool identifies core principles that should guide United Nations personnel when confronted with draft amnesties that may be inconsistent with international law and United Nations policy. Examples of amnesties are provided to illustrate the rules of international law that are applicable when assessing an amnesty. This publication further considers the relationship between amnesties and various processes of transitional justice and provides guidance to practitioners who may encounter questions when seeking to apply the principles summarized in *Amnesties* to ambiguous situations in the field.

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## NATIONAL CONSULTATIONS ON TRANSITIONAL JUSTICE

### SALES PUBLICATION

*National Consultations* identifies the main applicable human rights instruments, and discusses the focus and the form of national consultations. In providing guidance to practitioners, this publication further considers various issues important for the conduct of such consultations, including preparations, when and where to consult and for how long, who should conduct the consultations and who should be consulted, protection-related and ethical considerations, reporting and follow-up.

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## ARCHIVES

### SALES PUBLICATION

This tool aims to provide guidance to United Nations field missions, transitional administrations and civil society on the management, reform, use and preservation of archives to help guarantee and enforce human rights, particularly the right to the truth. The tool focuses on the means to strengthen archives through the identification of good practice for the management of different types of records and archives, highlighting considerations and issues for reform, and setting out steps and strategies. It also addresses which records are the most pertinent to various transitional justice processes and identify key issues for the preservation of the records they produce.

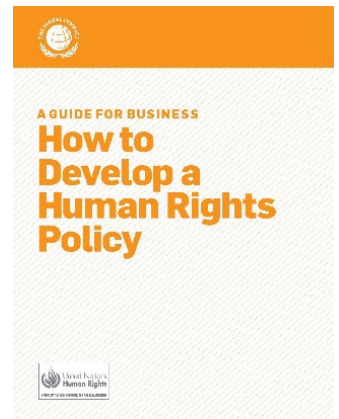
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**A GUIDE FOR BUSINESS: HOW TO DEVELOP A HUMAN RIGHTS POLICY  
(PUBLISHED JOINTLY WITH THE UNITED NATIONS GLOBAL COMPACT)**

This *Guide* provides instruction on how businesses can develop and implement a human rights policy within their companies. It explains why companies have a responsibility to respect human rights; why it is necessary for them to develop a human rights policy to provide a basis for embedding the responsibility to respect human rights through all business functions; and how to get started in developing a human rights policy and the path to implementation.

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**A GUIDE FOR INTEGRATING HUMAN RIGHTS INTO BUSINESS MANAGEMENT, 1ST EDITION**

**(PUBLISHED JOINTLY WITH THE BUSINESS LEADERS INITIATIVE ON HUMAN RIGHTS AND THE UNITED NATIONS GLOBAL COMPACT)**

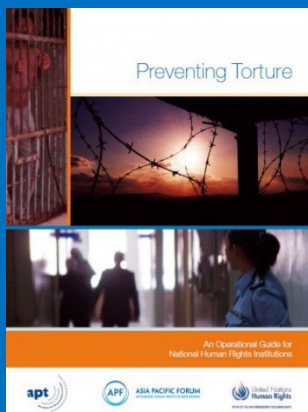
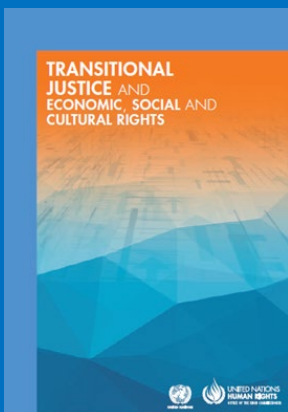
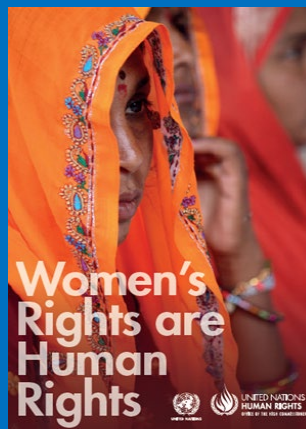
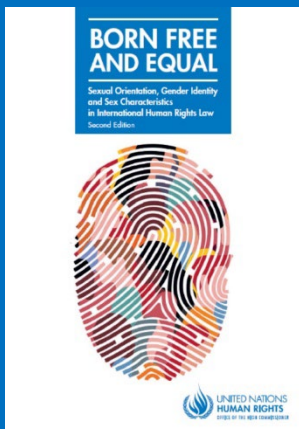
This *Guide* is based on the accumulated experience of the ten companies in the BLIHR — ABB, Barclays, Gap, Hewlett-Packard, MTV Networks Europe, National Grid, Novartis, Novo Nordisk, Statoil and The Body Shop International — in implementing human rights. This experience is supplemented with practical examples of human rights implementation from other companies including BP, Carrefour, Cemex, Codelco, Copel, Eskom, Li & Fung (Trading), MAS Holdings, Shell, Taj Hotels, Tata Enterprises, Telefonica and Valeo.

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# SPECIAL ISSUES

Special Issue publications explore selected subjects in greater depth. The subjects are chosen in the light of their topicality, urgency and recent developments that have led to a change of perspective or emphasis.

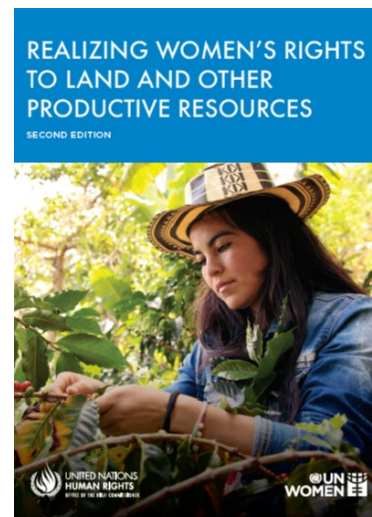


## REALIZING WOMEN'S RIGHTS TO LAND AND OTHER PRODUCTIVE RESOURCES SECOND EDITION

(PUBLISHED JOINTLY WITH UN WOMEN)

Women's rights to land and other productive resources are essential to realizing their rights to equality and to an adequate standard of living, among many other human rights. Women's secure access to land and resources supports their independence and autonomy, provides for their day-to-day needs and those of their families and allows them to weather some of life's most difficult challenges. Realizing women's land rights is an integral part of the gender-responsive implementation of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development. This second edition, co-published by OHCHR and UN Women, aims to provide guidance to lawmakers and policymakers, as well as civil society organizations and other stakeholders, on supporting the adoption and effective implementation of laws, policies and programmes to respect, protect and fulfil women's rights to land and other productive resources. The publication also provides recommendations for realizing women's rights to land and other productive resources based on promising practices and lessons learned from around the world, which have been supplemented by explanatory comments. OHCHR and UN Women hope that relevant stakeholders will apply the approaches outlined in this revised edition in the contexts in which they live and work, in their efforts towards the fulfilment of women's rights to land and other productive resources.

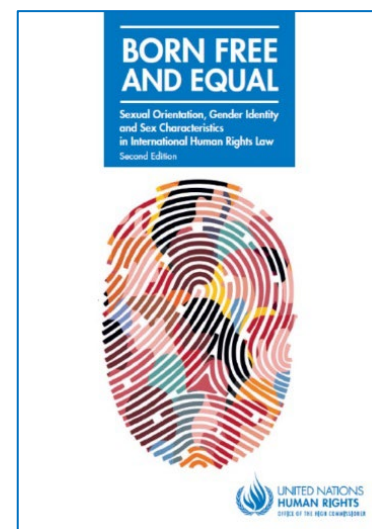
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## BORN FREE AND EQUAL: SEXUAL ORIENTATION, GENDER IDENTITY AND SEX CHARACTERISTICS IN INTERNATIONAL HUMAN RIGHTS LAW (SECOND EDITION)

This second edition of *Born Free and Equal* takes into account developments since the publication of the first edition in 2012, including decisions by the United Nations, and regional and national human rights bodies. It sets out the source and scope of the legal obligations of Member States in respect of the rights of LGBTI people, and also integrates, for the first time, recommendations in respect of the rights of intersex persons. It is designed as a tool for States, to help them better understand the nature of their obligations and the steps required to meet them, as well as for civil society activists, human rights defenders and others seeking to hold Governments to account for breaches of international human rights law.

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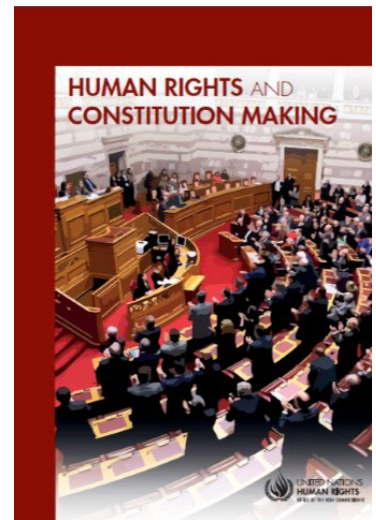


## HUMAN RIGHTS AND CONSTITUTION MAKING

### SALES PUBLICATION

*Human Rights and Constitution Making* aims to offer guidance to United Nations colleagues who provide human rights advice and technical cooperation services to States in the amendment of their existing constitutions and in the writing of new ones. This publication should also be of use to States that undertake constitutional reform, including political leaders, policymakers, legislators and those entrusted to draft constitutional amendments or a new constitution. In addition, this resource tool should facilitate advocacy efforts by civil society to ensure that human rights are properly reflected in constitutional amendments or new constitutions. Along with the international human rights instruments, this publication should not only provide a standard to measure whether constitutional amendments or new constitutions have appropriately reflected human rights and fundamental freedoms, but also assist in evaluating whether the processes used in constitutional reform are consistent with international procedural norms.

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## HUMAN RIGHTS: HANDBOOK FOR PARLIAMENTARIANS, REVISED EDITION (PUBLISHED JOINTLY WITH IPU)

This updated version of the 2005 *Handbook for Parliamentarians* was jointly prepared by OHCHR and the Inter-Parliamentary Union (IPU). The *Handbook* is based on the conviction that parliaments and their members can play a key role in delivering concretely on human rights. With brief presentations of the international human rights legal framework and international mechanisms which oversee its implementation at the national level, the *Handbook* looks at how parliaments can contribute to greater human rights protection. The United Nations and its human rights mechanisms, are increasingly reaching out to members of parliament, recognizing that their support is essential to ensuring real and meaningful change for people's lives across the globe. It is the hope of both IPU and OHCHR that the women and men of every national parliament will use this *Handbook* to guide their work to deliver that change.

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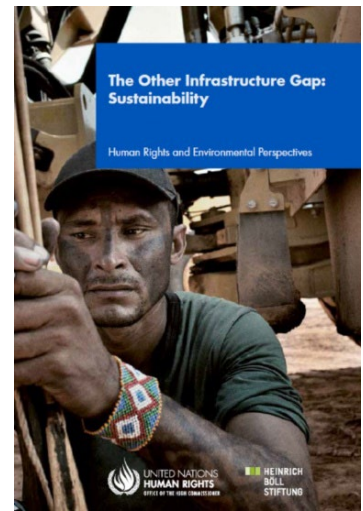


## THE OTHER INFRASTRUCTURE GAP: SUSTAINABILITY – HUMAN RIGHTS AND ENVIRONMENTAL PERSPECTIVES

(PUBLISHED JOINTLY WITH THE HEINRICH BOELL FOUNDATION)

Mega-infrastructure plans and financing and investment policies to promote private investments in the energy, transport and water sectors are on the rise. This publication provides recommendations to policy- and decision-makers on how human rights and environmental benefits can be maximized and risks avoided or mitigated, for the sake of sustainable development. The recommendations call on both the State, relevant international organizations and private actors to understand the potential human rights and environmental impacts of mega-infrastructure projects. The publication also highlights the positive economic and social benefits of human rights and environmental risk avoidance and mitigation, and of prioritizing the rights of women, indigenous peoples and other population groups who may lack access to affordable infrastructure services.

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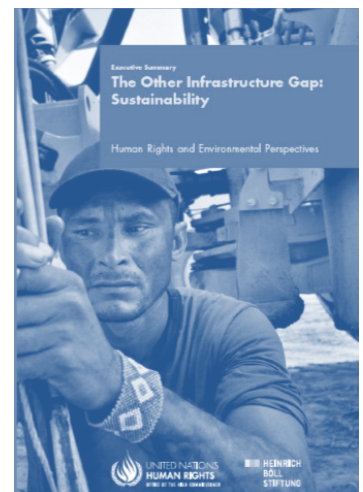
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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

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This is a summary version of the full-length publication, which highlights the recommendations and conclusions in a concise and easy-to-read format.

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## REALIZING HUMAN RIGHTS THROUGH GOVERNMENT BUDGETS

(PUBLISHED JOINTLY WITH THE INTERNATIONAL BUDGET PARTNERSHIP)

A government's budget is the most important economic policy and planning document, and is an essential means by which to assess government's efforts for the realization of human rights. This joint OHCHR-IBP publication explores the linkages between obligations under international human rights law and budget policies and processes. It seeks to sensitize government officials to better understand their human rights obligations as they decide budget allocations, implement planned expenditures, and assess the budget's impact on the realization of human rights. It also aims to provide non-governmental actors with information about the relationship between human rights and budget processes/specific budget decisions, so that they are better able to hold their governments to account. This is especially important for the poorest and most marginalized groups, as they are more dependent on government programmes to realize their rights than those who are better off.

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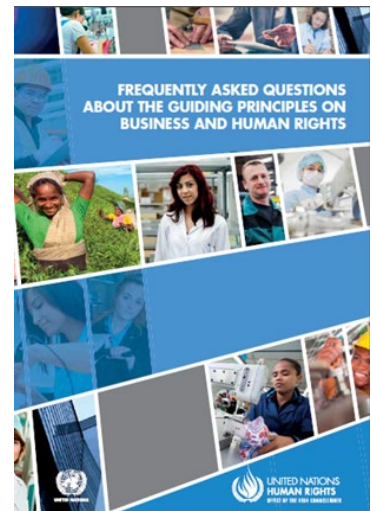


## FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS ABOUT THE GUIDING PRINCIPLES ON BUSINESS AND HUMAN RIGHTS

### SALES PUBLICATION

This publication aims to explain the background and contents of the *Guiding Principles* and how they relate to the broader human rights system and other frameworks. It is not intended as operational guidance, but does list such guidance and other resources to support practical implementation. It aims to help both practitioners and newcomers to navigate the *Guiding Principles* and improve their understanding of the principles by placing these in context. The publication covers many issues that were the subject of extensive consultations during the development of the *Guiding Principles* and answers questions that were raised by stakeholders both before and after their endorsement by the Human Rights Council. This title is intended to serve as a companion to the *Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights* and the *Interpretive Guide on the Corporate Responsibility to Respect Human Rights*.

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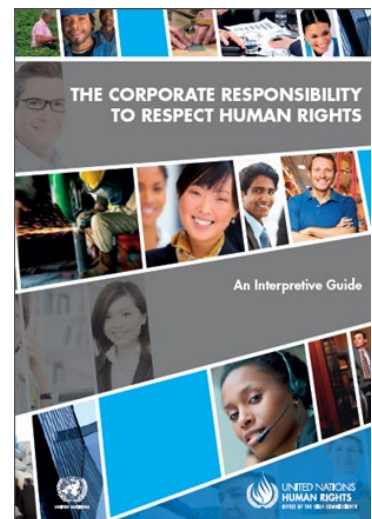


## THE CORPORATE RESPONSIBILITY TO RESPECT HUMAN RIGHTS: AN INTERPRETIVE GUIDE

### SALES PUBLICATION

This *Guide* provides additional background explanation to the *Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights* to support a full understanding of their meaning and intent. It does not change or add to the provisions of the *Guiding Principles* or to the expectations that they set for business. The *Guide* is not an operational manual that will explain exactly how to put the *Guiding Principles* into practice. It is a resource for business, Governments, civil society, investors, lawyers and others who engage with business on human rights.

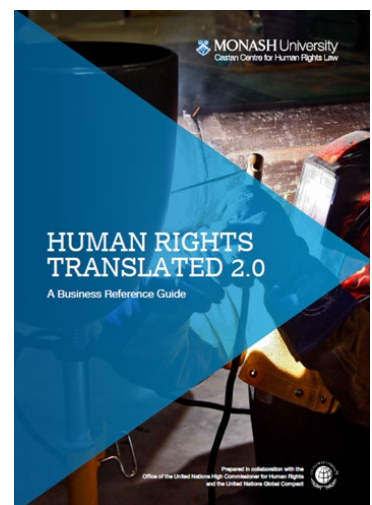
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## HUMAN RIGHTS TRANSLATED 2.0: A BUSINESS REFERENCE GUIDE (PREPARED IN COLLABORATION WITH MONASH UNIVERSITY'S CASTAN CENTRE FOR HUMAN RIGHTS LAW AND THE UNITED NATIONS GLOBAL COMPACT OFFICE)

Following the success of the first edition, this revised *Human Rights Translated 2.0: A Business Reference Guide* aims to explain universally recognized human rights in a way that makes sense to business. It also illustrates, through the use of real-life case studies and suggested practical actions, how human rights are relevant in a corporate context and how human rights issues can be managed. The publication also includes updated information on legal developments, relevant international standards, industry guidelines and existing good practices.

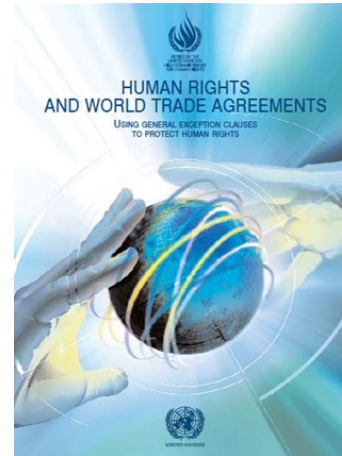
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## HUMAN RIGHTS AND WORLD TRADE AGREEMENTS: USING GENERAL EXCEPTION CLAUSES TO PROTECT HUMAN RIGHTS

The relationship between trade and human rights has come under increasing scrutiny in recent years. While trade can be an engine for the economic growth needed to combat poverty and promote development, it can also threaten human rights in some situations. The objective of this publication is to provoke discussion on the use of general exception clauses in World Trade Organization agreements as a means of ensuring that trade agreements maintain the flexibility needed for WTO members to meet their obligations under international human rights law. In particular, it sets out to demonstrate how three specific exceptions – allowing States to take measures to protect public morals, human life or health, and public order – could be relevant to human rights.

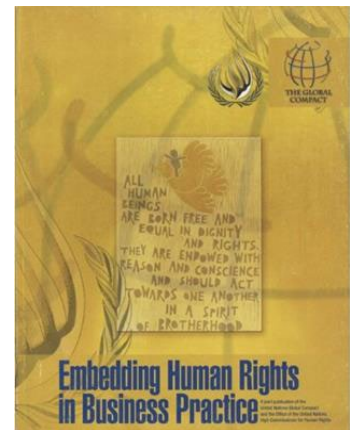
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## EMBEDDING HUMAN RIGHTS INTO BUSINESS PRACTICE (PUBLISHED JOINTLY WITH THE UNITED NATIONS GLOBAL COMPACT)

This first volume explores how businesses are trying to implement the human rights principles using five case studies. These case studies are about activities undertaken by BP, Hewlett Packard, BHP Billiton, Novo Nordisk and Total.

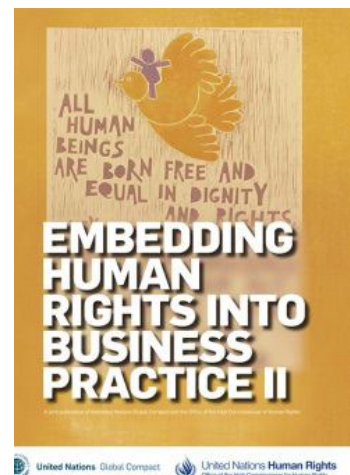
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## EMBEDDING HUMAN RIGHTS INTO BUSINESS PRACTICE II (PUBLISHED JOINTLY WITH THE UNITED NATIONS GLOBAL COMPACT)

This publication analyses the two human rights principles of the *Global Compact* in depth, and explores their practical meaning. The report is based on the policy reports and actual practice of four companies. The conclusion is that a proactive approach to securing human rights contributes to a company's ability to counter risks in the area and maintain its licenses.

**Publication date:** 2009 **Language:** English **Format:** Electronic ([OHCHR website](#) and [UN Global Compact website](#))



## BUSINESS AND HUMAN RIGHTS: A PROGRESS REPORT

This report takes stock of the progress made by the business community in giving effect to the human rights principles of the *Global Compact* that businesses should support and respect the protection of internationally proclaimed human rights within their sphere of influence; and ensure that they are not complicit in human rights abuses. In this report, we first ask why human rights are important to business, what human rights are from the business perspective, where human rights standards and guidelines can be found and how to move from a statement of principle to real practice. The report highlights the expanding relationship between the United Nations and the business community, in working together for basic social values. It also focuses on progress made by companies in taking on board human rights and in turning commitment to principle to verifiable operational activities on the ground.

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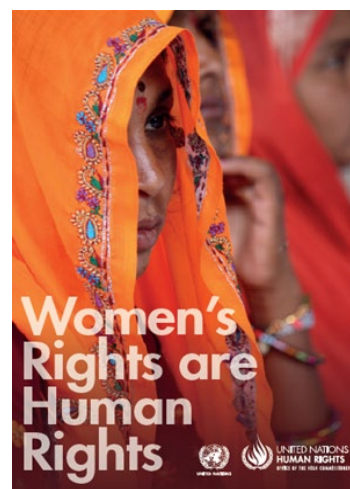


## WOMEN'S RIGHTS ARE HUMAN RIGHTS

### SALES PUBLICATION

This publication provides an introduction to women's human rights, beginning with the main provisions in international human rights law and going on to explain particularly relevant concepts for fully understanding women's human rights. Finally, selected areas of women's human rights are examined together with information on the main work of United Nations human rights mechanisms and others pertaining to these topics. The aim of the publication is to offer a basic understanding of the human rights of women as a whole, but because of the wide variety of issues relevant to women's human rights, it should not be considered exhaustive.

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**Languages:** Arabic • Chinese • English • French • Russian • Spanish **Formats:** Print (A4, soft cover) • Electronic ([OHCHR website](#) and [Shop.un.org](#))



## REPRODUCTIVE RIGHTS ARE HUMAN RIGHTS: A HANDBOOK FOR NATIONAL HUMAN RIGHTS INSTITUTIONS

(PUBLISHED JOINTLY WITH UNFPA AND THE DANISH INSTITUTE FOR HUMAN RIGHTS)

This *Handbook* is a joint publication of OHCHR, UNFPA and the Danish Institute for Human Rights. It aims to provide National Human Rights Institutions (NHRIs) with tools and guidance on how to integrate reproductive rights in their work. Each NHRI is as unique as the country in which it has been established, but that does not mean that many of the challenges, including within the field of reproductive rights, are not the same or similar for many NHRIs. This publication provides an introduction to reproductive rights, both what they mean in practice and their normative background, and how NHRIs can work within this field. Naturally, many NHRIs already work within the reproductive rights field, and a number of experiences from NHRIs have been gathered and are mentioned in the Handbook.

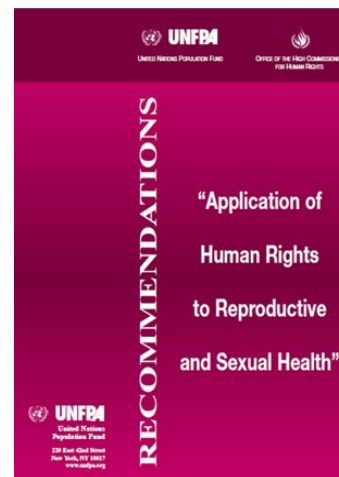
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## APPLICATION OF HUMAN RIGHTS TO REPRODUCTIVE AND SEXUAL HEALTH (PUBLISHED JOINTLY WITH UNFPA)

The meeting examined, in particular, three issues of considerable importance to sexual and reproductive health, in order to assess the impact of clinical services, health systems and other underlying social, economic, legal and political factors on the enjoyment of sexual and reproductive health and rights, and to identify the positive measures which States are required to take under relevant treaty provisions to ensure the enjoyment of those rights. The three areas were unsafe abortion, adolescents' access to sexual and reproductive health, and HIV/AIDS. The recommendations for action are grouped into three main areas: advocacy, information gathering and reporting process, and national level implementation.

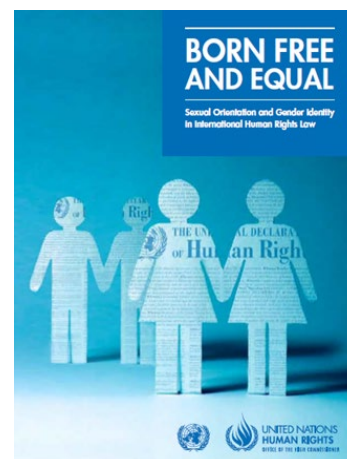
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## BORN FREE AND EQUAL: SEXUAL ORIENTATION AND GENDER IDENTITY IN INTERNATIONAL HUMAN RIGHTS LAW (FIRST EDITION)

For the past 18 years, United Nations human rights treaty bodies and special procedures have documented widespread violations of the human rights of lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender (LGBT) people and have analysed State compliance with international human rights law. Reported violations include, but are not limited to, killings, rape and physical attacks, torture, arbitrary detention, the denial of rights to assembly, expression and information, and discrimination in employment, health and education and access to goods and services. In each case, the victims involved are targeted either because they are, or are assumed to be, lesbian, gay, bisexual or transgender. The mere perception of homosexuality or transgender identity is often enough to put people at risk. *Born Free and Equal* (the title is inspired by the opening words of article 1 of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights) sets out the source and scope of some of the core legal obligations that States have to protect the human rights of LGBT people. It is intended to help States better understand the nature of their obligations and the steps required to meet them. It also provides potentially useful information to civil society, human rights defenders and others seeking to hold Governments to account for breaches of international human rights law.

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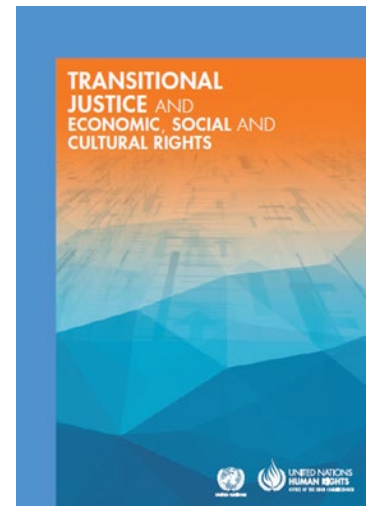
## TRANSITIONAL JUSTICE AND ECONOMIC, SOCIAL AND CULTURAL RIGHTS

### SALES PUBLICATION

This publication explores the ways in which transitional justice processes have addressed violations of economic, social and cultural rights, so as to gain to gain a better understanding of the potential challenges and limitations, and to provide stakeholders with recommendations.

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Sales: E.14.XIV.3 Publication date: January 2014 Languages: Arabic • Chinese • English • French • Russian • Spanish Formats: Print (A5, soft cover) • Electronic (OHCHR website)



## REALIZING THE RIGHT TO DEVELOPMENT: ESSAYS IN COMMEMORATION OF 25 YEARS OF THE UNITED NATIONS DECLARATION ON THE RIGHT TO DEVELOPMENT

### SALES PUBLICATION

In commemoration of the twenty-fifth anniversary of the United Nations Declaration on the Right to Development, this publication presents for the first time a wide range of in-depth analytical studies by more than 30 international experts covering the context, meaning and application of this right and its potential to shape human rights and development policy and practice. Together they support the concept of an enabling environment for development that would ensure freedom from want and freedom from fear for all people. Taken together, the contributions to this publication illustrate the far-reaching potential of the right to development and its relevance more than 25 years after the adoption of the Declaration. They make the case for reinvigorating this right in order to realize its added value to advancing human rights, development, and peace and security in an increasingly interdependent, fragile and changing world, including in the post-2015 agenda for sustainable development.

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## REALIZING THE RIGHT TO DEVELOPMENT: ESSAYS IN COMMEMORATION OF 25 YEARS OF THE UNITED NATIONS DECLARATION ON THE RIGHT TO DEVELOPMENT: SHORT INTRODUCTION PRESENTING COMPONENTS OF THE BOOK

This booklet serves as a short introduction to the publication *Realizing the Right to Development: Essays in Commemoration of 25 Years of the United Nations Declaration on the Right to Development*.

Publication date: September 2013 Languages: Arabic • Chinese • English • French • Russian • Spanish Formats: Print (A5, self-made cover) • Electronic (OHCHR website)



**IMPLEMENTING THE UN DECLARATION ON THE RIGHTS OF INDIGENOUS PEOPLES: HANDBOOK FOR PARLIAMENTARIANS (PUBLISHED JOINTLY WITH IPU, UNDP, UNDESA AND IFAD)**



Parliaments play a central role in enacting legislation that recognizes indigenous peoples' rights and adopting budgetary measures to implement those rights, both of which are critical enablers to drive the implementation of the UN Declaration at the national level. This *Handbook* aims to be a practical instrument to enable parliamentarians around the world to understand indigenous peoples' rights better and to provide practical ideas for the implementation of the UN Declaration. It also presents good practices in relation to the recognition and exercise of indigenous peoples' rights in different regions of the world. The publication is the result of cooperation between the SPFI, OHCHR, IFAD, UNDP and IPU.

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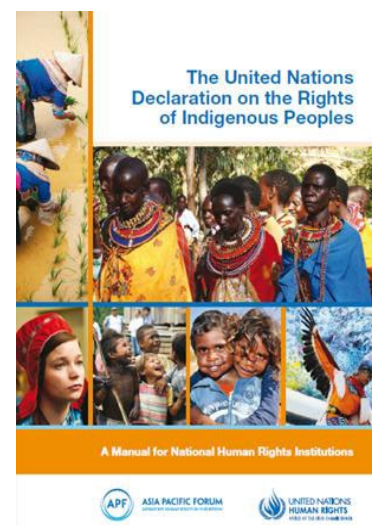


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**THE UNITED NATIONS DECLARATION ON THE RIGHTS OF INDIGENOUS PEOPLES: A MANUAL FOR NATIONAL HUMAN RIGHTS INSTITUTIONS (PUBLISHED JOINTLY WITH THE ASIA PACIFIC FORUM)**

This joint OHCHR and Asia Pacific Forum of National Human Rights Institutions is part of our continuing efforts to fill these gaps, to promote the Declaration and to further its practical implementation. It aims at increased engagement by one key actor in ensuring that human rights, including indigenous peoples' rights, become a reality: national human rights institutions. This *Manual* seeks to support and strengthen the work of national human rights institutions in the promotion, protection and enjoyment of the rights of indigenous peoples, especially NHRIs that are established in accordance with the Paris Principles. It is designed to assist these institutions learn about the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples (the Declaration) by providing a broad understanding of the legal nature of the rights it contains, as well as the relevant obligations of States, in order to ensure that indigenous peoples' rights are fully realized. The first part of this publication introduces the background and context of the Declaration, while the second and third parts focus on measures which national human rights institutions can take at the national and international level to protect and promote indigenous peoples' rights. The publication is accompanied by an audio-visual resource, which features interviews with indigenous peoples, representatives of national human rights institutions and international human rights experts.

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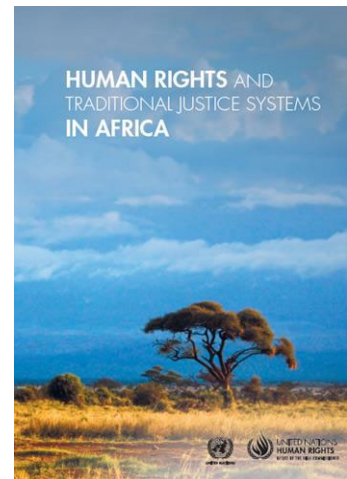


## HUMAN RIGHTS AND TRADITIONAL JUSTICE SYSTEMS IN AFRICA

### SALES PUBLICATION

This Special Issue title examines traditional justice systems in sub-Saharan Africa from a human rights perspective and, in particular, with reference to the rights enumerated in international human rights treaties. It aims to assist those involved in human rights work to have a better understanding of traditional justice systems, and is intended for use primarily by lawyers and others who have legal training. The publication identifies specific human rights concerns that traditional justice systems may present, and it refers to law and jurisprudence that may be helpful in understanding their implications.

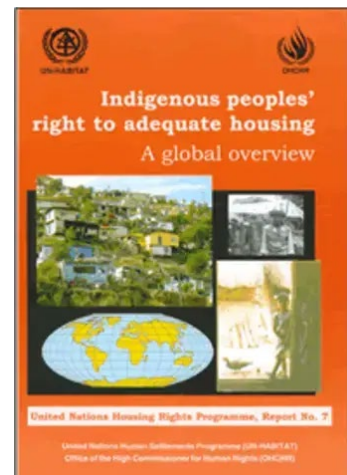
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## INDIGENOUS PEOPLES' RIGHTS TO ADEQUATE HOUSING: A GLOBAL OVERVIEW (PUBLISHED JOINTLY WITH UN-HABITAT)

This publication is a preliminary effort to identify whether, and to what extent, indigenous peoples enjoy the right to adequate housing in different regions of the world. It includes seven case studies on the status of housing for indigenous peoples – in practice and in law – and reviews policies and programmes aimed at addressing their disadvantage. The publication also features a comprehensive set of recommendations on improving the housing and living conditions of indigenous peoples, and calls for further attention to be given to this critical human rights concern.

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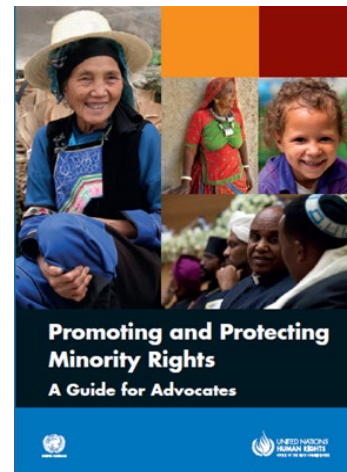


## PROMOTING AND PROTECTING MINORITY RIGHTS: A GUIDE FOR ADVOCATES

### SALES PUBLICATION

This *Guide* offers information related to norms and mechanisms developed to protect the rights of persons belonging to national, ethnic, religious or linguistic minorities. It includes detailed information about procedures and forums in which minority issues may be raised within the United Nations system and in regional systems. By focusing on the work related to minorities and by also covering selected specialized agencies and regional mechanisms, the *Guide* complements information in *Working with the United Nations Human Rights Programme: A Handbook for Civil Society* (OHCHR, 2008), which provides practical guidance on the United Nations human rights mechanisms in general. It is hoped that this *Guide* will be useful in assisting minority advocates to make full and effective use of existing international mechanisms and, ultimately, to promote and protect the rights guaranteed under international instruments.

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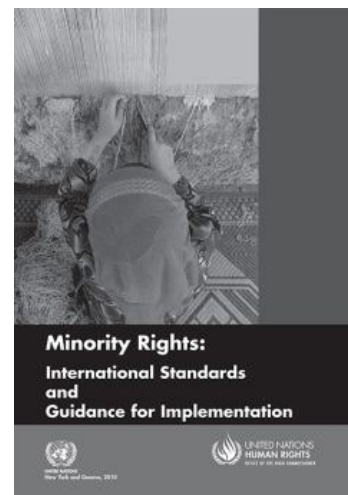




## MINORITY RIGHTS: INTERNATIONAL STANDARDS AND GUIDANCE FOR IMPLEMENTATION

Since country engagement and a human rights-based approach constitute key elements in identifying durable solutions to address the plight of minorities, this publication was prepared by OHCHR to raise additional awareness, among its staff and colleagues in other United Nations organizations and specialized agencies, of minority rights and the impediments minorities face in the enjoyment of these rights. The publication aims to assist United Nations colleagues to help strengthen programmes for minorities at the country level, based on the principles established in relevant international human rights instruments and documents, in particular the United Nations Minorities Declaration.

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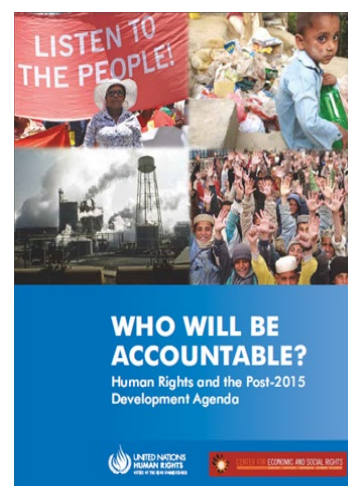


## WHO WILL BE ACCOUNTABLE? HUMAN RIGHTS AND THE POST-2015 DEVELOPMENT AGENDA

(PUBLISHED JOINTLY WITH CESR)

This joint OHCHR-Center for Economic and Social Rights publication focuses on the question of accountability, understood from a human rights perspective. It identifies two key weaknesses that have undermined the effectiveness of the current Millennium Development Goal framework in helping to fulfil the rights and aspirations of those living in poverty. The first is that neither the Goals nor the plans for implementing them have been adequately framed in human rights terms. This has meant that States' pre-existing human rights commitments have been overlooked and undercut in both the design and the delivery of the Goals. A second related weakness is that of accountability. The Goals represent perhaps the most serious global commitment ever made to eradicating the scourge of poverty. In practice, however, robust mechanisms have not been put in place to hold States and others to account for what they have done to fulfil these pledges and to answer to the millions of people who continue to suffer avoidable deprivation as a consequence. The publication will be of interest to Member States, policymakers, development practitioners, human rights and civil society organizations and all those striving for a more just and sustainable global development agenda.

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## WHO WILL BE HELD ACCOUNTABLE? HUMAN RIGHTS AND THE POST-2015 DEVELOPMENT AGENDA

(PUBLISHED JOINTLY WITH CESR)

This booklet is a concise, user-friendly summary of the joint OHCHR-CESR publication *Who will be accountable? Human rights and the post-2015 development agenda*.

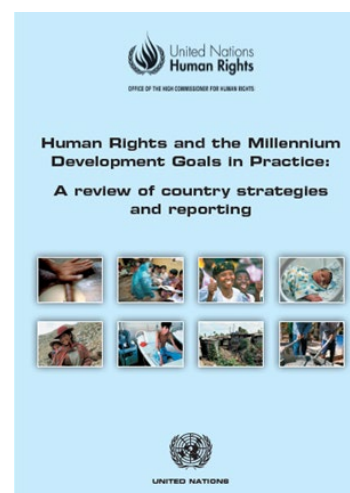
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## HUMAN RIGHTS AND THE MILLENNIUM DEVELOPMENT GOALS IN PRACTICE: A REVIEW OF COUNTRY STRATEGIES AND REPORTING

This publication reviews the extent to which and how human rights are reflected in national Millennium Development Goal-based strategies and reports in a number of Asian and African countries. It is guided by the analytical framework provided in *Claiming the Millennium Development Goals: A Human Rights Approach*. It also builds on a series of country and thematic background studies commissioned for the regional “Dialogues for Action: Human Rights and MDGs” in Johannesburg and Bangkok in 2008, which were part of a collaborative undertaking with the United Nations Children’s Fund (UNICEF) and the Norwegian Centre for Human Rights.

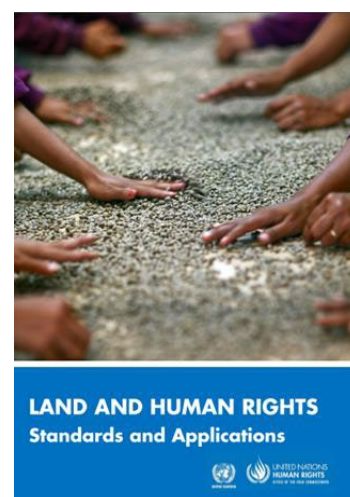
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## LAND AND HUMAN RIGHTS: STANDARDS AND APPLICATIONS

This basic legal reference publication has been prepared as part of the OHCHR output on land and human rights. It aims to provide a concise and user-friendly guide on key international legal standards, including international human rights, humanitarian and criminal law, to those working on land issues so as to make them aware that such standards may be applicable to their work. It begins with a brief overview of the main international law standards relevant to land and human rights. The introductory section is followed by “summary sheets” illustrating the links between international human rights standards and land issues, along with examples of the concrete application of the standard by human rights mechanisms. This publication remains a work-in-progress and will be updated regularly.

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## LAND AND HUMAN RIGHTS: ANNOTATED COMPILATION OF CASE LAW

This publication provides crucial guidance on delineating the human rights dimensions of access to and control over land. It contains an annotated collection of case law relevant to the various aspects of land and human rights, including indigenous or tribal peoples' rights, non-discrimination and equality, and relating to, explicit human rights standards. Under each judicial mechanism, cases appear in chronological order to give the reader a better understanding of the development of jurisprudence on land issues related especially to human rights in well-established and emerging areas. This compilation aims to provide clarification on the normative linkages between human rights and land through the lens of jurisprudence. While the current version may not necessarily reflect a comprehensive overview of existing jurisprudence, it will be regularly revised to include additional cases.

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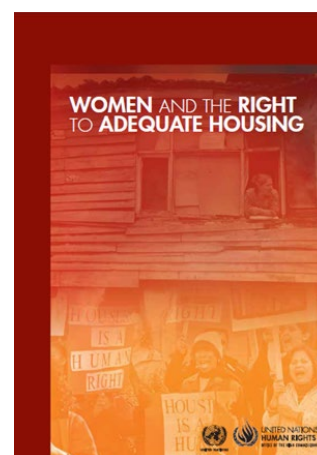


## WOMEN AND THE RIGHT TO ADEQUATE HOUSING

### SALES PUBLICATION

This publication examines the gender-specific aspects of ensuring the enjoyment of this fundamental right. It reviews the international human rights standards that protect it and also analyses specific concerns related to it, such as: inheritance, forced evictions, inadequate housing conditions, domestic violence, HIV/AIDS, natural disasters and climate change, and the current financial crisis.

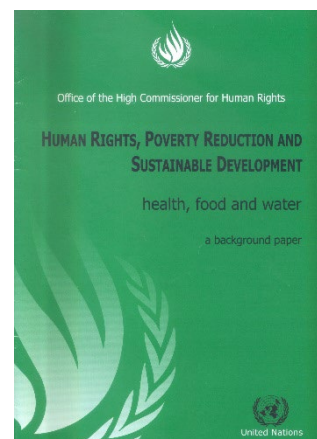
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## HUMAN RIGHTS, POVERTY REDUCTION AND SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT: HEALTH, FOOD AND WATER

The Secretary-General called for the World Summit on Sustainable Development, held in Johannesburg in 2002, to focus on achieving concrete results in water and sanitation, energy, agricultural productivity, biodiversity and ecosystem management and health (WEHAB). This publication examines how human rights, as both a normative framework and as a strategic tool, can strengthen results in areas of health, food and water.

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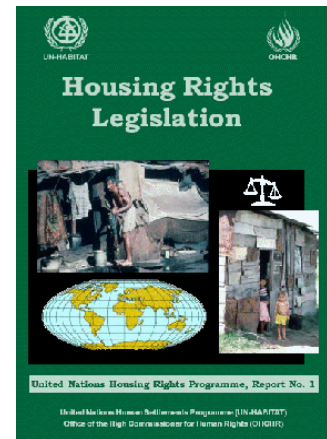


## HOUSING RIGHTS LEGISLATION: REVIEW OF INTERNATIONAL AND NATIONAL LEGAL INSTRUMENTS

(PUBLISHED JOINTLY WITH UN-HABITAT)

This publication provides a review of housing rights in international and national law, including a discussion of housing rights as progressive legal obligations. The publication also reviews selected adjudication, e.g. how housing rights legislation is being implemented, and illustrates that effective constitutional and legislative measures on the right to adequate housing are not only realistic but have already been used successfully in a number of countries. The examples presented in the publication provide a framework for model legislation with respect to specific components of the right to adequate housing.

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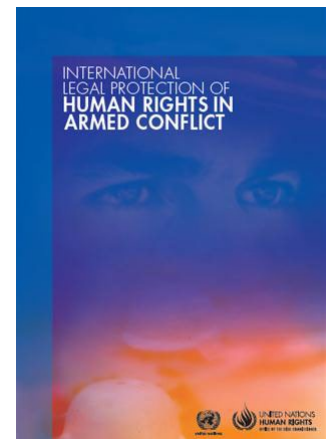


## INTERNATIONAL LEGAL PROTECTION OF HUMAN RIGHTS IN ARMED CONFLICT

**SALES PUBLICATION**

Although different in scope, both international human rights law and international humanitarian law offer a series of complementary and mutually reinforcing protections to persons in armed conflict, whether civilians, persons who are no longer participating directly in hostilities or active participants. This publication provides a thorough legal analysis and guidance to State authorities, human rights and humanitarian actors and others on the application of international human rights law and international humanitarian law for the protection of persons in armed conflict. It addresses, in particular, their complementary application.

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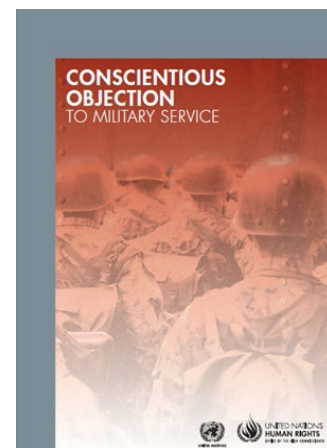


## CONSCIENTIOUS OBJECTION TO MILITARY SERVICE

**SALES PUBLICATION**

The right to conscientious objection to military service is based on the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights, and jurisprudence of the Human Rights Committee. This publication presents this legal framework, as well as jurisprudence of regional courts and commissions, in detail. It analyses important topics, such as selective conscientious objection to particular wars, conscientious objection for those who have volunteered to serve in the armed forces and conscientious objection for those in the reserves. For persons conscripted into the armed forces, it also develops issues relating to their right to know their rights in due time, applicable procedures, decision-making processes and the requirements of a fair and impartial procedure. The publication presents the law and practice of States in implementing the right to conscientious objection and organizing alternative service. It also covers the protection of conscientious objectors in international refugee law.

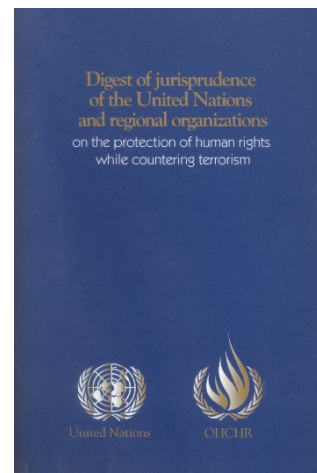
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## DIGEST OF JURISPRUDENCE OF THE UNITED NATIONS AND REGIONAL ORGANIZATIONS ON THE PROTECTION OF HUMAN RIGHTS WHILE COUNTERING TERRORISM

This digest is a compilation of findings of judicial and quasi-judicial bodies of the United Nations and regional organizations on the issue of the protection of human rights in the struggle against terrorism. Its aim is to assist policy makers and other concerned parties in developing a vision of counter-terrorism strategies that are fully respectful of human rights.

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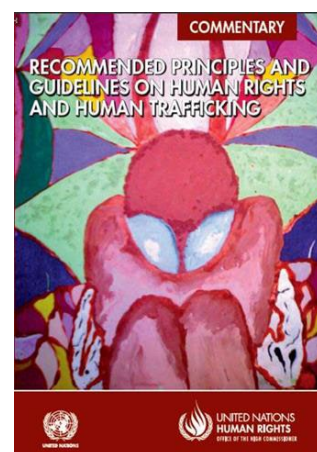
## COMMENTARY ON THE RECOMMENDED PRINCIPLES AND GUIDELINES ON HUMAN RIGHTS AND HUMAN TRAFFICKING

### SALES PUBLICATION

The *Recommended Principles and Guidelines* aim to provide practical, rights-based policy guidance on the prevention of trafficking and the protection of victims of trafficking. The *Commentary on the Recommended Principles and Guidelines on Human Rights and Human Trafficking* aims at providing further concrete guidance on the prevention of human trafficking and the protection of victims of trafficking. States and intergovernmental organizations are encouraged to make use of the Principles and Guidelines, as well as the Commentary, in their own efforts to prevent trafficking and to protect the rights of trafficked persons.

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## RECOMMENDED PRINCIPLES AND GUIDELINES ON HUMAN RIGHTS AND HUMAN TRAFFICKING

The *Recommended Principles and Guidelines on Human Rights and Human Trafficking* have been developed in order to provide practical, rights-based policy guidance on the prevention of trafficking and the protection of victims of trafficking. Their purpose is to promote and facilitate the integration of a human rights perspective into national, regional and international anti-trafficking laws, policies and interventions. The *Principles and Guidelines* serve as a framework and reference point for the work of OHCHR on this issue. States and intergovernmental organizations are encouraged to make use of the Principles and Guidelines in their own efforts to prevent trafficking and to protect the rights of trafficked persons.

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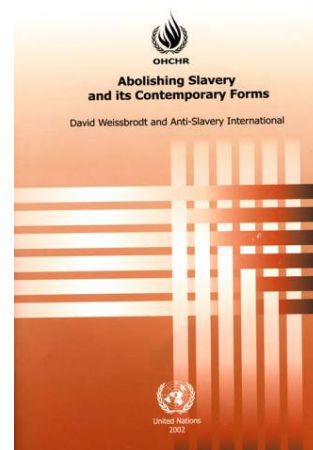
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\*This document is the Economic and Social Council as an addendum to the report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights (A/HRC/10/12, para. 1).

## ABOLISHING SLAVERY AND ITS CONTEMPORARY FORMS

This publication provides a comprehensive summary of the core international law against slavery, its origins, and progress made via the international campaign to abolish slave trade and slavery. Various issues are explored in detail, including the legal instruments and institutions that have been established to combat slavery (including the United Nations Working Group on Contemporary Forms of Slavery); evolving definitions of slavery, contemporary forms of slavery and other related practices. The publication also delves into forced labour, debt bondage, migrant workers, trafficking in persons, prostitution, forced marriage, the sale of wives and international monitoring mechanisms.

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## BEHIND CLOSED DOORS: PROTECTING AND PROMOTING THE HUMAN RIGHTS OF MIGRANT DOMESTIC WORKERS IN AN IRREGULAR SITUATION

This publication sheds light on the often hidden experience of irregular migrant domestic workers, and challenges Governments to take appropriate protective measures. It emphasizes that migrant domestic workers, regardless of whether they are male or female, children or adults, in a regular or irregular situation, are entitled to all fundamental human rights, without discrimination of any kind. The publication is illustrated by the experiences of two women (whose names and identifying details have been altered for their protection) who have lived the abuse and uncertainty that is documented here.

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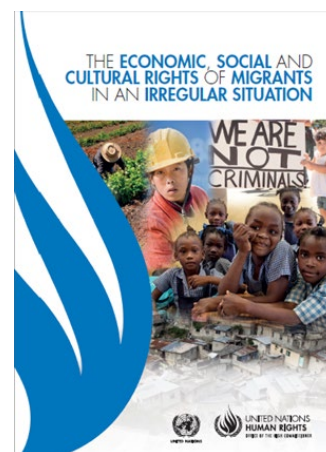


## THE ECONOMIC, SOCIAL AND CULTURAL RIGHTS OF MIGRANTS IN AN IRREGULAR SITUATION

### SALES PUBLICATION

This publication offers a rich resource for policymakers in Governments, national human rights institutions, civil society, lawyers, judges and migrants themselves to understand the scope and content of the human rights of migrants in an irregular situation. Through a specific focus on economic, social and cultural rights, it seeks to challenge common assumptions about the entitlement of migrants in an irregular situation to such fundamental human rights as the right to health, to education, to an adequate standard of living, to social security, and to just and favourable conditions of work. Irregular migrants are human beings and as human beings they are protected by international human rights law.

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## THE RIGHTS OF NON-CITIZENS

### SALES PUBLICATION

The principal objective of this publication is to highlight all the diverse sources of international law and emerging international standards protecting the rights of non-citizens, especially: the relevant provisions of the International Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Racial Discrimination and other human rights treaties; the general comments, country conclusions and adjudications by the Committee on the Elimination of Racial Discrimination and other treaty bodies; the reports of the United Nations Commission on Human Rights thematic procedures on the human rights of migrants and racism; the relevant work of such other global institutions as the International Labour Organization (ILO) and the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR); and the reports of regional institutions, such as the European Commission against Racism and Intolerance.

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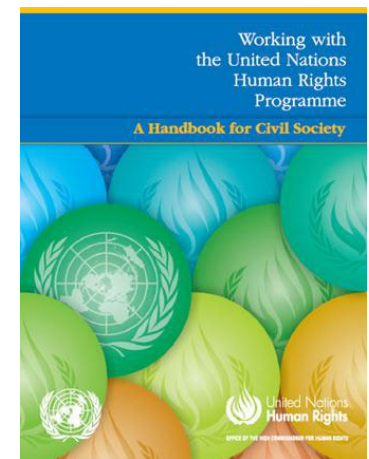


## WORKING WITH THE UNITED NATIONS HUMAN RIGHTS PROGRAMME: A HANDBOOK FOR CIVIL SOCIETY

*Working with the United Nations Human Rights Programme: A Handbook for Civil Society* is addressed to the civil society actors who, every day in every part of the world, contribute to the promotion, protection and advancement of human rights. Developed following a survey among users of the first edition of the Handbook Working with the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights: A Handbook for NGOs (2006) – this comprehensively updated and revised second edition puts United Nations human rights bodies and mechanisms at its centre. Speaking to all civil society actors, including but not only non-governmental organizations (NGOs), the Handbook explains how civil society can engage with various United Nations human rights bodies and mechanisms. It is OHCHR's hope that this Handbook will enable more people to enjoy and make claim to their human rights through these bodies and mechanisms.

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*\*This publication is being updated. The revised edition will be issued in late 2024.*



## INTERNATIONAL GUIDELINES ON HIV/AIDS AND HUMAN RIGHTS – 2006 CONSOLIDATED VERSION (PUBLISHED JOINTLY WITH UNAIDS)

### SALES PUBLICATION

This version of the *International Guidelines on HIV/AIDS and Human Rights* consolidates the *Guidelines* first published in 1998 and revised *Guidelines* first published in 2002. The *International Guidelines on HIV/AIDS and Human Rights* arose because of various calls for their development in light of the need for guidance for Governments and others on how to best promote, protect and fulfil human rights in the context of the HIV epidemic. This publication consolidates the *Guidelines* adopted at the Second International Consultation on HIV/AIDS and Human Rights, held in Geneva from 23 to 25 September 1996, and revised Guideline 6 on access to prevention, treatment, care and support adopted at the Third International Consultation on HIV/AIDS and Human Rights held in Geneva from 25 to 26 July 2002. The *Guidelines* aim to assist States in creating a positive, rights-based response to HIV that is effective in reducing the transmission and impact of HIV and AIDS and is consistent with human rights and fundamental freedoms.

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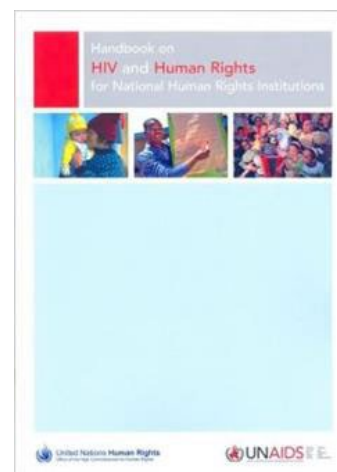


## HANDBOOK ON HIV AND HUMAN RIGHTS FOR NATIONAL HUMAN RIGHTS INSTITUTIONS (PUBLISHED JOINTLY WITH UNAIDS)

### SALES PUBLICATION

This *Handbook* is designed to assist national human rights institutions to integrate HIV into their mandate to protect and promote human rights. It provides a basic overview of the role of human rights in an effective response to the epidemic and suggests concrete activities that national institutions can carry out within their existing work. It also presents possibilities for engaging with the national HIV response in order to protect and promote human rights. The *Handbook* is primarily intended for use by staff of national human rights institutions, civil society organizations, networks of people living with HIV and national AIDS programmes. It should be read together with the *International Guidelines on HIV/AIDS and Human Rights*.

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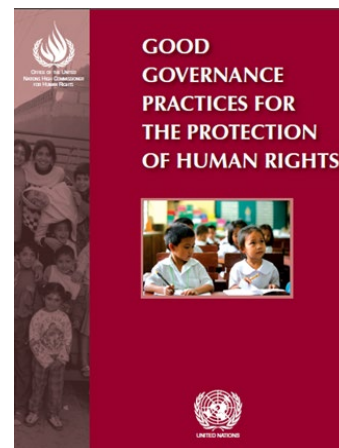
## GOOD GOVERNANCE PRACTICES FOR THE PROTECTION OF HUMAN RIGHTS

### SALES PUBLICATION

This publication defines good governance as the exercise of authority through political and institutional processes that are transparent and accountable, and encourage public participation. It explores the links between good governance and human rights in four areas: democratic institutions, the delivery of State services, the rule of law, and anti-corruption measures. It presents 21 case studies of governance reforms that have helped to better protect human rights.

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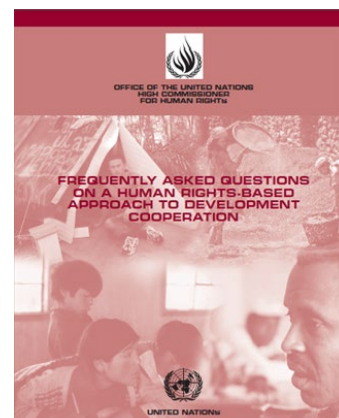
## FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS ON A HUMAN RIGHTS-BASED APPROACH TO DEVELOPMENT COOPERATION

### SALES PUBLICATION

The publication introduces the human rights-based approach to development cooperation by addressing 30 “frequently asked” questions. These answers explain the human rights framework in the context of international development work, from the basic principles of rights and obligations to the relationship between human rights and development concepts like human development, the Millennium Development Goals (MDGs), poverty reduction, good governance, economic growth, and the role of government and public budgeting. It states the definition of the human rights-based approach to development cooperation and outlines its added values in resolving developmental challenges.

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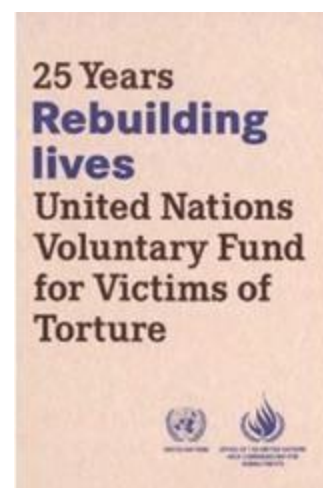
## 25 YEARS REBUILDING LIVES: UNITED NATIONS VOLUNTARY FUND FOR VICTIMS OF TORTURE

### SALES PUBLICATION

*Rebuilding Lives*, presented in commemoration of 25 years of funding assistance to torture victims, presents the experiences of torture survivors and the efforts of those who work to rehabilitate them. It focuses on the work of the Fund and the efforts of the non-governmental organizations it has supported over the past twenty-five years to assist and rehabilitate victims of torture. The publication includes five illustrated articles on current victim support projects in Australia, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Chile, Pakistan and Rwanda, contributed by local journalists of those countries. The book also examines the legal and medical definitions of torture, how and why it happens, the impact it has on victims, what makes torture different from other human rights violations, as well as ways in which it can be effectively treated and combated.

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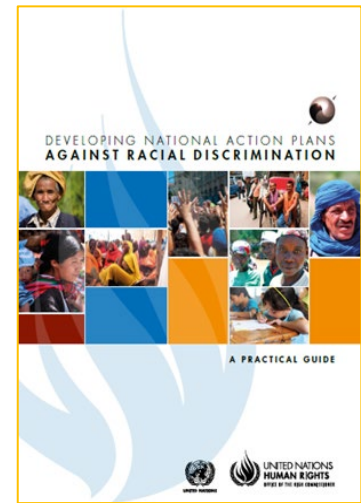


## DEVELOPING NATIONAL ACTION PLANS AGAINST RACIAL DISCRIMINATION: A PRACTICAL GUIDE

### SALES PUBLICATION

This publication is a practical guide for the development of national action plans against racial discrimination. A national action plan is the basis for the development of a comprehensive public policy against racial discrimination and can therefore help States give effect to their international human rights obligations related to the elimination of racial discrimination. The publication aims to serve as a practical tool for States in their efforts to eradicate racial discrimination and comply with their international human rights obligations.

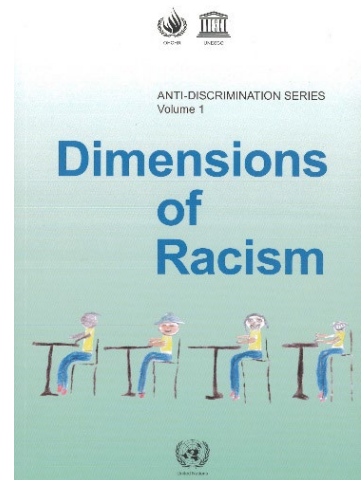
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## DIMENSIONS OF RACISM (PUBLISHED JOINTLY WITH UNESCO)

This publication relates to the proceedings of a Workshop to commemorate the end of the United Nations Third Decade to Combat Racism and Racial Discrimination, held in Paris, from 19-20 February 2003. The background papers presented at the Workshop analysed racism and racial discrimination in specific contexts, including in education, the workplace, health, migration, contemporary forms of slavery, the media, the criminal justice system, and the experience of double discrimination based on gender and race. Those papers form the basis of the chapters in this book, with the aim of providing a better understanding, on a cross-cultural basis, of racism, racial discrimination and xenophobia. The publication examines how these phenomena manifest themselves and are experienced by victims. It explains how racism is currently combated and how it can be prevented. The intention is to generate interest and encourage students, in particular, to develop ideas on how to fight racism, and to become involved in that fight.

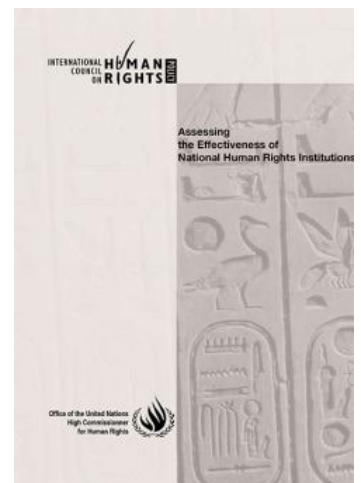
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## ASSESSING THE EFFECTIVENESS OF NATIONAL HUMAN RIGHTS INSTITUTIONS (PUBLISHED JOINTLY WITH THE INTERNATIONAL COUNCIL ON HUMAN RIGHTS POLICY)

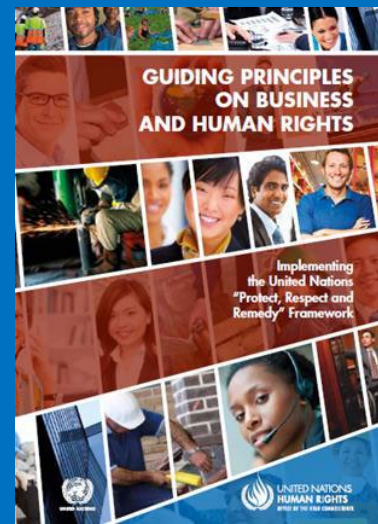
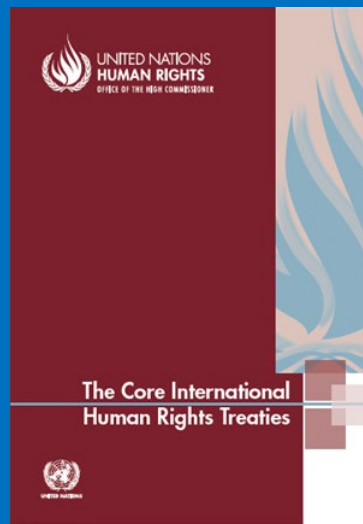
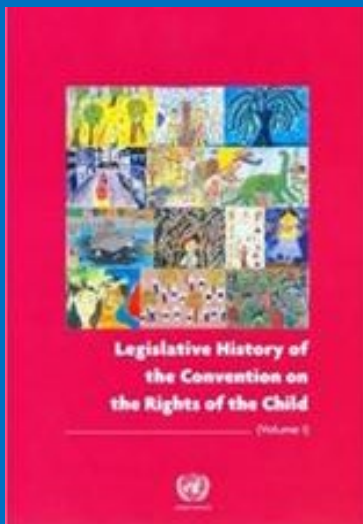
This publication is designed to assist National Human Rights Institutions (NHRIs) to measure their own effectiveness. It was prepared through a participatory process involving members of NHRIs and establishes measurement benchmarks and indicators for the compliance of national institutions with the Paris Principles. The publication first presents a set of benchmarks as the minimum normative condition that is desirable for a national institution to achieve its objectives. It is followed by a set of indicators, both quantitative and qualitative, to demonstrate progress achieved by the NHRI. These indicators of performance and impact are intended for a NHRI to be able to assess the human rights situation, its own performance and the impact of the institution on the enjoyment of human rights.

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Reference publications give researchers and human rights law practitioners access to key human rights instruments and other essential information. These materials include jurisprudence from human rights treaty bodies.

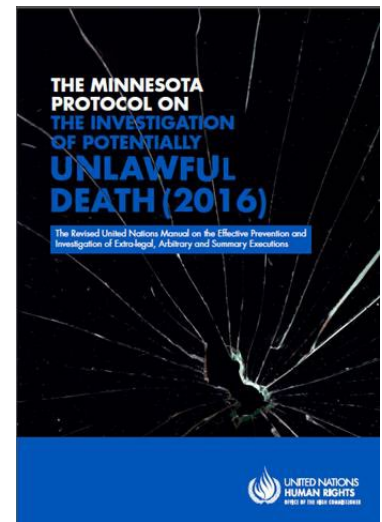


## THE MINNESOTA PROTOCOL ON THE INVESTIGATION OF POTENTIALLY UNLAWFUL DEATH (2016): THE REVISED UNITED NATIONS MANUAL ON THE EFFECTIVE PREVENTION AND INVESTIGATION OF EXTRA-LEGAL, ARBITRARY AND SUMMARY EXECUTIONS

### SALES PUBLICATION

*The Minnesota Protocol on the Investigation of Potentially Unlawful Death (2016)* is an updated version of the original UN Manual on the Effective Prevention and Investigation of Extra-legal, Arbitrary and Summary Executions of 1991 (commonly known as the Minnesota Protocol). The revised Protocol establishes detailed procedures for crime-scene investigations, interviews of suspects and witnesses, the excavation of graves, post-mortem examinations, and the analysis of skeletal remains. Such investigations, along with subsequent accountability processes, play a vital role in upholding the right to life. The new Protocol is an indispensable tool to guide investigations into suspicious deaths, ensure accountability for violations of the right to life, and bring truth and justice to the families of victims. It is aimed at police officers, medical practitioners, lawyers, judicial officers, NGOs and others involved in death investigations, setting a common standard of performance in the investigation of potentially unlawful death.

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## PRINCIPLES FOR RESPONSIBLE CONTRACTS: INTEGRATING THE MANAGEMENT OF HUMAN RIGHTS RISKS INTO STATE-INVESTOR CONTRACT NEGOTIATIONS – GUIDANCE FOR NEGOTIATORS

### SALES PUBLICATION

Since 2011, OHCHR has been promoting the *principles for responsible contracts* as a concrete tool to address some of the human rights concerns relating to State-investor contracts. This booklet is intended to complement these efforts by presenting a reader-friendly version of the principles in a more accessible format. It is the latest in the series of OHCHR publications on business and human rights (comprising the *Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights: Implementing the United Nations “Protect, Respect and Remedy” Framework*; *The Corporate Responsibility to Respect Human Rights: An Interpretive Guide*; and *Frequently Asked Questions about the Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights*).

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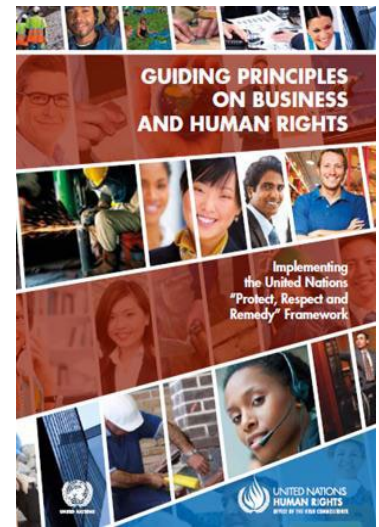


## THE GUIDING PRINCIPLES ON BUSINESS AND HUMAN RIGHTS: IMPLEMENTING THE UNITED NATIONS HUMAN RIGHTS “PROTECT, RESPECT AND REMEDY” FRAMEWORK

### SALES PUBLICATION

The *Guiding Principles* were developed by the former Special Representative of the SG on the issue of human rights, transnational corporations and other business enterprises. They have been widely endorsed by international and regional organizations, States, business enterprises, industry and trade union networks, and civil society organizations. They reflect and build on the three-pillar structure of the “Protect, Respect and Remedy” framework, comprising of 31 principles, each followed by a brief commentary. Together, the *Guiding Principles* outline steps for States to ensure and foster business respect for human rights; provide a blueprint for companies to respect human rights; and offer a set of benchmarks for stakeholders to assess business respect for human rights.

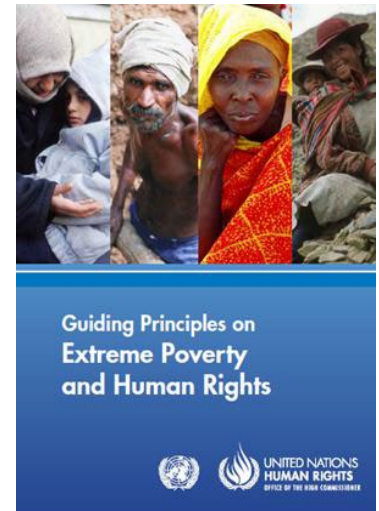
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## GUIDING PRINCIPLES ON EXTREME POVERTY AND HUMAN RIGHTS

The *Guiding Principles on Extreme Poverty and Human Rights* are the first global policy guidelines focused specifically on the human rights of people living in poverty. They are intended for use by governments to ensure that public policies, including poverty eradication efforts, reach the poorest members of society, respect and uphold their rights, and take into account the significant social, cultural, economic and structural obstacles to human rights enjoyment faced by persons living in poverty. The Human Rights Council adopted the *Guiding Principles* by consensus through its resolution 21/11, in September 2012. The development of the *Guiding Principles* was initiated by the former Commission on Human Rights in 2001, and their content was discussed and refined over more than a decade of consultations with States, civil society organisations, United Nations agencies and communities living in poverty. The final draft was prepared by the United Nations Special Rapporteur on extreme poverty and human rights, Magdalena Sepúlveda Carmona, and presented in her report to the Human Rights Council's 21st session (A/HRC/21/39).

Publication date: 2014 Languages: Arabic • English • French • Spanish  
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## UNITED NATIONS DECLARATION ON THE RIGHT TO DEVELOPMENT

This publication is an illustrative and user-friendly pocketbook version of the *United Nations Declaration on the Right to Development*.

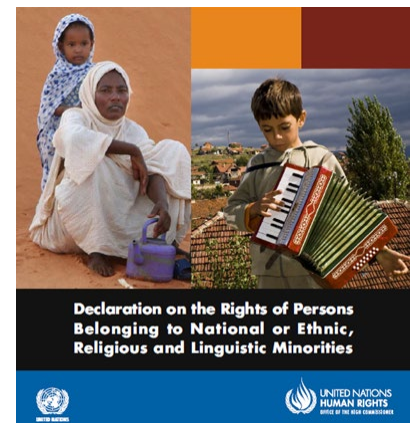
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## DECLARATION ON THE RIGHTS OF PERSONS BELONGING TO NATIONAL OR ETHNIC, RELIGIOUS AND LINGUISTIC MINORITIES

The *Declaration on the Rights of Persons Belonging to National or Ethnic, Religious and Linguistic Minorities* sets essential standards to ensure the rights of persons belonging to minorities and as such is a key reference for United Nations work. It offers guidance to States as they seek to manage diversity and ensure non-discrimination, and for minorities themselves, as they strive to achieve equality and participation. This publication is an illustrative and user-friendly booklet version of the Declaration.

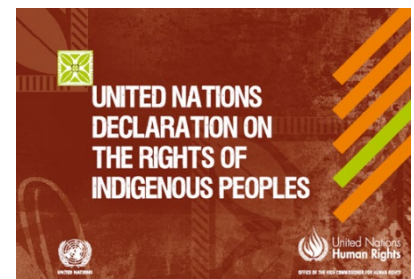
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## UNITED NATIONS DECLARATION ON THE RIGHTS OF INDIGENOUS PEOPLES

The *United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples* was adopted by the General Assembly on 13 September 2007. By issuing the Declaration in this pocket-sized format, OHCHR wishes to make these important human rights standards available to Government officials, human rights defenders, indigenous peoples, scholars, legal practitioners, civil society and others wanting to promote the rights of these peoples worldwide.

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## DURBAN REVIEW CONFERENCE: OUTCOME DOCUMENT

This publication reproduces the *Outcome Document of the Durban Review Conference* in pocket size. The Durban Review Conference took place in Geneva, Switzerland, from 20 to 24 April 2009. One of its objectives was to review progress and assess the implementation of the Durban Declaration and Programme of Action, which had been adopted at the World Conference against Racism, Racial Discrimination, Xenophobia and Related Intolerance, held in Durban, South Africa, in September 2001. By publishing the Outcome Document of the Durban Review Conference in this user-friendly format, OHCHR wishes to make it more accessible, in particular to Government officials, civil society, national human rights institutions, human rights defenders, legal practitioners, scholars and others with an interest in human rights.

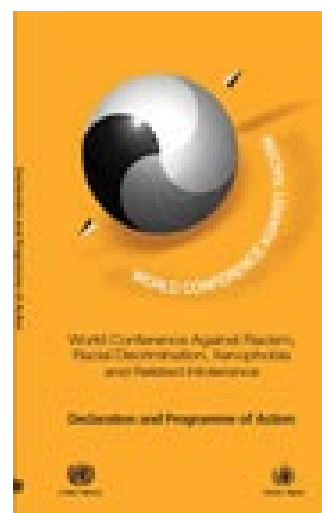
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## DURBAN DECLARATION AND PROGRAMME OF ACTION

Member States of the United Nations adopted these texts at the World Conference against Racism, Racial Discrimination, Xenophobia and Related Intolerance, held from 31 August to 8 September 2001 in Durban, South Africa. They consist of a Declaration and Programme of Action. The Declaration represents the commitments arising from the complex global dialogue which took place. It addresses past manifestations as well as contemporary forms of racial discrimination. The Programme of Action is a road-map illustrating how the international community will follow up on these commitments. It indicates the steps to be taken to put an end to racism, racial discrimination, xenophobia and related intolerance and to prevent their future occurrence.

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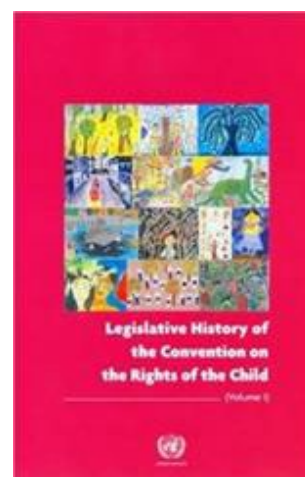


## LEGISLATIVE HISTORY OF THE CONVENTION ON THE RIGHTS OF THE CHILD

### SALES PUBLICATION

The adoption of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights sixty years ago ushered in an era of prolific standard-setting in the field of international human rights law. As of 2007, universal human rights norms have been articulated in nine international human rights treaties, including the Convention on the Rights of the Child and its Optional Protocols. This publication documents how the Convention on the Rights of the Child came into being providing a comprehensive record of the legislative history of the Convention. The two-volume set aims to serve as a research tool for children's rights advocates.

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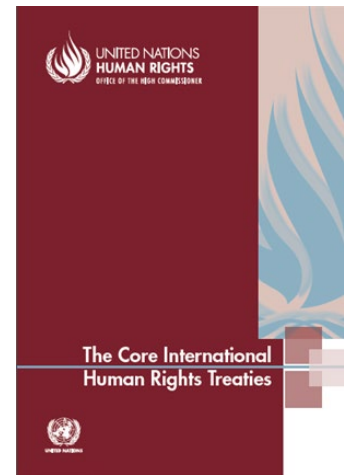


## THE CORE INTERNATIONAL HUMAN RIGHTS TREATIES (REV. 1)

### SALES PUBLICATION

This revised edition of *The Core International Human Rights Treaties* reproduces the most recent international human rights treaties in a user-friendly, pocket-sized format. In addition to the treaties and protocols which appeared in the 2006 edition, this publication includes the Optional Protocol to the International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights; the Optional Protocol to the Convention on the Rights of the Child on a communications procedure; the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities and its Optional Protocol (also published in *The New Core International Human Rights Treaties* publication); and the International Convention for the Protection of All Persons from Enforced Disappearance.

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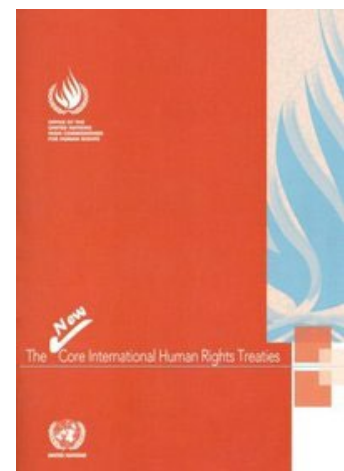


## THE NEW CORE INTERNATIONAL HUMAN RIGHTS TREATIES

### SALES PUBLICATION

This pocket-sized publication reproduces the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities and its Optional Protocol and the International Convention for the Protection of All Persons from Enforced Disappearances. It complements *The Core International Human Rights Treaties*, which OHCHR published in 2006 (and later revised in 2014).

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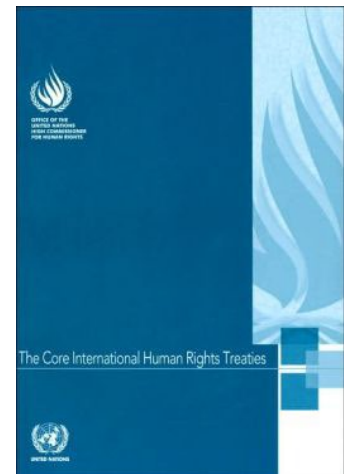


## THE CORE INTERNATIONAL HUMAN RIGHTS TREATIES

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This publication includes the original nine core international human rights treaties in pocket-size format. Each of these treaties established a committee of experts to monitor implementation of the treaty provisions by its States parties. Some of the treaties included in this compilation are supplemented by optional protocols dealing with specific concerns.

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This publication covers the Committee's seventy-fifth to eighty-fourth sessions, from July 2002 to July 2005.

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### SELECTED DECISIONS OF THE HUMAN RIGHTS COMMITTEE UNDER THE OPTIONAL PROTOCOL, VOLUME 6

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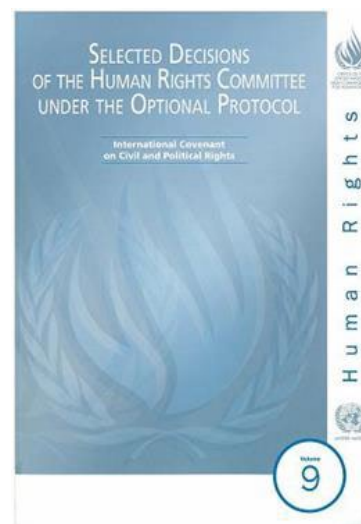
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This publication covers the Committee's forty-seventh to fifty-fifth sessions.

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## SELECTED DECISIONS OF THE HUMAN RIGHTS COMMITTEE UNDER THE OPTIONAL PROTOCOL, VOLUME 4

### SALES PUBLICATION

This publication covers the Committee's fortieth to forty-sixth sessions, from October 1990 to October 1992.

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## SELECTED DECISIONS OF THE HUMAN RIGHTS COMMITTEE UNDER THE OPTIONAL PROTOCOL, VOLUME 3

### SALES PUBLICATION

This publication covers the Committee's thirty-third to thirty-ninth sessions, from July 1988 to July 1990.

Ref.: CCPR/C/OP/3 Sales: 02.XIV.1 ISBN: 92-1-154133-6 Publication date: 2002 Languages: English • French • Russian • Spanish Formats: Print (A4, soft cover) • Electronic ([OHCHR website](#) and [Shop.un.org](#))

## SELECTED DECISIONS OF THE HUMAN RIGHTS COMMITTEE UNDER THE OPTIONAL PROTOCOL, VOLUME 2

### SALES PUBLICATION

This publication covers the Committee's seventeenth to thirty-second sessions, from October 1982 to April 1988.

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## SELECTED DECISIONS OF THE HUMAN RIGHTS COMMITTEE UNDER THE OPTIONAL PROTOCOL, VOLUME 1

### SALES PUBLICATION

This publication covers the Committee's second to sixteenth sessions.

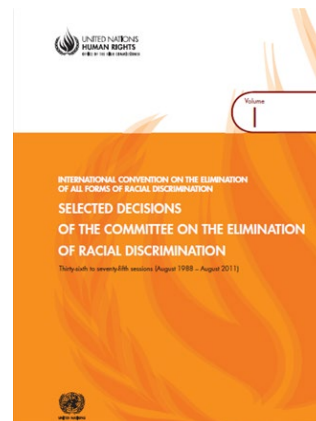
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## SELECTED DECISIONS OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE ELIMINATION OF RACIAL DISCRIMINATION, VOLUME 1

### SALES PUBLICATION

This first volume of *Selected Decisions of the Committee on the Elimination of Racial Discrimination* presents a selection of 32 of the Committee's most significant decisions on individual cases, addressing the issue of racial discrimination in relation to civil and political rights as well as economic, social and cultural rights. Throughout its existence, the Committee has established and developed its own jurisprudence on the admissibility criteria under the Convention on the Elimination of Racial Discrimination. The Committee has addressed a variety of issues concerning different forms of discrimination. The index by article of the Convention, by subject, and by author and victim aims at facilitating the reader's access to the relevant jurisprudence.

Ref.: HR/CERD/PUB/1 Sales: 12.XIV.2 ISBN: 92-1-154195-3 e-ISBN-13: 978-92-1-055245-5 Publication date: July 2012 Languages: English • French • Russian • Spanish Formats: Print (A4, soft cover) • Electronic (OHCHR website and [Shop.un.org](http://Shop.un.org))



## SELECTED DECISIONS OF THE COMMITTEE AGAINST TORTURE, VOLUME 1

### SALES PUBLICATION

The worldwide eradication of the practice of torture was one of the major challenges of the United Nations only a few years after it was created. To ensure adequate protection for all persons against torture and other forms of cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment or punishment, the United Nations has, over the years, adopted a number of universally applicable standards. The Committee Against Torture was established to ensure that the Convention Against Torture and other Cruel, Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment is observed and implemented. The publication reports on the selected decisions of the Committee during its eleventh to thirty-eighth sessions (November 1993-May 2007).

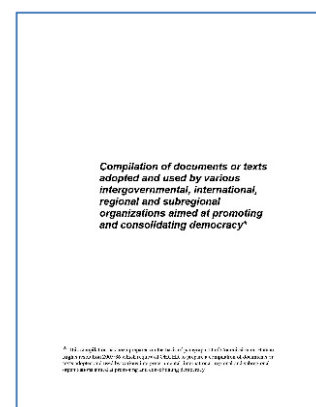
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## COMPILATION OF DOCUMENTS AND TEXTS ADOPTED AND USED BY VARIOUS INTERGOVERNMENTAL, INTERNATIONAL, REGIONAL AND SUBREGIONAL ORGANIZATIONS AIMED AT PROMOTING AND CONSOLIDATING DEMOCRACY

This compilation has been prepared on the basis of paragraph 14 of Commission on Human Rights resolution 2003/36, in which OHCHR was requested to prepare a compilation of documents or texts adopted and used by various intergovernmental, international, regional and sub-regional organizations aimed at promoting and consolidating democracy.

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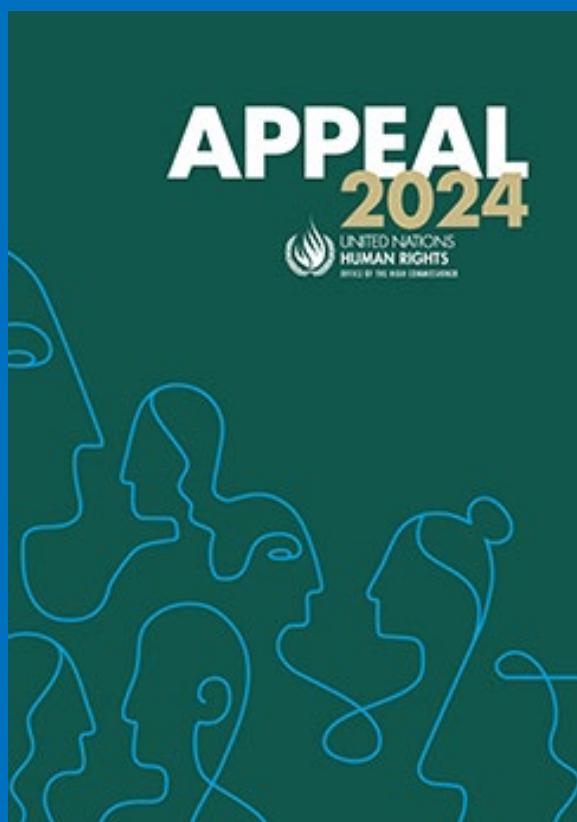


## WORLD CONFERENCE ON HUMAN RIGHTS: THE VIENNA DECLARATION AND PROGRAMME OF ACTION, JUNE 1993

This reference material comprises the Vienna Declaration and Programme of Action, as adopted by the World Conference on Human Rights on 25 June 1993.

Ref.: GE.93-14233 Publication date: July 1993 Language: English Format: Electronic (OHCHR website)

# OHCHR ANNUAL REPORTS AND PLANS



## OHCHR MANAGEMENT PLANS

*OHCHR Management Plans* articulate the Office's priorities, expected accomplishments and strategies.

The *OHCHR Management Plan 2024-2027* is structured around six pillars: (1) the international human rights mechanisms; the core human rights principles of (2) participation; (3) non-discrimination; (4) accountability; and human rights in the UN's other pillars, namely (5) development; and (6) peace and security. The pillar strategies will guide the work of OHCHR worldwide for the next four years. At country level, they are implemented through mutually agreed bilateral frameworks, aligned with the United Nations Sustainable Development Cooperation Frameworks (UNSDCFs). In addition, OHCHR identified six strategic directions that have informed the content of the pillar strategies and will guide their implementation, namely:

- Rebuild trust and reinvigorate a global human rights movement that offers solutions to some of the world's biggest challenges;
- Foster inclusion and equality through a diversity approach;
- Promote a human rights economy to realize rights and reduce inequalities;
- Ensure that digital technologies and data are at the service of humanity and advance human rights;
- Put human rights at the centre of early warning and advance the global protection agenda;
- Advance environmental action, including on climate, with human rights at its core.

These strategic directions ensure that the pillar strategies address emerging human rights challenges and leverage opportunities to make maximum impact. The plan sets out the changes to which OHCHR commits to contribute by 2027, through implementation of the pillar strategies. In addition to the pillar strategies, this plan also contains a summary of the seven Organizational Effectiveness Action Plans (OEAPs). OEAPs represent OHCHR's commitment to continuous internal improvement, in order to deliver its programme more efficiently and effectively. They bring forward the outcomes of the High Commissioner's initiative to heighten organizational effectiveness efforts through a comprehensive organizational review conducted in 2023.

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*Archives of previous OHCHR Management Plans (dating back to 2000), are available on the OHCHR website and in print format.*



## OHCHR ANNUAL REPORTS

*OHCHR Annual Reports* are published annually and present results achieved by the Office during the reporting period and according to the planned programme set out in the High Commissioner's Strategic Management Plan. The *Reports* are structured around the Office's thematic priorities and also provide information on managerial outputs and an overview of OHCHR's sources of income and expenditure.

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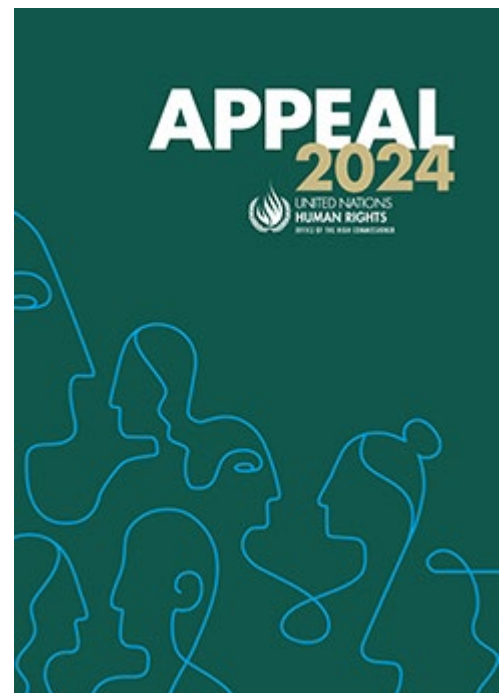


## UNITED NATIONS HUMAN RIGHTS APPEAL 2024

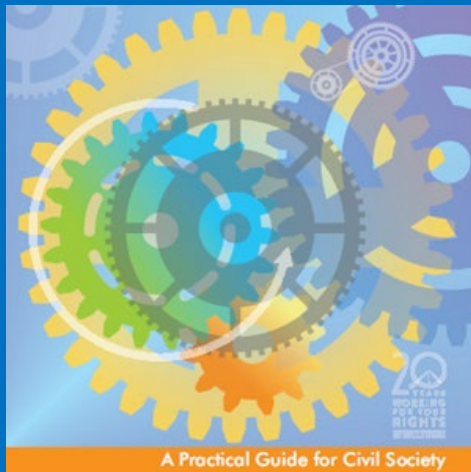
The *United Nations Human Rights Appeal* is an annual appeal for support to the United Nations human rights programme. The 2024 *Appeal* provides an overview of the Office's work in facts and figures; highlights OHCHR's results and achievements in 2023; elaborates on strategic projects and focus areas; includes management, funding and budget-related information; provides a synopsis of OHCHR-administered trust funds; and explains how contributions from Member States, international organizations, foundations, non-governmental organizations and individuals may be made to OHCHR. The *Appeal* outlines OHCHR's human rights agenda and roadmap to 2024, calling on all governments to increase their support of the UN's human rights work and activities. The *Appeal* highlights the significance and impact of the Office's global reach, technical expertise and trusted partnerships, and the ongoing need for assistance in building greater inclusion, justice, dignity, freedom, sustainable development and peace.

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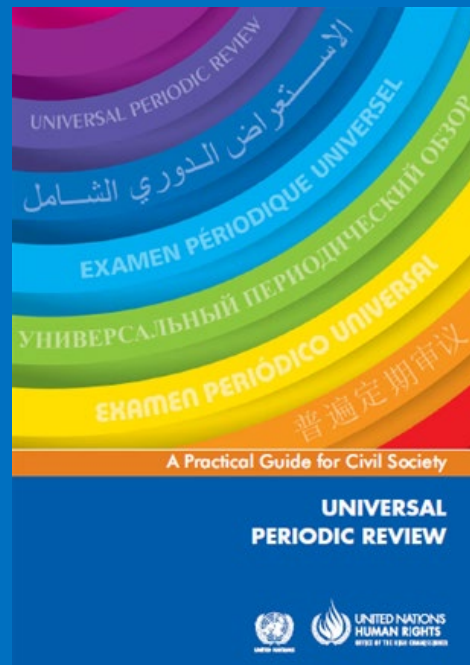
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# OTHER MATERIALS



**HOW TO FOLLOW UP ON  
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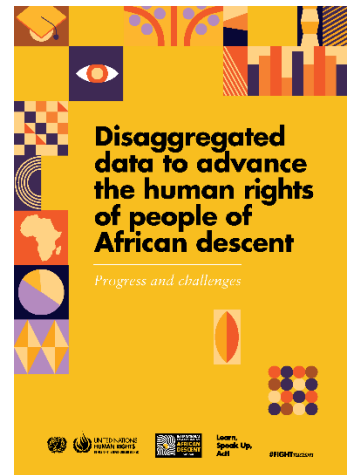
**UNIVERSAL  
PERIODIC REVIEW**



## DISAGGREGATED DATA TO ADVANCE THE HUMAN RIGHTS OF PEOPLE OF AFRICAN DESCENT: PROGRESS AND CHALLENGES

This booklet focuses on the collection and use of disaggregated data in efforts to promote and protect the human rights of people of African descent. It examines international human rights standards and good practices related to data collection, analysis, dissemination and publication and draws on the observations and recommendations of international human rights mechanisms and on contributions from stakeholders. The booklet includes recommendations for Member States to apply a human rights-based approach to data in order to understand and combat the discrimination experienced by people of African descent. The approach is based, *inter alia*, on respecting the self-identification of rights holders as people of African descent. The human rights-based approach also promotes participatory and transparent data-gathering exercises, as well as privacy and security safeguards that would mitigate the risk of violations in the process of data management.

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## FIGHTING RACISM AND DISCRIMINATION: THE DURBAN DECLARATION AND PROGRAMME OF ACTION AT 20

The Durban Declaration and Programme of Action has enhanced global efforts for combatting and preventing racism, racial discrimination, xenophobia and related intolerance; it has contributed to the proliferation of legislative measures, the development of national action plans and monitoring mechanisms; and has helped to place the issue of racism, racial discrimination, xenophobia and related intolerance as an urgent priority on the international agenda. This booklet provides information about the Durban Declaration and Programme of Action and its impact, including statements from experts and stories about individual and collective efforts towards making the world free of racism and discrimination, showing the Durban Declaration and Programme of Action as a living document with relevance to the issues of today.

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## A HUMAN RIGHTS-BASED APPROACH TO DATA – LEAVING NO ONE BEHIND IN THE 2030 AGENDA FOR SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT: GUIDANCE NOTE TO DATA COLLECTION AND DISAGGREGATION

Policy specialists, statisticians and data scientists working in government or with civil society organizations, as well as development practitioners and human rights advocates should find *A Human Rights-Based Approach to Data* (HRBAD) particularly timely. It responds to an urgent need to provide practical human rights guidance to data collection and disaggregation in order to leave no-one behind in the implementation of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development. The 2030 Agenda is to be implemented in a manner consistent with the rights and obligations of States under international law. Deciding whether to pursue disaggregation of indicators is not a norm or value-neutral exercise. Given that data collection and disaggregation have associated risks to the enjoyment by data subjects of their fundamental rights, HRBAD has much to offer. It should help bring together relevant data stakeholders and develop communities of practice committed to improve the quality, inclusiveness, relevance and use of data and statistics consistent with international human rights standards, norms and principles.

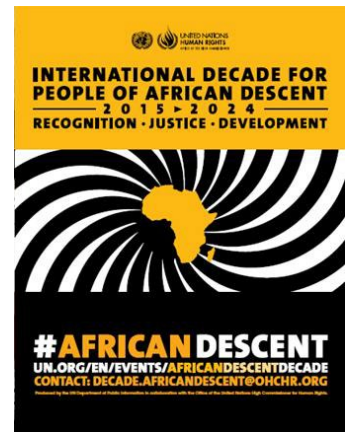
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**INTERNATIONAL DECADE FOR PEOPLE OF AFRICAN DESCENT 2015 – 2024: RECOGNITION, JUSTICE, DEVELOPMENT**

The International Decade for People of African Descent, proclaimed by General Assembly resolution 68/237 and to be observed from 2015 to 2024, provides a solid framework for the United Nations, Member States, civil society and all other relevant actors to join together with people of African descent and take effective measures for the implementation of the programme of activities in the spirit of recognition, justice and development. Several public information materials have been made available to explain the background, objectives, activities and significance of the International Decade for People of African Descent. **Publication date:** January 2016 **Languages:** Arabic • Chinese • English • French • Russian • Spanish **Formats:** Print (A5, soft cover) • Electronic (OHCHR website and dedicated UN International Decade for People of African Descent website)



**INFORMATION SERIES ON SEXUAL AND REPRODUCTIVE HEALTH AND RIGHTS**

Women’s sexual and reproductive health is related to multiple human rights, including the right to life, the right to be free from torture, the right to health, the right to privacy, the right to education, and the prohibition of discrimination. Yet, violations of these rights are frequent and take many forms including denial of access to services that only women require, or poor quality services, subjecting women’s access to services to third party authorization, and performance of procedures related to women’s reproductive and sexual health without the woman’s consent, including forced sterilization. There is therefore a pressing need to make clear that sexual and reproductive health is a matter of human rights. The purpose of this *Information Series* is to provide detailed guidance for lawmakers, policymakers, judiciaries, health service providers, civil society and other stakeholders, to support the adoption and effective implementation of laws, policies and programmes to respect, protect and fulfil women’s sexual and reproductive health and rights. The *Information Series* focuses on the following subjects: HIV/AIDS; Abortion; Harmful Practices; Contraception and Family Planning; Adolescents; Women Human Rights Defenders; Violence against Women; LGBTI; and Maternal Mortality and Morbidity.

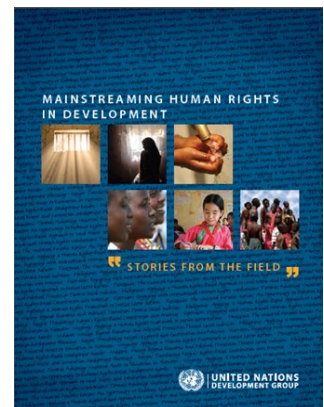
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**MAINSTREAMING HUMAN RIGHTS IN DEVELOPMENT: “STORIES FROM THE FIELD”**

This inter-agency publication forms part of the work of UNDG-Human Rights Mainstreaming Mechanism (UNDG-HRM). It illustrates successful human rights mainstreaming efforts by six United Nations country teams (Uruguay, Tanzania, Kenya, Moldova, Philippines and Viet Nam), supported by statements from the Secretary-General, senior government officials, Resident Coordinators and civil society.

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## HUMAN RIGHTS TREATY BODIES: PROTECTING YOUR RIGHTS

This user-friendly tool provides readers with an overview of the United Nations Treaty Body system. It explains how the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, adopted in 1948, laid the groundwork for the human rights structure that emerged in the following decades and of which the human rights expert committees, formally known as Treaty Bodies, are a key part. These committees are often described as the backbone of the international human rights protection system. Since 1948, States have adopted nine international human rights treaties and nine Optional Protocols. These include a treaty that addresses civil and political rights, and one that covers economic, social and cultural rights. Some of the treaties relate to the rights of specific groups, such as children, migrant workers and their families, and persons with disabilities. Other treaties focus on preventing and tackling specific human rights violations, for example torture, enforced disappearances, racial discrimination, and discrimination against women. Many of the Optional Protocols include procedures for individual complaints and inquiries. This booklet provides useful information on the United Nations human rights expert committees; the submission of reports by States; the review process; the reporting cycle under international human rights treaties; the roles of Governments and other actors; the interpretation of international human rights treaties in the form of “general comments”; and addressing of individual complaints.

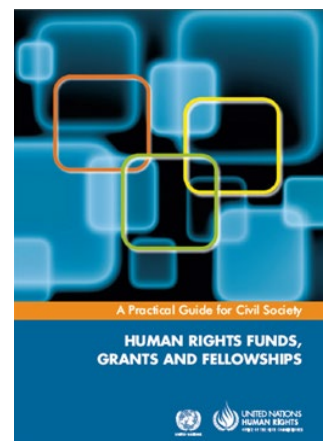
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## HUMAN RIGHTS FUNDS, GRANTS AND FELLOWSHIPS: A PRACTICAL GUIDE FOR CIVIL SOCIETY

This *Guide for Civil Society* provides a brief description of funding sources, grants and fellowships administered by or with the participation of OHCHR. The purpose of the *Guide* is to provide guidance to prospective applicants interested in these funds and programmes to further contribute to the promotion of human rights in their own countries and worldwide. The funds and grants administered by OHCHR include the United Nations Voluntary Fund for Victims of Torture; United Nations Voluntary Trust Fund on Contemporary Forms of Slavery; United Nations Voluntary Fund for Indigenous Populations; Special Fund of the Optional Protocol to the United Nations Convention against Torture; and Assisting Communities Together Project. OHCHR also has a designated role in United Nations Democracy Fund also addressed in this chapter. The *Guide* also provides an overview of OHCHR Fellowship Programmes.

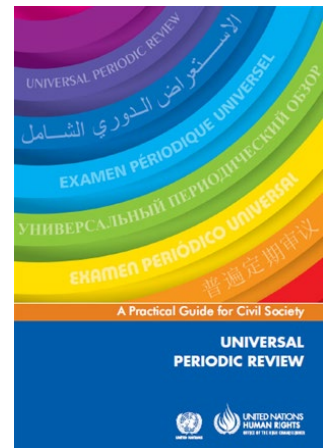
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## UNIVERSAL PERIODIC REVIEW: A PRACTICAL GUIDE FOR SOCIETY

This *Guide* explains the Universal Periodic Review mechanism, through which the Human Rights Council reviews, on a periodic basis, the fulfilment by each of the 193 United Nations Member States of their human rights obligations and commitments. It explains the three documents that form the basis of a Member State's review, including a national report, prepared by the State under review; a compilation of United Nations information on the State under review, prepared by OHCHR; and a summary of information submitted by other stakeholders (including civil society actors), also prepared by OHCHR. The *Guide* provides information on how the review is conducted by the Working Group on the UPR, a body which comprises 47 Member States of the Human Rights Council.

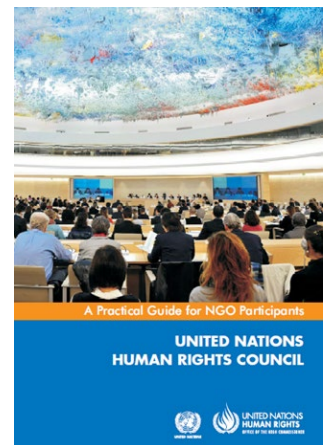
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## UNITED NATIONS HUMAN RIGHTS COUNCIL: A PRACTICAL GUIDE FOR NGO PARTICIPANTS

The Human Rights Council is the principal United Nations intergovernmental body responsible for human rights. It is composed of 47 Member States, which meets in at least three sessions per year in Geneva, Switzerland. Its role includes strengthening the promotion and protection of human rights around the globe, and making recommendations to address violations of human rights, including gross and systematic violations. OHCHR serves as Secretariat to the Human Rights Council. This practical guide for civil society details everything about attending the Human Rights Council.

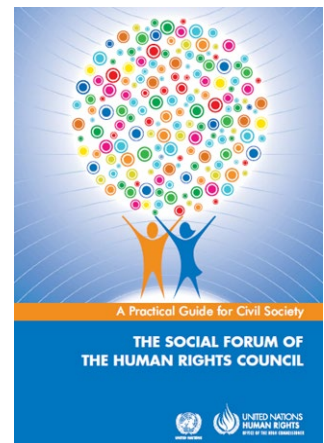
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## THE SOCIAL FORUM OF THE HUMAN RIGHTS COUNCIL: A PRACTICAL GUIDE FOR CIVIL SOCIETY

The Social Forum is an annual meeting convened by the United Nations Human Rights Council. It serves as a unique space for open and interactive dialogue between civil society actors, representatives of United Nations Member States, and intergovernmental organizations. This practical guide for civil society provides useful information about attending the Social Forum.

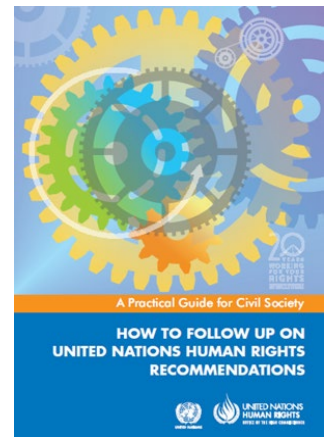
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## HOW TO FOLLOW UP ON HUMAN RIGHTS RECOMMENDATIONS: A PRACTICAL GUIDE FOR CIVIL SOCIETY

This *Guide* focuses on how civil society can follow up on recommendations of United Nations human rights mechanisms and mandates or bodies. The *Guide* explains what “follow up” and “implementation” entail; provides information on the methods and activities that civil society actors can use; reviews existing follow-up procedures and practices of United Nations human rights mechanisms; and explains how civil society actors can participate in such mechanisms. The publication also refers to tools to facilitate civil society follow-up activities. This *Guide* is primarily intended for civil society actors working at the national level.

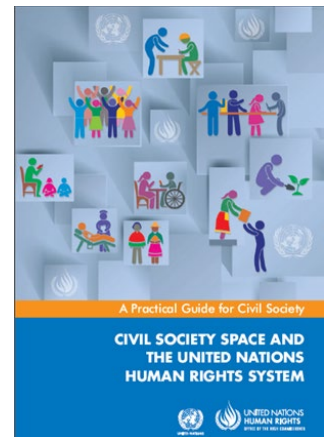
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## CIVIL SOCIETY SPACE AND THE UNITED NATIONS HUMAN RIGHTS SYSTEM

This *Guide* highlights issues related to the work of civil society actors. It provides an overview of the conditions and environment needed for a free and independent civil society, including relevant international human rights standards for freedoms of expression, association and peaceful assembly, and the right to participate in public affairs. The *Guide* invites civil society actors to use the United Nations human rights system to promote and protect civil society space at the local level. Resources and contact details are provided at the end of the *Guide*. The *Guide* aims primarily to assist civil society actors who are not yet familiar with the United Nations human rights system. Its development has been enriched from the outset by input and advice from diverse civil society actors.

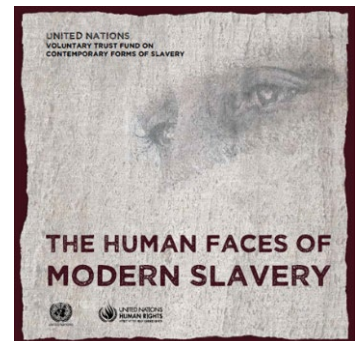
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## THE HUMAN FACES OF MODERN SLAVERY: UNITED NATIONS VOLUNTARY TRUST FUND ON CONTEMPORARY FORMS OF SLAVERY

Since its establishment in 1991, the United Nations Voluntary Fund on Contemporary Forms of Slavery, managed by the Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights, has awarded several million US dollars in project grants to more than 500 organizations worldwide. These organizations extend humanitarian, legal, psychological and social assistance to individuals who have been subjected to modern slavery. In addition to traditional slavery, modern forms of slavery include serfdom, forced labour, debt bondage, the worst forms of child labour, the sale of children, forced and early marriage, the sale of wives and inherited widows, trafficking in persons for exploitation and sexual slavery.

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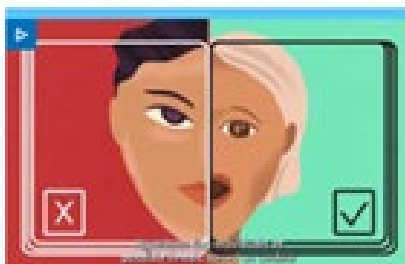


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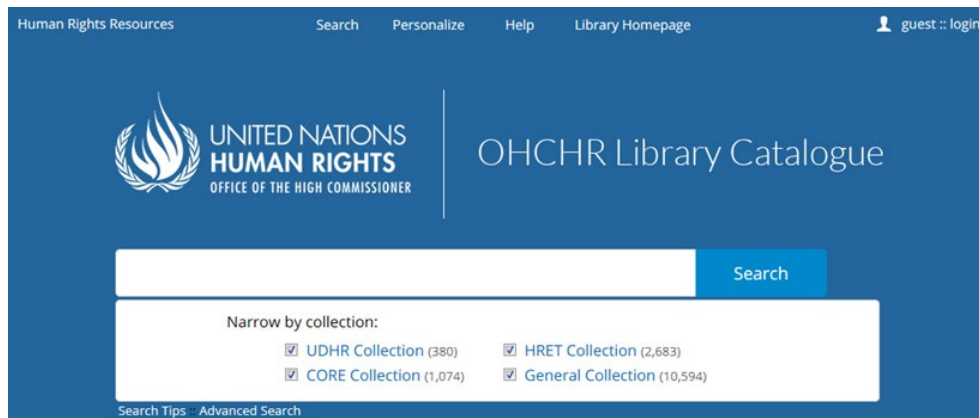
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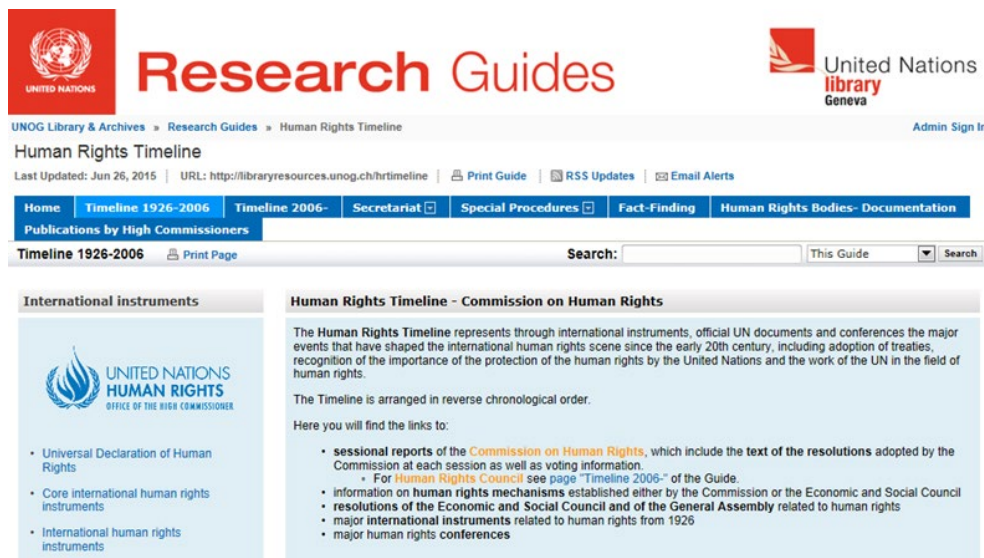
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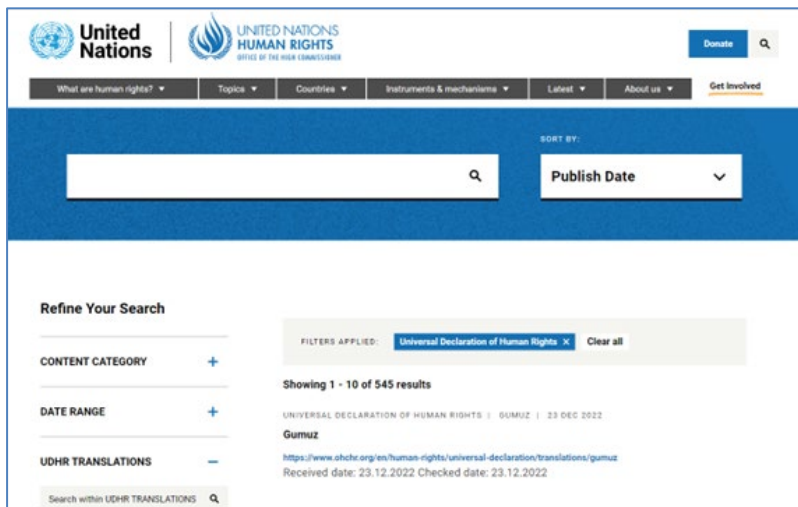
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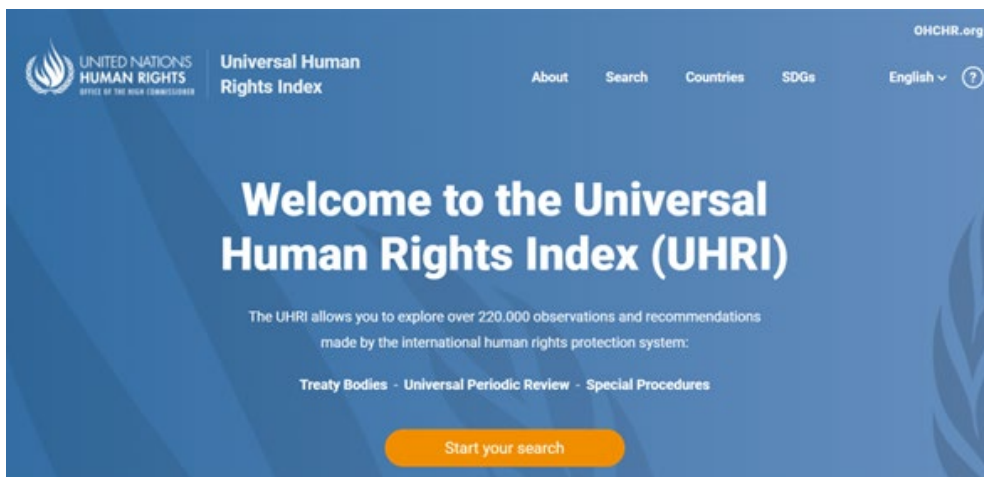
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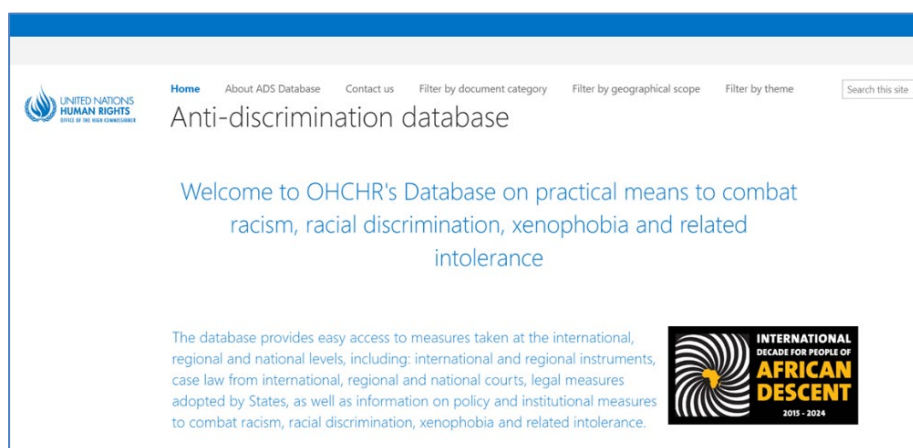
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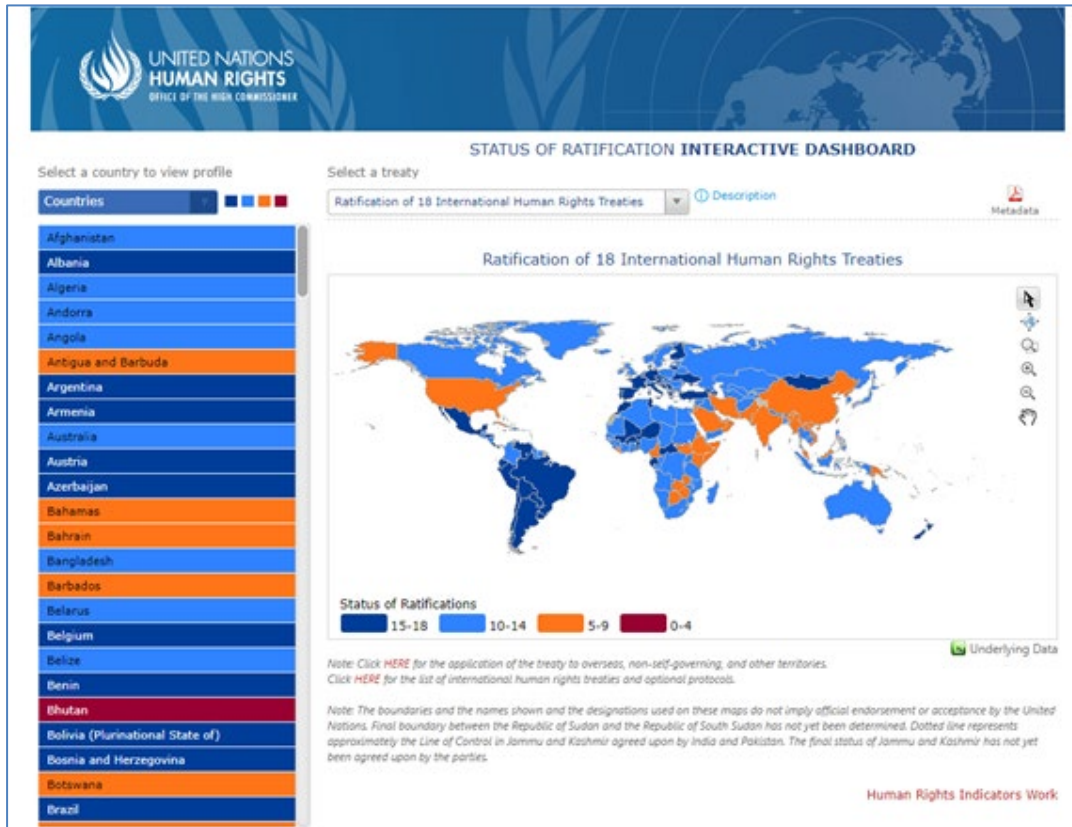
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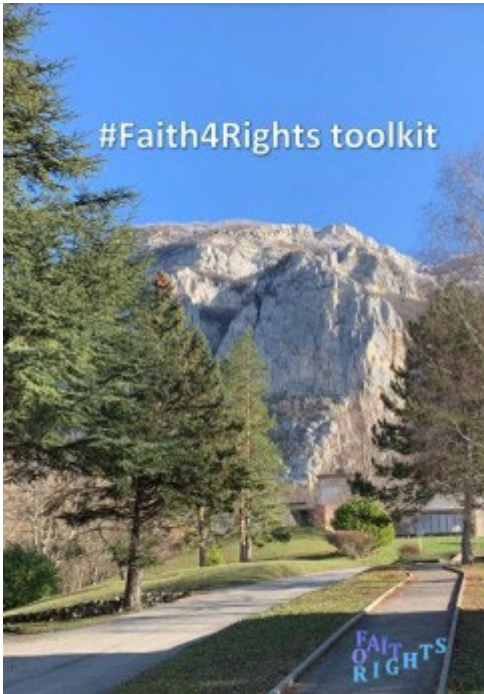


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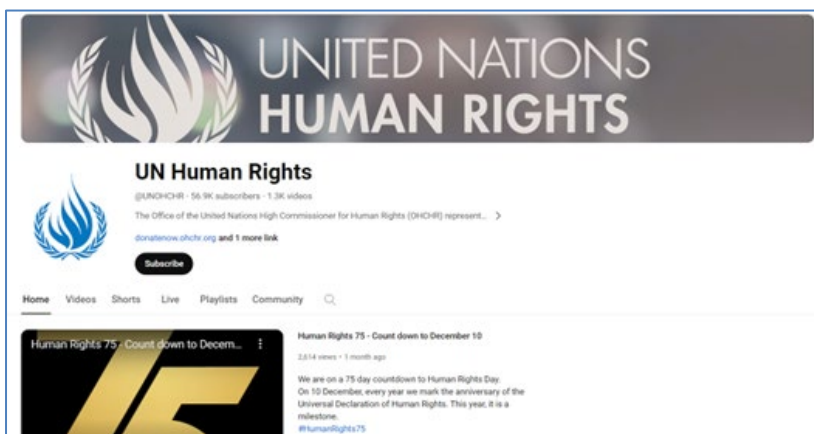


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
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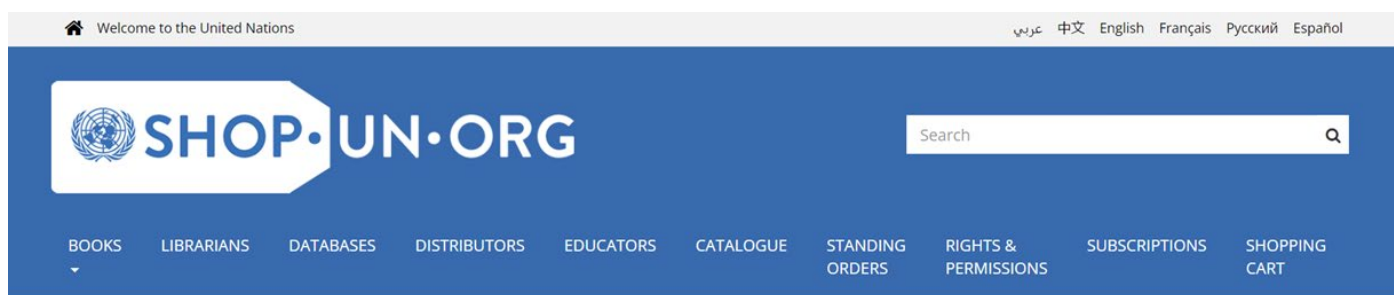
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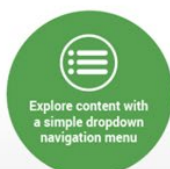
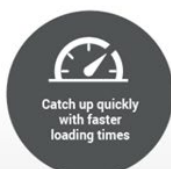
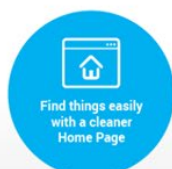
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