



**Pledge submitted by Germany to the Human Rights 75 Secretariat
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PLEDGE NUMBER 1: Germany pledges to protect, promote and respect human rights at home:

- Germany has entered into extensive international commitments on the protection of human rights. These will continue to guide our policy action in Germany and worldwide.
- Germany appreciates the UN membership's recommendations on how to improve human rights in Germany, in particular through the 4th cycle of the Universal Periodic Review (UPR). Germany is grateful for the many Member States actively engaging in the UPR hearing on 9th November 2023 and intends to support the largest possible number of recommendations received.

Expected deadline within which pledge will be realised: Dec 31, 2024

PLEDGE NUMBER 2: Germany pledges to protect and foster respect for human rights worldwide:

- Germany will continue to address human rights challenges as a political priority in its bilateral political dialogues and consultations, engage in dialogue over them and assist partners in making the enjoyment of human rights a reality worldwide.
- Germany's Human Rights Action Plan 2023 – 2024 comprising 24 priorities will guide the entire government's human rights engagement.
- Germany will continue to support civil society projects aimed at improving the human rights situation worldwide, including through strengthening human rights defenders and wherever possible support gender-sensitive and gender-transformative projects. It will assist human rights defenders inter alia through the Elisabeth-Selbert-Initiative providing protective stays and other assistance. Germany will also continue to financially support civil society's human rights engagement worldwide
- The Federal Foreign Office has adopted a feminist foreign policy (FFP), with the aim of strengthening the rights, resources and representation of women and marginalized groups. As Co-Chair of the Equal Rights Coalition, Germany pledges to tackle violence and discrimination against LGBTI persons.
- Germany will continue to work towards improving political and civil rights as well as economic, social and cultural rights, for example in the areas of water and housing.
- Germany will pursue the pledges it committed to as candidate for the Human Rights Council (A/77/301), and will build on these pledges for its 2026 candidacy to the Council. Germany will work to ensure that human rights are given due prominence in the outcome document of the Summit of the Future.

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PLEDGE NUMBER 3: Germany pledges to continue to support and strengthen the Human Rights Council and to engage to improve both its efficiency as well as its institutional status:

- Currently the fourth-largest donor to OHCHR, Germany will continue its close cooperation by, inter alia, providing substantial political and financial support for the work of the UN's High Commissioner for Human Rights and his Office.

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