



WHAT IS THE HUMAN RIGHTS MAINSTREAMING FUND?

The Human Rights Mainstreaming Multi-Donor Trust Fund (the HRM Fund) supports the UN Development System's (UNDS) efforts to respond to the call by Member States for UNDS entities to assist countries in their efforts to respect and fulfil their human rights obligations and commitments, including as a critical tool to operationalize the 2030 Agenda's pledge to leave no one behind (LNOB). Leveraging the opportunities presented by the UNDS repositioning, the Fund enables the empowered, independent UN Resident Coordinators (RCs) and new generation UN Country Teams (UNCTs) to advance the values of the UN Charter and ensure that human rights are at the heart of the implementation of the 2030 Agenda through coherent, system-wide policies and coordinated inter-agency action at all levels.

HIGHLIGHTS OF ACHIEVEMENTS SUPPORTED BY THE HRM FUND IN 2019 - 2021

- In-country technical advice and assistance on human rights in development provided to UNCTs and national partners through the work of Human Rights Advisers in 47 UNCTs as of mid-2021.
- Remote support to UNCTs via the Surge Initiative economists, including 26 country seeding projects on economic and social rights.
- Human rights reflected in the UNDS reform implementation, including operational guidance on LNOB piloted in Tunisia, Nepal & Cameroon, now integrated in UNCT's Common Country Analysis and Cooperation Framework guidance.
- Enhanced RC and UNCT strategic engagement with the Universal Periodic Review (UPR) and other human rights mechanisms, and in the establishment and strengthening of National Mechanisms for Reporting and Follow-up (NMRFs) and National Human Rights Institutions (NHRIs) to achieve the SDGs.
- Guidance on a Human Rights-based Approach (HRBA) to COVID-19 and integrated training materials on HRBA, LNOB and gender equality and women's empowerment aligned to the new country programming guidelines.

WHY CONTRIBUTE TO THE HRM FUND?

"When we take a human rights-based approach to development, the outcomes are more sustainable, powerful and effective."

– UN Secretary-General António Guterres,
Call to Action for Human Rights

The HRM Fund's overall goal is that **the UNDS contributes to a society where all people enjoy their human rights, including civil, political, economic, social and cultural rights, as well as the right to development and right to a healthy environment without discrimination and are empowered to be active partners in development in accordance with the 2030 Agenda and its promise to leave no one behind.** The HRM Fund's support to RCs and UNCTs is critical to achieving the 2030 Agenda and the Secretary-General's vision, in [the Common Agenda](#), of a new social contract anchored in human rights. In this respect, the HRM Fund makes a fundamental contribution to supporting the UNDS in implementing the [Secretary General's Call to Action for Human Rights](#) at the country level, and for the full integration of human rights in COVID-19 response and recovery efforts by UNCTs.

The multi-year results framework of the HRM Fund covers 2022-2025. The total funding required to achieve the intended results is USD 99.66 million, **with USD 94.88 million remaining to be mobilized to cover the resource needs from 2022-2025.** With this support, by 2026, human rights will be more at the core of UNDS work at all levels, and RCs and UNCTs will be able not only to support governments in better meeting their human rights obligations, but also to empower rights holders as active agents in development to uphold their inherent dignity and rights, and ensure no one is left behind.

Contributions to the multi-year appeal are Official Development Assistance (ODA)-eligible. Donors are therefore able to meet their voluntary targets when pledging funds to the HRM Fund. The channel code for reporting is 41401 (the Multi-Partner Trust Fund Office).