# Tables for UN Compilation on Switzerland

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

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

	Ratified		Not ratified/not accepted			
Ratification, accession or succession	ICERD (1994)		ICRMW			
	ICESCR (1992)					
	ICCPR (1992)					
	ICCPR-OP 2 (1994)					
	CEDAW (1997)					
	CAT (1986)					
	OP-CAT (2009)					
	CRC (1997)					
	OP-CRC-AC (2002)					
	OP-CRC-SC (2006)					
	CRPD (2014)					
	ICPPED (2016)					
Complaints procedures, inquiries	ICERD, art. 14 (2003) ICCPR, art. 41 (2022 for a period of five years) OP-CEDAW, art. 8 (2008) CAT, arts. 20, 21 and 22 (1986) OP-CRC-IC, arts. 12 and 13 (2017)		OP-ICESCR ICCPR-OP 1 ICRMW OP-CRPD			
and urgent action <sup>3</sup>						
					ICPPED, arts. 31 and 32 (2016)	
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Reservations and / or declarations	Curre	nt Status				
	ICER	D (Reservati	ions, arts. 4 and 2(1)(a))			
	ICCF	R (Reservati	ons, arts. 12(1), 20(1), 25(b) and 26)			
	CED	CEDAW (Reservations, arts. 15(2) and 16(1)(h))				
	CRC		claration/Reservations, arts. 10(1), 37(c)			
			claration, art. 3(2), minimum age ment at 18 years)			

During the period under review, Switzerland renewed its declaration to art. 41 of ICCPR (2017 and 2022).

#### **B.** Other main relevant international instruments

	Ratified	Not ratified
Ratification, accession or succession	Convention on the Prevention and Punishment of the Crime of Genocide	Convention of 1961 on the Reduction of Statelessness
		ILO Convention Nos. 169 and 190 <sup>4</sup>
		ILO fundamental Conventions Nos. 155 and 187 <sup>5</sup>
		UNESCO Convention against Discrimination in Education
	Geneva Conventions of 12 August 1949 and Additional Protocols thereto <sup>6</sup>	
	Rome Statute of the International Criminal Court	
	Conventions on refugees and stateless persons except the 1961 Convention on the Reduction of Statelessness <sup>7</sup>	
	Palermo Protocol <sup>8</sup>	
	ILO fundamental Conventions, except Nos. 155 and 1879	
	ILO Convention No. 18910	

During the period under review, Switzerland became a party to: Protocol of 2014 to the Forced Labour Convention, 1930.

### II. Cooperation with human rights mechanisms and bodies

### A. Cooperation with treaty bodies<sup>11</sup>

#### Reporting status

Treaty body	Concluding observations included in previous review	Latest report submitted since previous review	Latest concluding observations	Reporting status
CERD	February 2014	2018	November 2021	Thirteenth to sixteenth reports due in 2025.
CESCR		2018	October 2019	Fifth report due in 2024.

HR Committee		2016	July 2017	Fifth report due in 2023.
CEDAW	November 2016	2020	October 2022	Due date of the seventh report pending to be established.
CAT	August 2015	2019		Eighth report pending consideration.
CRC	January 2015 (on CRC and OP-CRC-SC)	2020	September 2021	Seventh report due in 2026.
CRPD		2016	March 2022	Second to fourth reports due in 2028.
CED		2018	May 2021	Next report due in 2026.

### Country visits and/or inquiries by treaty bodies

Treaty body	Date	Subject matter
SPT	January–February 2019	Assist in the strengthening of the protection of persons deprived of their liberty from the risk of torture and ill-treatment; and provide advice and technical assistance to the national preventive mechanism, and consider the extent to which the national and cantonal authorities are supporting its work and responding to its recommendations. <sup>12</sup>

## $\textbf{B.} \quad \textbf{Cooperation with special procedures} \\ ^{13}$

	Status during the Period Under Review	
Standing invitations	Yes	
Visits undertaken during the period under review	IE on foreign debt (2017)	
	WG on mercenaries (2019)	
	SR on development (2019)	
	WG on people of African Descent (2022)	
Visits agreed to in principle during the period under review	-	
Visits requested during the period under review		

**ICERD** 

During the period under review 20 communications were sent. The Government replied to 18 communications.

#### C. Status of national human rights institution<sup>14</sup>

National human rights institution	Status during previous cycle	Status during present cycle <sup>15</sup>
Commission fédérale pour les questions féminines	С	С
Federal Commission Against Racism	С	С

#### Notes

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

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

International Convention on the Elimination of All Forms

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 Switzerland from the previous cycle (A/HRC/WG.6/CHE/2).

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> International Labour Organization Convention No. 169 concerning Indigenous and Tribal Peoples, and Convention No. 190 concerning Violence and Harassment.
- International Labour Organization Convention No. 155 concerning Occupational Safety and Health; and Convention No. 187 concerning Promotional Framework for Occupational Safety and Health.
- 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/dfae/politique-exterieure/droit-international-public/traites-internationaux/depositaire/protection-des-victimes-de-la-guerre.html
- <sup>7</sup> 1951 Convention relating to the Status of Refugees and its 1967 Protocol and 1954 Convention relating to the Status of Stateless Persons.
- Protocol to Prevent, Suppress and Punish Trafficking in Persons, Especially Women and Children, supplementing the United Nations Convention against Transnational Organized Crime.
- International Labour Organization Convention No. 29 concerning Forced or Compulsory Labour; Protocol of 2014 to 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>10</sup> International Labour Organization No. 189 concerning Domestic.
- 11 The following abbreviations have been used in the present document:

CERD Committee on the Elimination of Racial Discrimination; CESCR Committee on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights;

HR Committee Human Rights Committee;

CEDAW Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination

against Women;

CAT Committee against Torture;

CRC Committee on the Rights of the Child;

CRPD Committee on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities;

CED Committee on Enforced Disappearances; SPT Subcommittee on Prevention of Torture.

- 12 CAT/OP/CHE/ROSP/1, para. 4 and CAT/OP/CHE/RONPM/1, para. 3. See also CAT/OP/CHE/CSPRO/1 and CAT/OP/CHE/CNPMRO/1.
- For the titles of special procedure mandate holders see: https://spcommreports.ohchr.org/about/abbreviations.
- 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).
- The list of national human rights institutions with accreditation status granted by the Global Alliance of National Human Rights Institutions (GANHRI), accessed at: https://ganhri.org/wp-content/uploads/2022/11/StatusAccreditationChartNHRIs\_29-Nov-2022.pdf