

# **New Vision of the**

# Introduction

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Our global community is threatened by persistent and flagrant human rights violations, increasingly complex conflicts and the triple planetary crisis of climate change, pollution and a dramatic loss of biodiversity. The COVID-19 pandemic has forced us to recognise just



and protection of human rights and fundamental freedoms, in accordance with the Charter of the United Nations, and international human rights law. To better respond to developing and diversifying needs, such as those related to the triple planetary crisis and new technologies, the Organization's efforts must be more forward-looking, while building upon the support and capacity-building programmes it has traditionally provided.

To achieve this, the Organization will reinforce the centrality of the rule of law.

# The New Vision

A holistic approach to transitional justice, including criminal accountability, truth-seeking, reparations and guarantees of non-recurrence, will help build the i

the rights of those in conflict with the law.  
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migrants, indigenous peoples, persons with disabilities, children, young people, LG

mind, domestic mechanisms, and international mechanisms and tribunals where needed, that seek justice and truth in the face of atrocities warrant our full support.

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Recognizing that the rule of law applies to all Member States equally and to international organizations, the Organization will remain a tireless promoter of the values in its Charter, as well as the principles enshrined in the 2012 Declaration of the high-level meeting of the General Assembly on the rule of law at the national and international levels.<sup>1</sup>

Upon request, we will support Member States' efforts to promote accountability consistent with international standards. Further to this commitment to accountability, we will also strengthen and better coordinate our support for international accountability mechanisms, including tribunals, commissions of inquiry, fact-finding missions and international investigative mechanisms, in line with their mandates.

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As the world changes at an unprecedented rate, the approach to supporting Member States to strengthen the rule of law at the national, regional and international levels must keep pace.

The rule of law must exist in the digital sphere as it does in the physical world. To ensure this, international human rights and protection standards must apply to new technologies and include safeguards for the responsible use of digital technologies and artificial intelligence. The use of technology by Member States must

also be consistent with international human rights standards, and Member States' efforts to address eventual normative gaps in international law will be supported.

Technology also has the potential to transform justice systems by increasing accessibility and accountability, and its use must comply with fair trial, privacy and other human rights standards. To leverage the positive effects of technology, it is imperative to address the digital divide, especially for those in vulnerable situations.

## AC ION

To secure a better world for future generations, the Organization will work with Member States and all relevant stakeholders to ensure that rule of law assistance and capacity-building are responsive to the ever-changing global landscape and people's needs.

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One of the primary roles of the United Nations is to provide a source of reliable data and evidence, providing the public with verified information to help inform their decisions.

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