

## Human Rights as an Agenda of International Organizations

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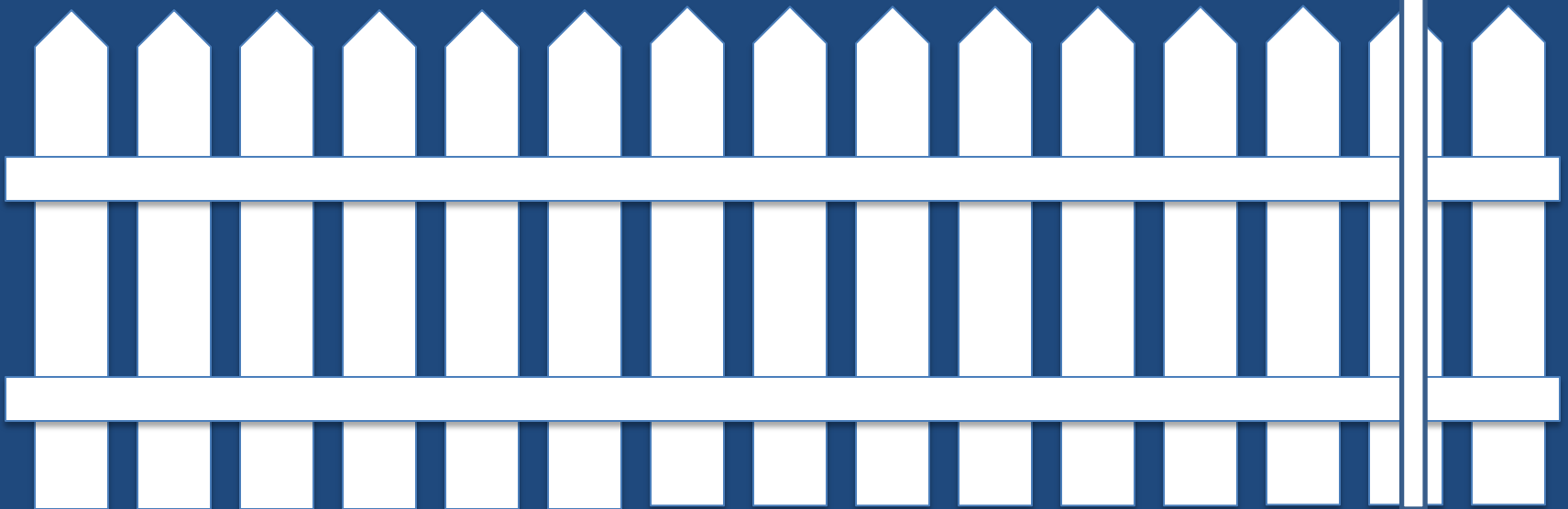
# Intro

- Your professional / educational background
- Name 1 human right you realized today

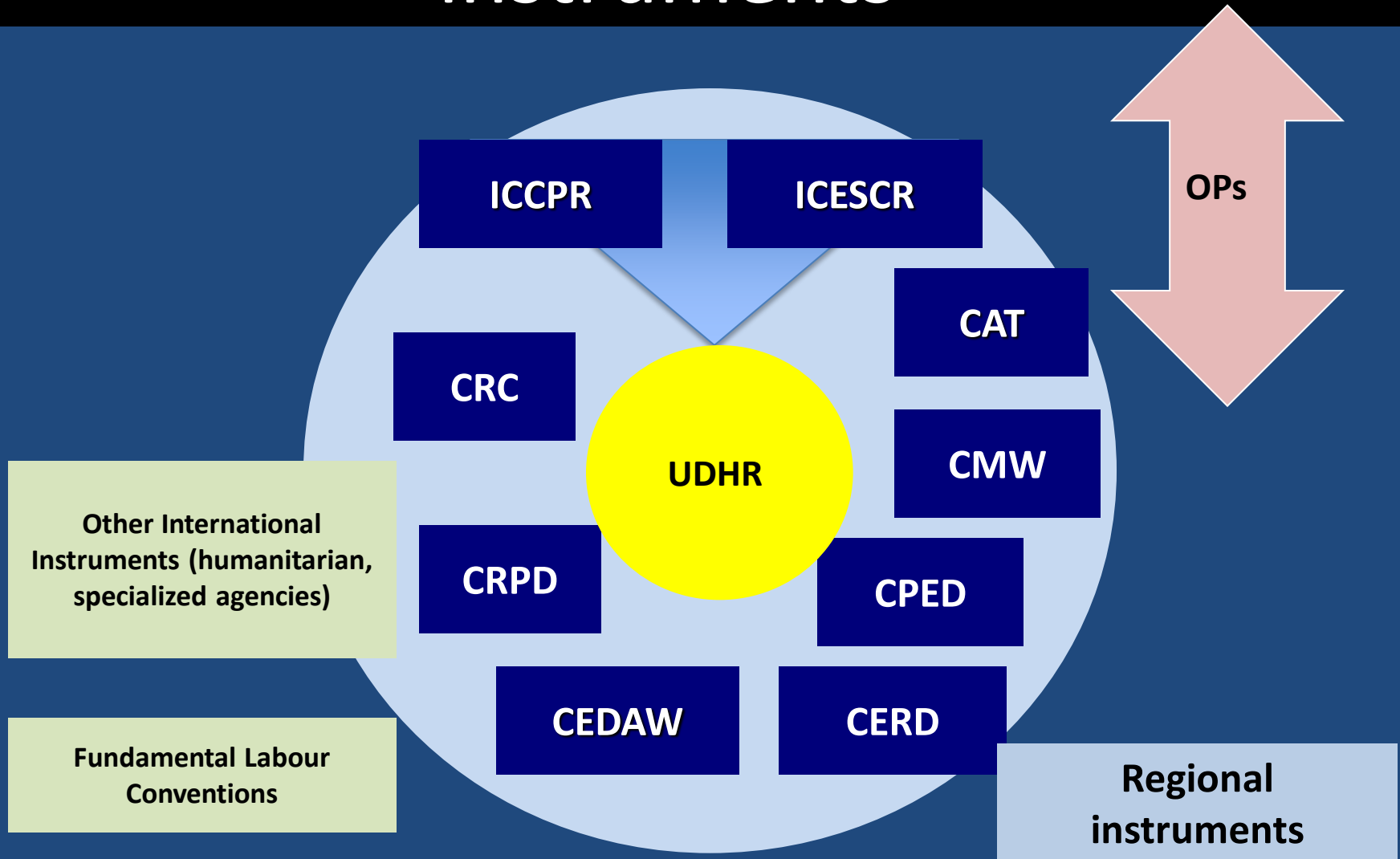
# International Human Rights Protection system



“Legal frameworks, institutions, procedures and actors to ensure that international human rights norms and standards are promoted, respected, protected and fulfilled”



# International Human rights instruments



# International human rights machinery

## Treaty bodies

- **monitor and facilitate** the implementation of the treaties through
- Review **State Party reports** and additional sources of information
- Adopt **observations /recommendations**

## Human Rights Council

- Promotes universal protection;
- Addresses and prevents violations;
- Develops international law;
- Reviews the compliance of State Parties;
- Responds to emergencies;
- International forum for dialogue.



# European Human Rights Protection and Promotion System



## European Convention on Human Rights

## European **Convention** on Human Rights

Drafted in 1950 by the Council of Europe,  
entered into force on 3 September 1953

## The EU **Charter** of Fundamental Rights

Proclaimed on 7 December 2000 by the  
European Parliament, the Council and the  
European Commission. Entered into force of  
the Treaty of Lisbon on 1 December 2009



ESSAYS IN EUROPEAN LAW

## The EU Charter of Fundamental Rights

Politics, Law and Policy

Edited by  
Steve Peers and Angela Ward

BLOOMSBURY





- 10,000 judgements;
- Judgements applicable in national law;
- Governments to alter their legislation;
- Compensation to the applicants;

## European Court for Human Rights



- Promote the respect for Human Rights;
- Awareness + Communication;
- Research and Analysis;
- Commissioner for Human Rights.



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UN Charter,  
Universal Declaration of Human Rights,  
ICCPR, ICESCR, CERD, CRC, CEDAW, CAT,  
CMW, CRPD, CPED,

Development

Peace &  
Security

Human Rights

# Human Rights as an Agenda of International Organizations



1. Human Rights as organizational premise/objective
  - International / regional intergovernmental
  - NGOs

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## 2. Human Rights and politics

- International / regional intergovernmental
- NGOs
- Private sector



# How to use the international human rights machinery?



Human Rights as modus operandi of international organizations

- Human rights mainstreaming
- Human rights-based approach



# Human rights mainstreaming = human rights-based approach

A conceptual framework and a methodology to enrich the process of development and direct it to serve the people

- normatively based on international human rights standards and principles
- operationally directed at promoting and protecting human rights
- Focuses on discriminated and marginalized groups
- Gives equal importance to the outcome and process of development

# The Agency's tasks

## Coast Guard Functions

undertaken in line with FR standards

## Training

All FX staff understands their FR rights and obligations

## Research and Innovation

The impact of new technologies on the enjoyment of FR

## Combatting cross-border crime

Due process in line with international principles

## International and EU cooperation

Partners comply with FR

## Risk analysis and vulnerability assessment

Disaggregated data

## Operations

Planned, conducted and evaluated in line with Fundamental Rights

## Returns

Compliance with non-refoulement

## Situation

People-centered monitoring

## Respect for fundamental rights

## European Border and Coast Guard Agency

And Fundamental Rights

# At what stages of programming is HRBA useful?

## Situation Analysis

- Who needs our support, Why? What is the problem? What is it we can do to assist? Who is responsible?

## Project Implementation

- did you build outcomes that are in line with international standard?
- Are you making sure not to involve stakeholders implicated in human rights violations?

## Strategic Planning

- Are there any recommendations of the Treaty Bodies / to guide your project planning?

## Monitoring & Evaluation

- do you measure performance based on rights-holders perception?
- are you involving stakeholders in joint evaluation of the project?

# exercise

## **Context:**

In country Z, the COVID-19-caused economic crisis led to financial austerity and progressive poverty among wide swaths of the population. As the crisis progresses and further groups protest against the austerity, the government turns to tightening the security, investing in the police and countering the protests with force. As the powers of the police expand, the prisons fill up with the protesters, international human rights organizations inform the world about torture in detention.

## **Information about Z:**

GDP per capita in 2019 – USD 2,500, the accession talks with the EU opened 3 years earlier; member of the Council of Europe, ratified all of the UN Human Rights Treaties; active participant of the Human Rights Council and other human rights machinery. Office of the High Commissioner is present in the Country,

You can apply for the EC Grant - Build a human rights project – main priorities.



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