GERMANY





HUMAN RIGHTS AT THE HEART OF RESPONSE

Relevance of human rights recommendations in responding to the pandemic

OHCHR aims to put human rights at the heart of the response of States, UN partners, civil society and the private sector to COVID-19. It focuses on supporting six priority areas: 1. Respect for all human rights and addressing specific issues which might be less visible or more sensitive; 2. Vulnerable people and groups; 3. Participation, inclusion and access to information; 4. Economic and social rights; 5. Integrating human rights into the UN system response; and 6. UN Human Rights Mechanisms contribution to COVID-19 response.

The graph shows recommendations addressed to Germany by the UN Human Rights Mechanisms, the Universal Periodic Review, the Special Procedures mandate holders and the Treaty Bodies in the 5 years prior to the pandemic, which OHCHR assesses as particularly relevant in responding to the pandemic in an inclusive and sustainable way. All recommendations addressed to Germany can be found at the Universal Human Rights Index at https://uhri.ohchr.org/.

Increase social benefits; pension for women; and welfare services for children and youth

Enforce minimum wage

Address the gender wage gap

(CESCR; CEDAVV; UPR)



Ensure that food exports to developing countries do not threaten the viability of their farming sector

(CESCR)



Ensure equal access to medical services for all, including asylum-seekers and children with disabilities

Ensure equal access to medical services for Sinti and Roma

(CESCR; CERD; UPR)





Address inequalities in education

Ensure a sufficient number of qualified teachers

Integrate children with disabilities in mainstream schools

(CESCR; CRPD; UPR)

Meet the official development assistance commitment

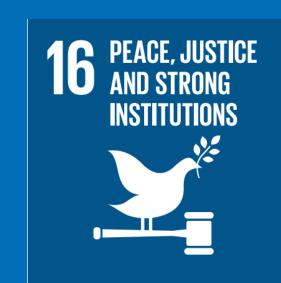
(CESCR)



Combat violence against asylum seekers and migrants

Ensure all fundamental safeguards to all detainees, including migrants

(WG on Arbitrary Detention; CAT; UPR)



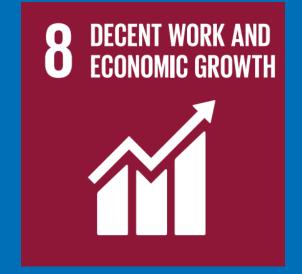




Combat domestic violence and gender-based violence

Provide counselling and support to victims of domestic violence

(CEDAW; UPR)



Strengthen inspections in the agricultural sector

Ensure same conditions for domestic workers as for other workers

(CESCR)

Increase public housing funding and the threshold for housing reimbursement

Ensure adequate reception facilities, including emergency shelters

Extend accessibility to facilities and services of persons with disabilities

(CESCR; CRPD)





LEAVE NO ONE BEHIND

Prohibit physical restraints on elderly people in résidential care centres

Address racial discrimination against refugees

Integrate the Sinti and Roma by promoting their access to education, housing, employment and health care

(WG Arbitrary detention; CERD; CRPD; UPR)



Promote cultural diversity and social harmony, and eliminate structural racial discrimination

Combat hate speech and racist propaganda, including on Internet

(WG on People of African Descent CEDAVV; CERD; UPR)