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Dear cedaw4change members,

Season's greetings from IRAW Asia Pacific.

Please find below an extensive list of web resources relating to CEDAW and women's human rights which we believe you will find invaluable in your work in the promotion of women's equality. Do save this email for your personal reference.

We wish you all the best. May the New Year bring us closer to the achievement of equal rights for women.

Warmest wishes from all at IRAW Asia Pacific

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**C. UN entities specialising in gender issues**

**D. UN human rights instruments and bodies**

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**G. Regional human rights instruments and bodies**

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**A. CEDAW**

**Text of the CEDAW Convention**

<[http://www.iwraw-ap.org/convention/convention\\_text.htm](http://www.iwraw-ap.org/convention/convention_text.htm)>

<<http://www.un.org/womenwatch/daw/cedaw/text/econvention.htm>>

### **Principles of the CEDAW Convention – substantive equality, non-discrimination and state obligation**

<<http://www.iwraw-ap.org/convention/principles.htm>>

<<http://www.iwraw-ap.org/convention/equality.htm>>

<[http://www.iwraw-ap.org/convention/non\\_discrimination.htm](http://www.iwraw-ap.org/convention/non_discrimination.htm)>

<<http://www.iwraw-ap.org/convention/obligation.htm>>

<<http://www.iwraw-ap.org/convention/conclusion.htm>>

### **The CEDAW Committee – role and members of the committee**

<<http://www.iwraw-ap.org/committee.htm>>

<<http://www.iwraw-ap.org/committee/role.htm>>

<<http://www.un.org/womenwatch/daw/cedaw/members.htm>>

### **General Recommendations of the CEDAW Committee**

<<http://www.iwraw-ap.org/convention/general.htm>>

<<http://www.un.org/womenwatch/daw/cedaw/recommendations/index.html>>

### **Concluding Comments of the CEDAW Committee**

<<http://www.iwraw-ap.org/committee/comments.htm>>

<<http://www.iwraw-ap.org/committee/list.htm>>

### **List of State parties to the CEDAW Convention**

<<http://www.iwraw-ap.org/convention/parties.htm>>

<<http://www.un.org/womenwatch/daw/cedaw/states.htm>>

### **Reservations and/or Declarations entered into by State parties**

<[http://www.iwraw-ap.org/convention/reservations\\_parties.htm](http://www.iwraw-ap.org/convention/reservations_parties.htm)>

<<http://www.un.org/womenwatch/daw/cedaw/reservations.htm>>

### **Reporting schedule of State parties**

<<http://www.iwraw-ap.org/committee/schedule.htm>>

<<http://www.un.org/womenwatch/daw/cedaw/sessions.htm>>

*[Note: the DAW's webpage also includes the reports of the CEDAW Committee and other official documents such as the State party's report, List of Issues and Questions and State party responses, Statements, Concluding Comments, Summary Records and Press Releases from the Session]*

### **Reports presented to the CEDAW Committee by States Parties**

<<http://www.un.org/womenwatch/daw/cedaw/reports.htm>>

**Guidelines for States Parties reports** <<http://www.un.org/womenwatch/daw/cedaw/reporting.htm>>

### **Sample NGO Shadow/Alternative reports**

<[http://www.iwraw-ap.org/using\\_cedaw/sample\\_shadow.htm](http://www.iwraw-ap.org/using_cedaw/sample_shadow.htm)>

<[http://www.iwraw-ap.org/resources/shadow\\_reports.htm](http://www.iwraw-ap.org/resources/shadow_reports.htm)>

### **Guidelines for NGO Shadow/Alternative reports and how NGOs can influence the reporting process**

<[http://www.iwraw-ap.org/using\\_cedaw/sreport\\_guidelines.htm](http://www.iwraw-ap.org/using_cedaw/sreport_guidelines.htm)>

<[http://www.iwraw-ap.org/using\\_cedaw/writing\\_shadow.htm](http://www.iwraw-ap.org/using_cedaw/writing_shadow.htm)>

<[http://www.iwraw-ap.org/using\\_cedaw/effective.htm](http://www.iwraw-ap.org/using_cedaw/effective.htm)>

### **Division for the Advancement of Women (DAW) – information about DAW**

<<http://www.un.org/womenwatch/daw/daw/>>

### **Other Selected Women's Human Rights Related Instruments**

#### **Declaration on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women**

<<http://www.unhchr.ch/html/menu3/b/21.htm>>

#### **Declaration on the Elimination of Violence against Women**

<<http://www.ohchr.org/english/law/eliminationvaw.htm>>

#### **Beijing Declaration and Platform for Action**

<<http://www.un.org/womenwatch/daw/beijing/platform/>>

#### **International Conference on Population and Development (Cairo) Programme of Action**

<[http://www.unfpa.org/icpd/icpd\\_poa.htm](http://www.unfpa.org/icpd/icpd_poa.htm)>

### **CEDAW Online Resources**

UNIFEM, *Bringing Equality Home: Implementing the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination Against Women* (New York; 1998)

<[http://www.iwraw-ap.org/resources/pdf/BringingEqualityHome\\_eng.pdf](http://www.iwraw-ap.org/resources/pdf/BringingEqualityHome_eng.pdf)>

UNIFEM, *CEDAW MADE EASY : Question & Answer Booklet*(Barbados, 2004)

<<http://www.iwraw-ap.org/resources/pdf/CEDAWMadeEasy.pdf>>

Partners for Law in Development, *CEDAW: Restoring Rights to Women* (New Delhi; 2004)

<<http://www.iwraw-ap.org/aboutus/pdf/CEDAWRealisingRights.pdf>>

**Ana Elena Obando, WHRnet: “The CEDAW Committee – A space for our rights”**

<[http://www.whrnet.org/docs/issue-cedaw\\_committee.html](http://www.whrnet.org/docs/issue-cedaw_committee.html)>

**International Women’s Rights Project: Updated and Annotated CEDAW Bibliography**

**A compilation of sources dealing with CEDAW.**

<<http://www.iwrp.org/pdf/biblio.pdf>>

**Diane Elson, *Monitoring Government Budgets for Compliance with CEDAW: A Report to UNIFEM* (2005).**

<[http://www.iwraw-ap.org/resources/pdf/MonitoringGovernmentBudgetsComplianceCEDAW\\_eng.pdf](http://www.iwraw-ap.org/resources/pdf/MonitoringGovernmentBudgetsComplianceCEDAW_eng.pdf)>

**Selected NGO websites on CEDAW**

International Women’s Rights Action Watch Asia Pacific <<http://www.iwraw-ap>>

International Women’s Rights Action Watch - University of Minnesota, USA  
<<http://www.igc.org/iwraw/>>

Amnesty International USA: Campaign for the Ratification of CEDAW in the USA<<http://www.amnesty-usa.org/cedaw/>>

Human Rights Watch – on CEDAW

<<http://www.hrw.org/campaigns/cedaw/>>

**B. OPTIONAL PROTOCOL TO CEDAW**

**Text of the OP-CEDAW**

<[http://www.iwraw-ap.org/protocol/text\\_english.htm](http://www.iwraw-ap.org/protocol/text_english.htm)>  
<<http://www.un.org/womenwatch/daw/cedaw/protocol/text.htm>>

**List of State parties to the OP-CEDAW**

<[http://www.iwraw-ap.org/protocol/list\\_signatories.htm](http://www.iwraw-ap.org/protocol/list_signatories.htm)>

<<http://www.un.org/womenwatch/daw/cedaw/protocol/sigop.htm>>

### **Communications procedure under the Optional Protocol**

<<http://www.iwraw-ap.org/protocol/communications.htm>>

<<http://www.iwraw-ap.org/protocol/commchart.htm>>

### **Inquiry procedure under the Optional Protocol**

<<http://www.iwraw-ap.org/protocol/inquiry.htm>>

<<http://www.iwraw-ap.org/protocol/inquirychart.htm>>

### **NGOs and the OP-CEDAW**

<[http://www.iwraw-ap.org/protocol/tips\\_ngos.htm](http://www.iwraw-ap.org/protocol/tips_ngos.htm)>

### **Selected OP-CEDAW Online Resources**

#### **The Division for the Advancement of Women – Optional Protocol to CEDAW**

<<http://www.un.org/womenwatch/daw/cedaw/protocol/>>

#### **IWRAW Asia Pacific's website on the Optional Protocol to CEDAW**

##### **English:**

<<http://www.iwraw-ap.org/protocol.htm>>

##### **Spanish:**

<<http://www.iwraw-ap.org/PFCedawEspanyol/index.htm>>

**IWRAW Asia Pacific, *Our Rights Are Not Optional!* Advocating for the implementation of the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women (CEDAW) through its Optional Protocol. A Resource Guide(2005)**

<<http://www.iwraw-ap.org/aboutus/tools.htm>>

#### **How to Complain to the UN Treaty System: OP-CEDAW**

<<http://www.bayefsky.com/tree.php/id/9182>>

#### **AWID - CEDAW and the Optional Protocol to**

**CEDAW**<<http://www.awid.org/publications/primers/factsissues2.pdf>>

**Women's Human Rights Net - The OP-CEDAW and Its Applicability on the Ground**<<http://www.whrnet.org/docs/issue-cedaw1.html>>

**Ana Elena Obando, WHRnet: “The CEDAW Committee – A space for our rights”** <[http://www.whrnet.org/docs/issue-cedaw\\_committee.html](http://www.whrnet.org/docs/issue-cedaw_committee.html)>

## **C. UN ENTITIES SPECIALISING IN GENDER ISSUES**

### **WomenWatch**

An inter-agency website which is a central gateway to information and resources on the promotion of gender equality and the empowerment of women throughout the United Nations system .

<<http://www.un.org/womenwatch/>>

### **Division for the Advancement of Women (DAW)**

<<http://www.un.org/women/daw>>

### **Commission for the Status of Women (CSW)**

<<http://www.un.org/womenwatch/daw/csw>>

### **International Research and Training Institute for the Advancement of Women (INSTRAW)**

<<http://www.un-instraw.org/en/>>

### **Office of the Special Adviser to the Secretary-General on Gender Issues and Advancement of Women (OSAGI)**

<<http://www.un.org/womenwatch/osagi/>>

### **United Nations Development Fund for Women (UNIFEM)**

<<http://www.unifem.org/>>

## **D. UN HUMAN RIGHTS INSTRUMENTS AND BODIES**

### **Office for the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights (OHCHR) – Overview of UN International Human Rights Law**

Contains a non-exhaustive list of international human rights law; including the International Bill of Rights, the core human rights treaties, and many other universal instruments relating to human rights.

<<http://www.ohchr.org/english/law/>>

### **Office for the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights (OHCHR) – Overview of the UN Treaty Bodies**

<<http://www.ohchr.org/english/bodies/treaty/index.htm>>

### **United Nations Human Rights Treaty System**

Fact sheet on The United Nations Human Rights Treaty System: An introduction to the core human rights treaties and the treaty bodies

<<http://www.ohchr.org/english/about/publications/docs/fs30.pdf>>

**Status of the Ratification of the Principal International Human Rights Treaties**  
(as of 16 June 2006) <<http://www.ohchr.org/english/bodies/docs/RatificationStatus.pdf>>

**Human Rights Watch: Number of Core Human Rights Treaties and Protocols Ratified**

<[http://www.hrw.org/un/elections/xls/treaty\\_asia.xls](http://www.hrw.org/un/elections/xls/treaty_asia.xls)>

**OHCHR Reporting schedules of all treaties**

- **International Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Racial Discrimination**

<<http://www.ohchr.org/english/bodies/cerd/sessions.htm>>

- **International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights**

<<http://www.ohchr.org/english/bodies/hrc/sessions.htm>>

- **International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights**

<<http://www.ohchr.org/english/bodies/cescr/sessions.htm>>

- **Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women**

<<http://www.un.org/womenwatch/daw/cedaw/sessions.htm>>

- **Convention against Torture and Other Cruel, Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment**

<<http://www.ohchr.org/english/bodies/cat/sessions.htm>>

- **Convention on the Rights of the Child**

<<http://www.ohchr.org/english/bodies/crc/sessions.htm>>

- **International Convention on the Protection of the Rights of All Migrant Workers and Members of Their Families**

<<http://www.ohchr.org/english/bodies/cmw/sessions.htm>>

**OHCHR Treaty Body Database on the UN Human Rights Conventions**

The Treaty Body database comprises information relating to the seven human rights committees that monitor implementation of the core international human rights treaties.

<<http://www.unhchr.ch/tbs/doc.nsf>>      Guide on how to use this database:

<[www.un.org/Depts/dhl/resguide/unwebsearch2.ppt](http://www.un.org/Depts/dhl/resguide/unwebsearch2.ppt)>)

### **United Nations Bibliographic Information System (UNBISnet)**

UNBISnet is comprised of three databases - Bibliographic Records (UN documents and publications indexed by the UN Dag Hammarskjöld Library in New York and the Library of the UN Office at Geneva) Voting Records (voting records for resolutions adopted by the General Assembly and the Security Council); and Index to Speeches (Citations to speeches made in the General Assembly, the Security Council, the Economic and Social Council and the Trusteeship Council)

<<http://unbisnet.un.org/>>

Guide on how to use UNBISnet:

<<http://www.un.org/Depts/dhl/resguide/unbisnetweb.ppt>>

### **Bayefsky: United Nations Human Rights Treaty System**

Contains text of the Treaties, General Recommendations, Concluding Observations/Concluding Comments of international human rights treaties

<<http://www.bayefsky.com>>

**Bayefsky: How to Complain to the UN Treaty System**<<http://www.bayefsky.com/unts/index.html>>

### **Amnesty International – Treaty Bodies**

<<http://web.amnesty.org/pages/treaty-index-eng>>

### **UN Treaty Collection – Overview**

A basic - but not an exhaustive - overview of the key terms employed in the United Nations Treaty Collection to refer to international instruments binding at international law: treaties, agreements, conventions, charters, protocols, declarations, memoranda of understanding, modus vivendi and exchange of notes. The purpose is to facilitate a general understanding of their scope and function.

<<http://untreaty.un.org/English/guide.asp>>

### **UN Treaty Collection - Database**

Contains all multilateral treaties deposited with the Secretary-General of the UN and those formerly deposited with the League of Nations - their latest status and a link to the full texts; Bilateral and multilateral treaties registered with and published by the United Nations Secretariat in accordance with Article 102 up to a certain date - Detailed treaty references and full texts in all authentic language(s); Recently Deposited Multilateral Treaties that have been deposited but not yet published - available for viewing and downloading in some or all of their authentic languages.

<<http://untreaty.un.org/English/treaty.asp>>



## **Arusha Declaration of Commitments on the Role of the Domestic Judge on the Application of International Human Rights Law at the Domestic Level**

<<http://www.un.org/womenwatch/daw/meetings/Colloq/Communique-Arusha03.htm>>

## **BangalorePrinciples**

<[http://www.thecommonwealth.org/shared\\_asp\\_files/uploadedfiles/%7BA2407AAC-A477-491D-ABA4-A2CADF227E2B%7D\\_BANGALORE%20PRINCIPLES.pdf](http://www.thecommonwealth.org/shared_asp_files/uploadedfiles/%7BA2407AAC-A477-491D-ABA4-A2CADF227E2B%7D_BANGALORE%20PRINCIPLES.pdf)>

## **Millennium Development Goals (MDGs)**

<<http://www.un.org/millenniumgoals/>>

## **Victoria FallsDeclaration of Principles for the Promotion of the Human Rights of Women, 1994**

<[http://www.thecommonwealth.org/document/34293/35468/36768/the\\_victoria\\_falls\\_declaration\\_of\\_principles\\_for\\_t.htm](http://www.thecommonwealth.org/document/34293/35468/36768/the_victoria_falls_declaration_of_principles_for_t.htm)>

## **ViennaConvention on the Law of Treaties**

<[http://untreaty.un.org/ilc/texts/instruments/english/conventions/1\\_1\\_1969.pdf](http://untreaty.un.org/ilc/texts/instruments/english/conventions/1_1_1969.pdf)>

**Vienna Declaration and Programme Of Action**<<http://www.ohchr.org/english/law/vienna.htm>>

## **E. HUMAN RIGHTS COUNCIL**

### **UN Human Rights Council website**

<<http://www.ohchr.org/english/bodies/hrcouncil/>>

### **Human Rights Council Extranet Page**

The extranet page contains updated documents, statements, and schedules of the Human Rights Council.

<<http://portal.ohchr.org/>>

To access the extranet site, go to

<<http://www.ohchr.org/english/bodies/hrcouncil/form.htm>>, fill in the form on that page with your name and email address, and a username and password will be sent to you.

### **Special Proceduresassumed by the Human Rights Council – Special Rapporteurs and Working Groups**

<<http://www.ohchr.org/english/bodies/chr/special/index.htm>>

<<http://www.ohchr.org/english/about/publications/docs/factsheet27.pdf>>

**International Service for Human Rights (ISHR) website on the Human Rights Council**

<<http://www.ishr.ch/hrm/council/index.htm>>

**International Service for Human Rights (ISHR), *A New Chapter for Human Rights: A handbook on issues of transition from the Commission on Human Rights to the Human Rights Council*(2006)**

The handbook highlights the major issues of transition from the Commission to the Council, briefly describing the old system under the Commission, what the Council needs to consider and do during its first year, and some of the key issues, and existing suggestions and choices.

<<http://www.ishr.ch/handbook/Handbook.pdf>>

**F. UN REFORM**

**UN website on the Reform at the United Nations – contains reference reports and materials**

<<http://www.un.org/reform/>>

**Office for the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights (OHCHR) website on Treaty Body Reform**

<<http://www.ohchr.org/english/bodies/treaty/reform.htm>>

**UN High-level Panel on System-wide Coherence**

<<http://www.un.org/events/panel/index.html>>

**World Federalist Movement - Institute for Global Policy (WFM-IGP) – ReformtheUN.org website**

ReformtheUN.org is a project started by the World Federalist Movement - Institute for Global Policy (WFM-IGP) that provides up-to-date information and resources about UN reform.

<<http://www.reformtheun.org/>>

**Center for Women’s Global Leadership – UN Advocacy**

**UN Advocacy with a focus on women’s human rights**

<<http://www.cwgl.rutgers.edu/globalcenter/policy/unadvocacy/index.html>>

**Harmonized guidelines on reporting under the international human rights treaties, including guidelines on a common core document and treaty-specific documents**

<<http://www.iwraw-ap.org/news/docs/Revised%20Reporting%20Guidelines%202006.pdf>>

### **Concept Paper on the High Commissioner's Proposal for a Unified Standing Treaty Body**

<<http://www.ohchr.org/english/bodies/icm-mc/docs/HRI.MC.2006.2.pdf>>

### **International Women's Tribune Centre, "UN Reform: What's in it for Women?" (August 2006)**

The International Women's Tribune Centre and the Heinrich Böll Foundation published a book entitled, "UN Reform: What's in it for Women?" in August 2006. The publication features reflections, insights, and analysis by women from different regions specifically examining the impact of the UN reform process on women at the regional and national levels. It also presents different initiatives and proposals in ensuring women's spaces within the UN as well as concrete recommendations on how to influence the UN reform process.

<[http://www.iwtc.org/reform\\_report.pdf](http://www.iwtc.org/reform_report.pdf)>

## **G. REGIONAL HUMAN RIGHTS INSTRUMENTS AND BODIES**

### **African System**

<[http://www.achpr.org/english/\\_info/news\\_en.html](http://www.achpr.org/english/_info/news_en.html)>

### **European System**

European Convention on Human Rights

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

### **Inter-American System**

#### **Inter-American Court of Human Rights Home Page**

<<http://www.corteidh.or.cr/>>

Instruments of the Inter-American system

<<http://www.corteidh.or.cr/sistemas.cfm?id=2>>

### **Arab System**

<<http://www.arableagueonline.org/las/index.jsp>>

### **NGO Working Group for an ASEAN Human Rights Mechanism**

<<http://www.aseanhrmech.org/>>

## **H. INTERNATIONAL AND REGIONAL COURTS AND JURISPRUDENCE**

## **African Commission on Human and Peoples' Rights**

<<http://www.achpr.org/>>

## **European Court of Human Rights**

<<http://www.echr.coe.int/ECHR/EN/Header/Case-Law/HUDOC/HUDOC+database/>>

**Inter-American Court of Human Rights Home Page** <<http://www.corteidh.or.cr/>>

**International Criminal Court** <[www.un.org/law/icc](http://www.un.org/law/icc)> and <<http://www.icc-cpi.int/home.html&l=en>>

## **International Criminal Tribunal for Rwanda**

<[www.icttr.org](http://www.icttr.org)>

## **International Criminal Tribunal for the former Yugoslavia**

<<http://www.un.org/icty/>>

**United Nations Treaty Body Database: Jurisprudence of the Treaty Monitoring Bodies (with links to Human Rights Committee, Committee against Torture, Committee on the Elimination of Racial Discrimination)** <<http://www.unhchr.ch/html/menu2/8/jurispr.htm>>

## **Bayefsky: Jurisprudence of the UN Human Rights Treaties**

<<http://www.bayefsky.com/docs.php/area/jurisprudence>>

## **INTERIGHTS Human Rights Case Law Database**

Human Rights Case Law Database service. Over 2,000 summaries of significant human rights decisions are available, from both domestic Commonwealth courts, and from tribunals applying international human rights law such as the African Commission on Human and Peoples' Rights, the European Court of Human Rights and many more

<<http://www.interights.org/searchdatabases.php?dir=databases>>

## **IWRAW Asia Pacific**

Landmark cases on women's human rights at the national, regional and international levels. The second set illustrates the ways other UN treaty bodies have dealt with procedural matters similar to those included in the OP-CEDAW

<[http://www.iwraw-ap.org/protocol/case\\_law.htm](http://www.iwraw-ap.org/protocol/case_law.htm)>

## **Worldlii**

A free, independent and non-profit global legal research facility developed collaboratively by the following Legal Information Institutes: Australasian Legal Information Institute (AustLII), British and Irish Legal Information Institute (BAILII), Canadian Legal Information Institute (CanLII), Hong Kong Legal Information Institute (HKLII), Legal

Information Institute (Cornell) (LII (Cornell)), Pacific Islands Legal Information Institute (PacLII), Wits University School of Law (Wits Law School)

<[www.worldlii.org](http://www.worldlii.org)>

For a guide on how to use the search engine see:

<[http://www.worldlii.org/worldlii/guides/brochure/WorldLII\\_brochure.pdf](http://www.worldlii.org/worldlii/guides/brochure/WorldLII_brochure.pdf)>

## **I. WOMEN'S HUMAN RIGHTS ONLINE RESOURCES AND WEBSITES OF SELECTED WOMEN'S ORGANISATIONS**

### **Amnesty International Database on Women's Human Rights**

<<http://www.amnesty.org/ailib/intcam/women/index.html>>

### **BAOBAB for Women's Human Rights**

A non-governmental women's human rights organization, which focuses on women's legal rights issues under the three (3) systems of law - customary, statutory and religious laws in Nigeria.

<<http://www.baobabwomen.org/>>

### **BRIDGE: Development and Gender** <<http://www.ids.ac.uk/bridge/>>

### **Canadian Council of Muslim Women**

A national non-profit organization established to assist Muslim women in participating effectively in Canadian Society and to promote mutual understanding between Canadian Muslim women and women of other faiths.

<<http://www.ccmw.com/>>

### **Catholics for a Free Choice (CFFC)**

An organisation that serves as a voice for Catholics and works issues of sexuality and reproductive health.

<<http://www.catholicsforchoice.org/>>

### **Center for Reproductive Rights: Bringing Rights to Bear** <[http://www.crlp.org/pri\\_humanrights.html](http://www.crlp.org/pri_humanrights.html)>

### **Center for Women's Global Leadership**

<<http://www.cwgl.rutgers.edu/>>

### **Division for the Advancement of Women - publications** <<http://www.un.org/womenwatch/daw/public/>>

### **Human Rights Watch: Alerts and updates on women's rights**

<<http://www.hrw.org/women/>>

**International Women's Tribune Center (IWTC)** An NGO that provides communication, information, education, and organizing support services to women's organizations and community groups working to improve the lives of women, particularly low-income women, in Africa, Asia and the Pacific, Latin America and the Caribbean, Eastern Europe and Western Asia.

<<http://www.iwtc.org/>>

### **Siyanda**

An on-line database of gender and development materials from around the world.

<<http://www.siyanda.org/>>

### **University of Toronto- Women's Human Rights Resources**

Contains articles, papers and documents on Women's Rights <<http://www.law-lib.utoronto.ca/Diana/>>

A guide to resources on Women's Human Rights in the Context of International Law Research:

<<http://www.law-lib.utoronto.ca/resguide/women2.htm>>

### **UNIFEM – on gender issues**

<[http://www.unifem.org/gender\\_issues/human\\_rights/](http://www.unifem.org/gender_issues/human_rights/)>

**Women, Inc.** <<http://www.womenink.org/>>

### **Women Living Under Muslim Laws (WLUML)**

An international network that provides information, solidarity and support for all women whose lives are shaped, conditioned or governed by laws and customs said to derive from Islam.

<[www.wluml.org/](http://www.wluml.org/)>

**Women's Human Rights Net** Provides information and analyses on women's human rights issues worldwide; an overview of UN/Regional Human Rights Systems; a research tool that serves as gateway to the best available online resources relevant to women's human rights advocacy; and a comprehensive collection of related Links.

<<http://www.whrnet.org/>>

**Women's Caucus for Gender Justice: International Criminal Court** A women's human rights organisation advocating for gender-inclusive justice and working towards an effective and independent International Criminal Court (ICC).

<http://www.iccwomen.org/>

**Women Action** A global information, communication and media network that enables NGOs to actively engage in the Beijing+5 review process with the long term goal of women's empowerment, with a special focus on women and media.

<<http://www.womenaction.org/>>

### **Women's United Nations Report Network (WUNRN)**

**A non-governmental organisation to implement the conclusions and recommendations of a United Nations Study on Freedom of Religion of Belief and the Status of Women From the Viewpoint of Religion and Traditions. This study is a major, universal, comprehensive U.N. approach to intolerance and discrimination against women based on religion and traditions.**

<<http://www.wunrn.com/>>

## **J. HUMAN RIGHTS ONLINE RESOURCES AND WEBSITES OF SELECTED HUMAN RIGHTS ORGANISATIONS**

### **Amnesty International**

<<http://www.amnesty.org/>>

### **Centre for Housing Rights and Evictions (COHRE)**

An international human rights organisation campaigning for the protection of housing rights and the prevention of forced evictions.

<<http://www.cohre.org/>>

**ESCR-Net's Optional Protocol to the ICESCR Resource Page** Contains information on current efforts to promote the drafting of an Optional Protocol to the International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights (OP-ICESCR).

<[http://www.escr-net.org/EngGeneral/op\\_rp\\_0.asp](http://www.escr-net.org/EngGeneral/op_rp_0.asp)>

### **FIAN**

FoodFirst Information and Action Network (FIAN), is an international human rights organisation that advocates for the realization of the right to food.

<<http://www.fian.org/> >

**Human Rights for Human Dignity: A primer on economic, social and cultural rights by Amnesty International**<<http://web.amnesty.org/library/index/engpol340092005>>

### **Human Rights Watch**

<<http://www.hrw.org/>>

### **Human Rights Network International**

A collection of documents related to human rights which includes instruments, case law of the European Court of Human Rights, Inter-American Court of Human Rights and UN

Human Rights Committee, articles, bibliographic references, internet sites, reports and a list of human rights actors such as NGOs, universities and international organisations.

<<http://www.hrni.org>> **HURISEARCH**

A web research tool on human rights information on the web. <<http://www.hurisearch.org>> **Human Rights Internet**

An on-line resource, information and documentation centre for human rights actors and organizations, as well as interested individuals, around the world. <<http://www.hri.ca/>>

## **INTERIGHTS**

An organisation that aims to enforce human rights through law, providing protection and redress; to strengthen human rights jurisprudence and mechanisms through the use of international and comparative law; and to empower legal partners and promote their effective use of law to protect human rights.

<<http://www.interights.org/>>

## **Juscogens.net**

Juscogens.net, a website dedicated to recent developments in the field of public international law. Sources include the opinions of international tribunals, international conventions, international organizations, international custom, and the judicial decisions and teachings of qualified publicists.

## **Mandat International: International human rights and humanitarian law search engine**

A search engine on a selection of main international conventions.

<<http://www.whatconvention.org/index.php?langue=Eng>>

## **Office of High Commissioner for Human Rights (OHCHR): Treaty Body Database**

<<http://www.unhchr.ch/tbs/doc.nsf/>>

**People's Decade for Human Rights Education** A site dedicated to human rights learning for social and economic transformation.

<<http://www.pdhre.org>>

**Right to Education** A human rights resource on the right to education.

<<http://www.right-to-education.org/>>

## **Bayefsky: United Nations Human Rights Treaty System**

<<http://www.bayefsky.com>>