COVID-19: BUILDING BACK MORE EQUAL, JUST AND SUSTAINABLE SOCIETIES WITH HUMAN RIGHTS AND THE SDGS

SAVE THE DATES FOR THIS UPCOMING WEBINAR SERIES ON COVID-19 RESPONSE AND RECOVERY, HUMAN RIGHTS AND THE SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS

The COVID-19 pandemic serves as a magnifying glass, revealing and exacerbating existing patterns of vulnerability, inequality and discrimination. The pandemic has had disproportionate impacts on already marginalised groups and the measures that states take to address the crisis can exacerbate these inequalities.

The patterns of vulnerability, inequality and neglect that the pandemic expose reflect long overdue obligations of states under international human rights law, as well as pending commitments under the 2030 Agenda. Timely and efficient implementation of these obligations and commitments would increase our collective resilience to shocks and disasters, including the COVID-19 pandemic.

Thus, human rights and the 2030 Agenda together provide substantial guidance and should be put at the core of immediate crisis response and long-term COVID-19 recovery strategies towards fair, resilient and sustainable societies that leave no one behind.

During the fall of 2020, the Danish Institute for Human Rights will host a series of webinars to facilitate interactive dialogues on how to use human rights and the SDGs to build back more equal, just and resilient societies. Each webinar will be organised in partnership and collaboration with other organisations and create opportunities for interactive dialogues.

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The global COVID-19 pandemic is exposing and exacerbating existing human rights violations and inequalities with a devastating effect on vulnerable groups and societies. Human rights standards and the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development together provide substantial guidance for immediate crisis response, and for long-term recovery strategies towards fair, resilient and sustainable societies that leave no one behind.

Join us for this webinar to get insights from practical experiences and efforts towards using human rights and the Sustainable Development Goals in an integrated manner to enhance the trust and legitimacy that are needed to ‘build back better’.

The webinar is organised in partnership with DiploFoundation and it is also part of the ‘Right On Initiative’, which you can find HERE.

Is the COVID-19 pandemic providing states with a pretext for adopting repressive measures unrelated to the pandemic to silence critical voices? What impacts on the enjoyment of the freedoms of association, assembly and expression have COVID-19 response measures had to date? How can human rights standards and mechanisms and the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development be used as a platform for monitoring and securing accountability and a more enabling environment for the political participation of all, including human rights defenders?

Explore these questions with us in this webinar in which we will also point to strategies, methods and possible partnerships for addressing current challenges for human rights defenders.

The impacts of COVID-19 have not been felt evenly. The crisis has both laid bare and exacerbated existing inequalities and discrimination. In many countries, death rates have been higher among ethnic minorities, and violence against children and violence against women and girls has increased – and some vulnerable groups have experienced stigma and increased incidents of discrimination and hate-speech. As a result, societies across the world need to identify ways of avoiding long-term effects on inequality and discrimination in the wake of the crisis.

Join us for this webinar to get insights on how to use human rights standards, mechanisms and data to design and operationalise the special measures which are needed to build back more equal, sustainable and resilient communities, and to achieve the overall vision of the 2030 Agenda of leaving no one behind.