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Human Rights in the 2030 Agenda

<i>Preamble</i>	The SDGs seek “seek to realize the human rights of all”
<i>Para 8</i>	We envisage a world of universal respect for human rights and human dignity, the rule of law, justice, equality and non-discrimination; of respect for race, ethnicity and cultural diversity; and of equal opportunity
<i>Para 10</i>	The new Agenda is guided by the purposes and principles of the Charter of the United Nations, including full respect for international law. It is grounded in the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, international human rights treaties.....
<i>Para 19</i>	We emphasize the responsibilities of all States, in conformity with the Charter of the United Nations, to respect, protect and promote human rights and fundamental freedoms for all, without distinction of any kind as to race, colour, sex, language, religion, political or other opinion, national or social origin, property, birth, disability or other status.
<i>Para 18</i>	We reaffirm our commitment to international law and emphasize that the Agenda is to be implemented in a manner that is consistent with the rights and obligations of states under international law.



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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




The screenshot shows the homepage of the Universal Human Rights Index (UHRI). At the top left is the United Nations Human Rights Office of the High Commissioner logo. To its right is the text "Universal Human Rights Index". On the top right, there is a navigation menu with "About", "Search", "Countries", and "SDGs", followed by a language selector set to "English" and a help icon. The main heading reads "Welcome to the Universal Human Rights Index (UHRI)". Below this is a descriptive paragraph: "A database giving you access to human rights recommendations issued by three key pillars of the United Nations human rights protection system: the Treaty Bodies established under the international human rights treaties as well as the Special Procedures and the Universal Periodic Review (UPR) of the Human Rights Council." A prominent orange button labeled "Start your search" is centered below the text. The background features a large, faint United Nations emblem.

What information can I find in the UHRI?

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OHCHR online database: Human Rights recommendations searchable by theme, affected group and SDGs /SDG targets




Universal Human Rights Index

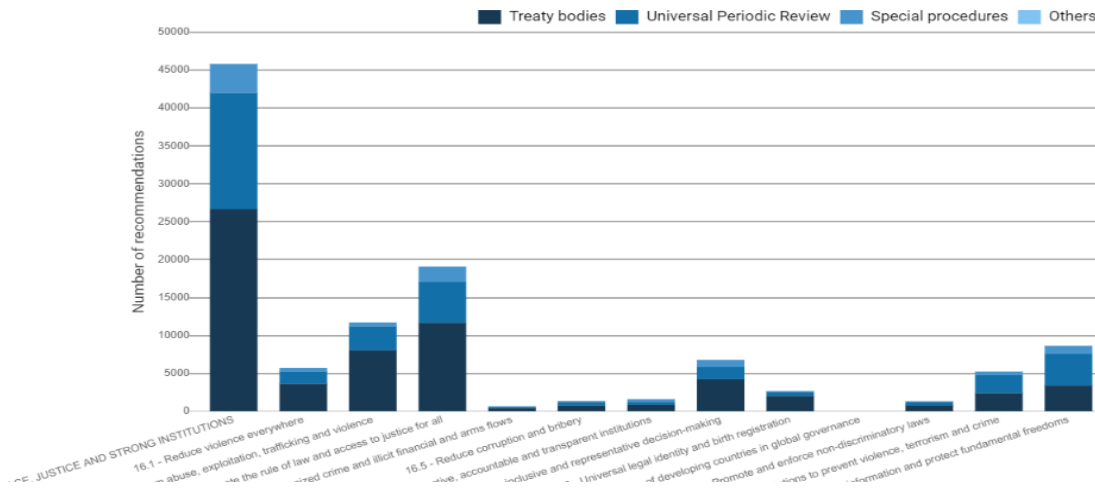
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Country Mechanism Affected Persons Reset Apply 13

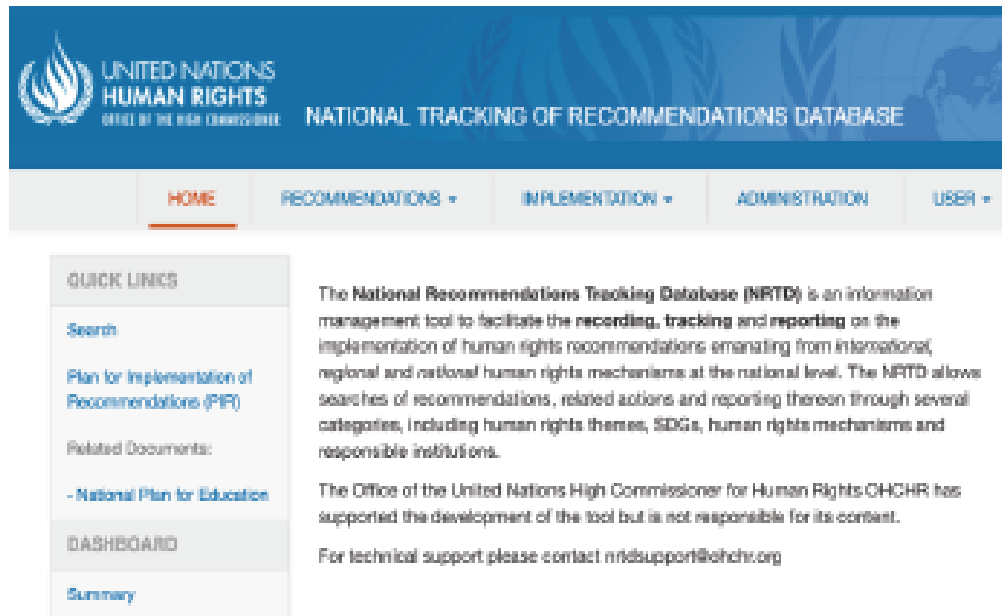
SDG:

- 16 - PEACE, JUSTICE AND STRONG INSTITUTIONS ×
- 16.1 - Reduce violence everywhere ×
- 16.2 - Protect children from abuse, exploitation, trafficking and violence ×
- 16.3 - Promote the rule of law and access to justice for all ×
- 16.4 - Combat organized crime and illicit financial and arms flows ×
- 16.5 - Reduce corruption and bribery ×
- 16.6 - Effective, accountable and transparent institutions ×
- 16.7 - Responsive, inclusive and representative decision-making ×
- 16.9 - Universal legal identity and birth registration ×
- 16.8 - Full participation of developing countries in global governance ×
- 16.b - Promote and enforce non-discriminatory laws ×
- 16.a - Strong institutions to prevent violence, terrorism and crime ×
- 16.10 - Ensure public access to information and protect fundamental freedoms ×

Distribution of recommendations across Goals



WHAT IS THE NATIONAL RECOMMENDATIONS TRACKING DATABASE (NRTD)?



The screenshot shows the top navigation bar of the NRTD website. It features the United Nations Human Rights Office of the High Commissioner logo and the title "NATIONAL TRACKING OF RECOMMENDATIONS DATABASE". Below the navigation bar is a "QUICK LINKS" sidebar with options like "Search", "Plan for Implementation of Recommendations (PIP)", and "Related Documents". The main content area contains a description of the NRTD as an information management tool for recording, tracking, and reporting on human rights recommendations, along with contact information for technical support.

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QUICK LINKS

- [Search](#)
- [Plan for Implementation of Recommendations \(PIP\)](#)
- [Related Documents:](#)
 - [- National Plan for Education](#)

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The **National Recommendations Tracking Database (NRTD)** is an information management tool to facilitate 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. The NRTD allows searches of recommendations, related actions and reporting thereon through several categories, including human rights themes, SDGs, human rights mechanisms and responsible institutions.

The Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights-OHCHR has supported the development of the tool but is not responsible for its content.

For technical support please contact nrtidsupport@ohchr.org

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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!



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