

CALL TO ACTION FOR HUMAN RIGHTS

Collective Action

Our world today is more connected than it has ever been, but our approach to problem-solving is increasingly fragmented. Many governments have turned away from multilateralism and human solidarity, even as we face some of our greatest global challenges.

Global problems cannot be solved without global solutions. The COVID-19 pandemic and other crisis have demonstrated that human rights must be front and center of the response. While member states carry the primary responsibility for human rights, it is also clear that we need everyone – including private sector entities, civil society, and the general public – to come together to build a more sustainable, just, inclusive and peaceful world in which human dignity is ensured for all, not only for the few.

Only by joining forces through joint commitment to and action for human rights can we overcome our greatest challenges, from COVID-19, to climate change, to rising inequalities, including gender inequality. Engaging member states on human rights and improving early action is particularly important. To this end, mobilizing the full spectrum of international and regional human rights mechanisms and reasserting respect for international law is of the essence.

The Call to Action will:

- 1. Strengthen support of Member States' human rights initiatives**
- 2. Strengthen the UN's use of human rights tools and entry points** in support of Member States' implementation of their human rights commitments, including the Universal Periodic Review, the Human Rights Treaty Bodies and the Special Procedures of the Human Rights Council
- 3. Advocate for increased support for human rights** across the world

