

## Tables for UN Compilation on Latvia

### I. Scope of international obligations<sup>1</sup>

#### A. International human rights treaties<sup>2</sup>

	<i>Status during previous cycle</i>	<i>Action after review</i>	<i>Not ratified/not accepted</i>
<i>Ratification, accession or succession</i>	ICERD (1992)	--	OP-CAT
	ICESCR (1992)		ICRMW
	ICCPR (1992)		ICPPED
	ICCPR-OP 2 (2013)		
	CEDAW (1992)		
	CAT (1992)		
	CRC (1992)		
	OP-CRC-AC (2005)		
	OP-CRC-SC (2006)		
	CRPD (2010)		
<i>Complaints procedures, inquiries and urgent action<sup>3</sup></i>	ICCPR-OP 1 (1994)	--	ICERD, art. 14
	CAT, art. 20 (1992)		OP-ICESCR
	OP-CRPD, art. 6 (2010)		ICCPR, art. 41
			OP-CEDAW
			CAT, arts. 21 and 22
			OP-CRC-IC
		ICRMW	
		ICPPED	
<i>Reservations and / or declarations</i>	<i>Status during previous cycle</i>	<i>Action after review</i>	<i>Current Status</i>
	OP-CRC-AC (Declaration, art. 3(2), mandatory and voluntary age of recruitment at 19 years and 18 years, respectively, 2005)	--	OP-CRC-AC (Declaration, art. 3(2), mandatory and voluntary age of recruitment at 19 years and 18 years, respectively)

#### B. Other main relevant international instruments

	<i>Status during previous cycle</i>	<i>Action after review</i>	<i>Not ratified</i>
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<i>Ratification, accession or succession</i>	<p>Convention on the Prevention and Punishment of the Crime of Genocide</p> <p>Geneva Conventions of 12 August 1949 and Additional Protocols thereto<sup>4</sup></p> <p>Rome Statute of the International Criminal Court</p> <p>Conventions on refugees and stateless persons<sup>5</sup></p> <p>Palermo Protocol<sup>6</sup></p> <p>ILO fundamental Conventions<sup>7</sup></p> <p>ILO Conventions Nos. 169 and 189<sup>8</sup></p> <p>Convention against Discrimination in Education</p>
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## II. Cooperation with human rights mechanisms and bodies

### A. Cooperation with treaty bodies<sup>9</sup>

#### Reporting status

<i>Treaty body</i>	<i>Concluding observations included in previous review</i>	<i>Latest report submitted since previous review</i>	<i>Latest concluding observations</i>	<i>Reporting status</i>
CERD	--	2017	August 2018	Thirteenth and fourteenth reports due in May 2021.
CESCR	--	2019	--	Second report pending consideration in February 2021.
HR Committee	March 2014	--	--	Fourth report overdue since 2020.
CEDAW	--	2019	February 2020	Eighth report due in 2024.
CAT	November 2013	2018	December 2019	Seventh report due in 2023.
CRC	--	2013 (on CRC, OP-CRC-AC and OP-CRC-SC)	January 2016 (on CRC, OP-CRC-AC and OP-CRC-SC)	Sixth and seventh reports due in May 2021.

CRPD	--	2014	August 2017	Second and third reports overdue since 2020.
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**Responses to specific follow-up requests from concluding observations**

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<i>Treaty body</i>	<i>Due in</i>	<i>Subject matter</i>	<i>Submitted</i>
CERD	2019	Non-citizens; and Roma consultant in the Office of the Ombudsman. <sup>10</sup>	2019. <sup>11</sup> Information requested. <sup>12</sup>
HR Committee	2015	Conditions in police, remand and prison facilities; protection against hate crimes; and national minorities and education. <sup>13</sup>	2015 <sup>14</sup> and 2017 <sup>15</sup> . Follow up discontinued. <sup>16</sup>
CEDAW	2022	Adopting a comprehensive gender equality strategy and a comprehensive law on gender-based violence against women; trafficking and exploitation of prostitution; and women and girls with disabilities. <sup>17</sup>	--
CAT	2014	Strengthening legal safeguards for persons deprived of their liberty; detention conditions; and use of restraints. <sup>18</sup>	2015. <sup>19</sup> Additional information requested in next report. <sup>20</sup>
	2020	Ratifying the OP-CAT; increasing State compensation to victims of torture or ill-treatment; strengthening the effectiveness of complaints mechanisms for reporting cases of violence; and providing adequate health care to persons in detention. <sup>21</sup>	2020 <sup>22</sup>
CRPD	2018	Living independently and being included in the community; and education. <sup>23</sup>	2019 <sup>24</sup>

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**B. Cooperation with special procedures<sup>25</sup>**

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	<i>Status during previous cycle</i>	<i>Current status</i>
<i>Standing invitations</i>	Yes	Yes

Visits undertaken

Foreign debt

Visits agreed to in principle

Freedom of expression

Visits requested

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*Responses to letters of allegation and urgent appeal*

During the period under review 6 communications were sent. The Government replied to 6 communications.

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### C. Status of national human rights institutions<sup>26</sup>

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*National human rights institution*

*Status during previous cycle*

*Status during present cycle<sup>27</sup>*

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Ombudsman of the Republic of Latvia A (2015)

A (2020)

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#### Notes

<sup>1</sup> Unless indicated otherwise, the status of ratification of instruments listed in the table may be found on the official website of the United Nations Treaty Collection database, Office of Legal Affairs of the United Nations Secretariat, <http://treaties.un.org/>. Please also refer to the United Nations compilation on Latvia from the previous cycle (A/HRC/WG.6/24/LVA/2).

<sup>2</sup> The following abbreviations have been used in the universal periodic review document:

ICERD	International Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Racial Discrimination;
ICESCR	International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights;
OP-ICESCR	Optional Protocol to ICESCR;
ICCPR	International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights;
ICCPR-OP 1	Optional Protocol to ICCPR;
ICCPR-OP 2	Second Optional Protocol to ICCPR, aiming at the abolition of the death penalty;
CEDAW	Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women;
OP-CEDAW	Optional Protocol to CEDAW;
CAT	Convention against Torture and Other Cruel, Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment;
OP-CAT	Optional Protocol to CAT;
CRC	Convention on the Rights of the Child;
OP-CRC-AC	Optional Protocol to CRC on the involvement of children in armed conflict;
OP-CRC-SC	Optional Protocol to CRC on the sale of children, child prostitution and child pornography;
OP-CRC-IC	Optional Protocol to CRC on a communications procedure;
ICRMW	International Convention on the Protection of the Rights of All Migrant Workers and Members of Their Families;
CRPD	Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities;

OP-CRPD  
ICPPED

Optional Protocol to CRPD;  
International Convention for the Protection of All Persons  
from Enforced Disappearance.

- <sup>3</sup> Individual complaints: ICCPR-OP 1, art. 1; OP-CEDAW, art. 1; OP-CRPD, art. 1; OP-ICESCR, art. 1; OP-CRC-IC, art. 5; ICERD, art. 14; CAT, art. 22; ICRMW, art. 77; and ICPPED, art. 31. Inquiry procedure: OP-CEDAW, art. 8; CAT, art. 20; ICPPED, art. 33; OP-CRPD, art. 6; OP-ICESCR, art. 11; and OP-CRC-IC, art. 13. Inter-State complaints: ICCPR, art. 41; ICERD, art. 11; ICRMW, art. 76; ICPPED, art. 32; CAT, art. 21; OP-ICESCR, art. 10; and OP-CRC-IC, art. 12. Urgent action: ICPPED, art. 30.
- <sup>4</sup> Geneva Convention for the Amelioration of the Condition of the Wounded and Sick in Armed Forces in the Field (First Convention); Geneva Convention for the Amelioration of the Condition of Wounded, Sick and Shipwrecked Members of Armed Forces at Sea (Second Convention); Geneva Convention relative to the Treatment of Prisoners of War (Third Convention); Geneva Convention relative to the Protection of Civilian Persons in Time of War (Fourth Convention); Protocol Additional to the Geneva Conventions of 12 August 1949, and relating to the Protection of Victims of International Armed Conflicts (Protocol I); Protocol Additional to the Geneva Conventions of 12 August 1949, and relating to the Protection of Victims of Non-International Armed Conflicts (Protocol II); Protocol Additional to the Geneva Conventions of 12 August 1949, and relating to the Adoption of an Additional Distinctive Emblem (Protocol III). For the official status of ratifications, see Federal Department of Foreign Affairs of Switzerland, at <https://www.dfae.admin.ch/eda/fr/dfaef/politique-exterieure/droit-international-public/traites-internationaux/depositaire/protection-des-victimes-de-la-guerre.html>
- <sup>5</sup> 1951 Convention relating to the Status of Refugees and its 1967 Protocol, 1954 Convention relating to the Status of Stateless Persons, and 1961 Convention on the Reduction of Statelessness.
- <sup>6</sup> Protocol to Prevent, Suppress and Punish Trafficking in Persons, Especially Women and Children, supplementing the United Nations Convention against Transnational Organized Crime.
- <sup>7</sup> International Labour Organization Convention No. 29 concerning Forced or Compulsory Labour; Convention No. 105 concerning the Abolition of Forced Labour; Convention No. 87 concerning Freedom of Association and Protection of the Right to Organise; Convention No. 98 concerning the Application of the Principles of the Right to Organise and to Bargain Collectively; Convention No. 100 concerning Equal Remuneration for Men and Women Workers for Work of Equal Value; Convention No. 111 concerning Discrimination in Respect of Employment and Occupation; Convention No. 138 concerning Minimum Age for Admission to Employment; Convention No. 182 concerning the Prohibition and Immediate Action for the Elimination of the Worst Forms of Child Labour.
- <sup>8</sup> ILO Indigenous and Tribal Peoples Convention, 1989 (No. 169) and Domestic Workers Convention, 2011 (No. 189).
- <sup>9</sup> The following abbreviations have been used in the present document:
- <sup>10</sup> CERD/C/LVA/CO/6-12, para. 32.
- <sup>11</sup> CERD/C/LVA/CO/6-12/Add.1.
- <sup>12</sup> Letter from CERD to the Permanent Mission of Latvia to the United Nations Office and other international organizations in Geneva, dated 24 September 2020, available from [INT\\_CERD\\_FUL\\_LVA\\_43389\\_E.pdf](https://www.ohchr.org/documents/e/hqdocs/cerdlva/INT_CERD_FUL_LVA_43389_E.pdf) (ohchr.org) (accessed on 10 February 2021).
- <sup>13</sup> CCPR/C/LVA/CO/3, para. 23.
- <sup>14</sup> CCPR/C/LVA/CO/3/Add.1. See also letter from HR Committee to the Permanent Mission of Latvia to the United Nations Office and other international organizations in Geneva, dated 16 August 2016, available from [https://tbinternet.ohchr.org/Treaties/CCPR/Shared%20Documents/LVA/INT\\_CCPR\\_FUL\\_LVA\\_24980\\_E.pdf](https://tbinternet.ohchr.org/Treaties/CCPR/Shared%20Documents/LVA/INT_CCPR_FUL_LVA_24980_E.pdf) and a reminder letter, dated 7 December 2016, available from [https://tbinternet.ohchr.org/Treaties/CCPR/Shared%20Documents/LVA/INT\\_CCPR\\_FUL\\_LVA\\_25998\\_E.pdf](https://tbinternet.ohchr.org/Treaties/CCPR/Shared%20Documents/LVA/INT_CCPR_FUL_LVA_25998_E.pdf) (accessed on 10 February 2021).
- <sup>15</sup> CCPR/C/LVA/CO/3/Add.2.
- <sup>16</sup> Letter from HR Committee to the Permanent Mission of Latvia to the United Nations Office and other international organizations in Geneva, dated 20 November 2017, available from [https://tbinternet.ohchr.org/Treaties/CCPR/Shared%20Documents/LVA/INT\\_CCPR\\_FUD\\_LVA\\_295](https://tbinternet.ohchr.org/Treaties/CCPR/Shared%20Documents/LVA/INT_CCPR_FUD_LVA_295)

- 20\_E.pdf (accessed on 10 February 2021).
- <sup>17</sup> CEDAW/C/LVA/CO/4-7, para. 49.
- <sup>18</sup> CAT/C/LVA/CO/3-5, para. 28.
- <sup>19</sup> CAT/C/LVA/CO/3-5.
- <sup>20</sup> Letter from CAT to the Permanent Mission of Latvia to the United Nations Office and other international organizations in Geneva, dated 29 August 2016, available from [https://tbinternet.ohchr.org/Treaties/CAT/Shared%20Documents/LVA/INT\\_CAT\\_FUL\\_LVA\\_25017\\_E.pdf](https://tbinternet.ohchr.org/Treaties/CAT/Shared%20Documents/LVA/INT_CAT_FUL_LVA_25017_E.pdf) (accessed on 10 February 2021).
- <sup>21</sup> CAT/C/LVA/CO/6, para. 36.
- <sup>22</sup> CAT/C/LVA/FCO/6.
- <sup>23</sup> CRPD/C/LVA/CO/1, para. 56.
- <sup>24</sup> CRPD/C/LVA/CO/1/Add.1.
- <sup>25</sup> For the titles of special procedure mandate holders see:  
<https://spcommreports.ohchr.org/about/abbreviations>
- <sup>26</sup> According to article 5 of the rules of procedure of the Global Alliance of National Human Rights Institutions (GANHRI), the classifications for accreditation used by the Sub-Committee are: A: voting member (fully in compliance with each of the Paris Principles); B: non-voting member (not fully in compliance with each of the Paris Principles or insufficient information provided to make a determination); and C: no status (not in compliance with the Paris Principles).
- <sup>27</sup> The list of national human rights institutions with accreditation status granted by the Global Alliance of National Human Rights Institutions (GANHRI), accessed at:  
<https://nhri.ohchr.org/EN/Documents/Status%20Accreditation%20-%20Chart%20%2813022020%29.pdf>.
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