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**10.1 Global System—United Nations**

-Human Rights Treaties

[OHCHR | Core International Instruments](https://www.ohchr.org/EN/ProfessionalInterest/Pages/CoreInstruments.aspx)

-Human Rights Treaty Bodies

[OHCHR | Human Rights Treaty Bodies](https://www.ohchr.org/EN/HRBodies/Pages/Overview.aspx)

-UN High Commissioner for Human Rights

<https://www.ohchr.org/en/about-us/high-commissioner>

-UN High Commissioner for Refugees

<https://www.unhcr.org/>

-UN Human Rights Commission

[OHCHR | CHR Background information](https://www.ohchr.org/EN/HRBodies/CHR/Pages/Background.aspx)

-UN Human Rights Council

[HRC Home | OHCHR](https://www.ohchr.org/en/hrbodies/hrc/home)

**10.2 Regional Systems—Africa**

-African Charter on Human and People’s Rights

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-African Human Rights System Research Guide

[African Human Rights System - Research Guides (columbia.edu)](http://library.law.columbia.edu/guides/African_Human_Rights_System#:~:text=The%20central%20human%20rights%20treaty%20in%20the%20African,1986%20sources%3A%201520%20U.N.T.S.%20217%3B%2021%20I.L.M.%2058)

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<https://www.amnesty.org/en/location/asia-and-the-pacific/report-asia-and-the-pacific/>

-Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) Homepage

[Home - ASEAN Main Portal](https://asean.org/)

-ASEAN Membership

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<https://harvardilj.org/2016/07/the-emerging-asian-pacific-court-of-human-rights-in-the-context-of-state-and-non-state-liability/#:~:text=This%20Court%20%E2%80%9Cshall%20have%20jurisdiction,wastes%2C%20illicit%20exploitation%20of%20natural>

**10.4 Regional Systems—Europe**

-European Convention for the Protection of Human Rights and Fundamental Freedoms

<https://www.echr.coe.int/documents/d/echr/convention_eng>

-European Court of Human Rights (ECHR) Homepage

<https://www.echr.coe.int/>

-ECHR Admissibility Criteria

<https://www.echr.coe.int/Documents/Admissibility_guide_ENG.pdf>

-ECHR Flowchart on Case Processing

[Case-processing: The life of an application (coe.int)](https://www.echr.coe.int/Documents/Case_processing_ENG.pdf)

-European Union Homepage

<https://european-union.europa.eu/index_en>

-Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe (OSCE) Homepage

[Who we are | OSCE](https://www.osce.org/who-we-are)

-The Council of Europe Homepage

<https://www.coe.int/en/web/portal>

**10.5 Regional Systems—Islamic States**

-Arab Charter on Human Rights (English translation)

<http://hrlibrary.umn.edu/instree/loas2005.html>

-Arab Human Rights Committee

<http://www.lasportal.org/ar/legalnetwork/Pages/agreements_details.aspx?RID=69>

-Cairo Declaration on Human Rights in Islam (English translation)

[University of Minnesota Human Rights Library (umn.edu)](http://hrlibrary.umn.edu/instree/cairodeclaration.html)

-Independent Permanent Human Rights Commission

<http://www.oic-iphrc.org/home/post/1>

-Islamic Human Rights Commission

<https://www.ihrc.org.uk/ihrc-at-un/>

-League of Arab States Homepage

<http://www.lasportal.org/ar/legalnetwork/Pages/agreements_details.aspx?RID=69>

-Organisation of Islamic Cooperation

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-Inter-American Commission on Human Rights Homepage

<https://www.oas.org/en/iachr/>

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