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### Human Rights in the 2030 Agenda

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A Human Rights-Based Agenda

- People-centred

- **Universal**: applicable to all countries and all peoples

- **Indivisible**: civil-political & socio-economic

- **Equality and Non-Discrimination**: «leaving no one behind», inequalities, data disaggregation

- **Participatory**: potential to open civic space

- **Accountability** of States to their people
Alignment with international human rights standards

- Implementation of the 2030 Agenda should be **fully aligned with international human rights norms and standards**
- Recommendations from international human rights mechanisms should guide implementation of the SDGs
- SDG reporting should include and link to human rights reporting – this will **improve follow-up and reduce reporting burden**
- An **integrated, non-selective approach** to SDG implementation; indivisibility of rights throughout the process
- Most of the 169 SDG targets directly or indirectly reflect human rights standards.
Linking HR reporting and SDG reporting

- The HR-SDG mapping shows how there are many overlapping issues under human rights and SDGs
- Bring together national bodies responsible for:
  - HR monitoring and reporting (e.g. NMRF)
  - SDG monitoring and reporting
- Encourage integration of HR issues in SDG monitoring at national, regional and global levels
  - Helps to strengthen alignment of SDGs with HR
  - Helps States to open space for civil society participation
  - Strengthen policy coherence
Practical Tips

• Find what human rights instrument that your country has signed up for, (please see OHCHR website).

• Identify where to find relevant data, as the country regularly submit reports to the HRMs, the latest information will be found on OHCHR website country search.
Practical Tips (continued)

Identify the links between SDGs targets and human rights recommendations, using the Universal Human Rights Index, a tool where all recommendations from UN HRMs filtered by theme, affected group and SDG and Target are found.
Using recommendations of the HR mechanisms to identify who is left behind and measure progress on SDGs
OHCHR online database: Human Rights recommendations searchable by theme, affected group and SDGs /SDG targets
WHAT IS THE NATIONAL RECOMMENDATIONS TRACKING DATABASE (NRTD)?

The NRTD is a database that facilitates the recording, tracking and reporting on the implementation of human rights recommendations emanating from international, regional and national human rights mechanisms at the national level.
For more information

please draw on the expertise of Treaty Body Capacity Building Program colleagues based in the OHCHR Regional Offices in Addis Ababa, Dakar, Pretoria, and Yaoundé

Thanks to you ALL!