Human Rights, the 2030 Agenda and the SDGs

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## Human Rights in the 2030 Agenda

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<th><strong>Preamble</strong></th>
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<td>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</td>
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<td>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.....</td>
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<td>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.</td>
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The SDGs: A rights-based agenda
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✓ People-centred

✓ Universal: applicable to all countries and all peoples.

✓ Indivisible: integrated nature – civil-political & socio-economic

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

✓ Participatory: consultative process, potential to open space

✓ Accountability of States to their people
OHCHR: Support to SDG implementation
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“A robust, voluntary, effective, participatory, transparent and integrated follow-up and review framework”
‘OHCHR’s key priority is to ensure the SDGs are implemented in a manner consistent with international human rights standards.’
Guidance from HR recommendations

1. **Recommendations of HR mechanisms** help to identify key issues and provide guidance for implementation.

2. **Building synergies** between HR and SDG reporting: improve follow up and reduce States’ reporting burdens.
Summary:

Added value of HRBA to SDGs

- Better process
  - Participatory, inclusive, transparent governance
  - Enhances legitimacy of development priorities

- Better outcomes
  - Better identification and more focus of those left behind
  - Addresses trends of rising inequalities and discrimination
  - Avoids harm that delegitimizes development

- Better synergies between human rights, development, peace and security
Thank You