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## COMMITTEE ON ECONOMIC, SOCIAL AND CULTURAL RIGHTS

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Expert body of 18 independent members that monitors the implementation of the **International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights**

### CESCR in 2022:

- Held two sessions and reviewed 12 reports from States parties to the Covenant.
- Adopted views on the merits of 3 communications and declared 3 inadmissible and discontinued the examination of 9 communications.
- Authoritative guidance: adopted the General Comment No. 26 on Land and Economic, Social and Cultural Rights (E/C.12/GC/26)
- Held an annual meeting with NGOs.

NEW

The Committee is currently in the process of developing a General Comment on economic, social and cultural rights and **sustainable development**



It will address challenges of achieving sustainable development in light of planetary boundaries and limited natural resources, while also respecting, protecting and fulfilling **human rights**, particularly the rights in the International Covenant.

Day of General Discussion: 24 February 2023

### Resources:

- Fact Sheet for the Committee on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights (Rev.1)

[www.ohchr.org/en/publications/fact-sheets/fact-sheet-no-16-rev-1-committee-economic-social-and-cultural-rights](http://www.ohchr.org/en/publications/fact-sheets/fact-sheet-no-16-rev-1-committee-economic-social-and-cultural-rights)

- Easy-to-read version of the Human Rights Covenants

[www.ohchr.org/sites/default/files/Documents/ProfessionalInterest/Easy-to-read-ICCPR-ICESCR.pdf](http://www.ohchr.org/sites/default/files/Documents/ProfessionalInterest/Easy-to-read-ICCPR-ICESCR.pdf)

- Universal Human Rights Index (UHRI)

<https://uhri.ohchr.org/en/>

# 2023

75th Anniversary of the **Universal Declaration on Human Rights**

Renewed attention to the importance of economic, social and cultural rights in preventing conflicts and crises

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