

Tables for UN Compilation on Estonia

I. Scope of international obligations¹

A. International human rights treaties²

	<i>Status during previous cycle</i>	<i>Action after review</i>	<i>Not ratified/not accepted</i>
<i>Ratification, accession or succession</i>	ICERD (1991)	--	ICRMW
	ICESCR (1991)		ICPPED
	ICCPR (1991)		
	ICCPR-OP 2 (2004)		
	CEDAW (1991)		
	CAT (1991)		
	OP-CAT (2006)		
	CRC (1991)		
	OP-CRC-AC (2014)		
	OP-CRC-SC (2004)		
	CRPD (2012)		
<i>Complaints procedures, inquiries and urgent action³</i>	ICERD, art. 14 (2010)	--	OP-ICESCR
	ICCPR-OP 1 (1991)		ICCPR, art. 41
	CAT, art. 20 (1991)		OP-CEDAW
	OP-CRPD, art. 6 (2012)		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), minimum age of recruitment at 18 years, 2014)	--	OP-CRC-AC (Declaration, art. 3(2), minimum age of recruitment at 18 years)
	CRPD (Interpretative declaration, art. 12, 2012)	--	CRPD (Interpretative declaration, art. 12)

B. Other main relevant international instruments

	<i>Status during previous cycle</i>	<i>Action after review</i>	<i>Not ratified</i>
<i>Ratification, accession or succession</i>	Convention on the Prevention and Punishment of the Crime of Genocide		1954 Convention relating to the Status of Stateless Persons, ⁴
	Geneva Conventions of 12 August 1949 and Additional Protocols thereto ⁵		1961 Convention on the Reduction of Statelessness and the European Convention on Nationality
	Rome Statute of the International Criminal Court		Convention against Discrimination in Education
	Palermo Protocol ⁷		ILO Conventions Nos. 169 and 189 ⁶
	ILO fundamental Conventions ⁸		

II. Cooperation with human rights mechanisms and bodies

A. Cooperation with treaty bodies⁹

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	August 2014	2019	--	Twelfth and thirteenth reports consideration postponed.
CESCR	December 2011	2017	March 2019	Fourth report due in 2024.
HR Committee	--	2018	March 2019	Fifth report due in 2025.
CEDAW	--	2015	November 2016	Seventh report overdue since 2020.
CAT	May 2013	--	--	Sixth report overdue since 2017.
CRC	--	2014 (on CRC)/2016 (on OP-CRC-AC)	February 2017 (on CRC and OP-CRC-AC)	Fifth to seventh reports due in 2022.

CRPD	--	2015	--	Initial report pending consideration in March 2021.
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Responses to specific follow-up requests from concluding observations

<i>Treaty body</i>	<i>Due in</i>	<i>Subject matter</i>	<i>Submitted</i>
CERD	2015	Prohibition of racist organizations and combating racist hate speech; racial motivation as an aggravating circumstance in criminal law; and education of Roma children. ¹⁰	2015. ¹¹ Dialogue on-going. ¹²
CESCR	2021	Amendments to the Equal Treatment Act; removal of barriers to acquisition of Estonian citizenship by stateless persons; and development of a gender-sensitive drug policy. ¹³	--
HR Committee	2021	Hate speech and hate crimes; non-consensual psychiatric treatment; and refugees and asylum seekers. ¹⁴	--
CEDAW	2018	Violence against women; and employment. ¹⁵	2018. ¹⁶ Information requested in the next report. ¹⁷
CAT	2014	Conducting prompt, impartial and effective investigations; ensuring or strengthening legal safeguards for persons detained; and prosecuting suspects and sanctioning perpetrators of torture or ill-treatment. ¹⁸	2014. ¹⁹ Additional information requested. ²⁰

Views

<i>Treaty body</i>	<i>Number of views</i>	<i>Status</i>
HR Committee	1 ²¹	Information requested ²²

B. Cooperation with special procedures²³

	<i>Status during previous cycle</i>	<i>Current status</i>
<i>Standing invitations</i>	Yes	Yes
<i>Visits undertaken</i>	None	None
Visits agreed to in principle	None	None
Visits requested	None	None
<i>Responses to letters of allegation and urgent appeal</i>	During the period under review 2 communications were sent. The Government replied to 1 communications	

C. Status of national human rights institutions²⁴

<i>National human rights institution</i>	<i>Status during previous cycle</i>	<i>Status during present cycle²⁵</i>
The Chancellor of Justice of Estonia		Accredited “A” by the Sub-Committee on Accreditation of the Global Alliance of National Human Rights Institutions (December 2020).

Notes

¹ 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 Estonia from the previous cycle (A/HRC/WG.6/24/EST/2).

² 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	Optional Protocol to CRPD;
ICPPED	International Convention for the Protection of All Persons from Enforced Disappearance.

³ 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.

⁴ 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.

⁵ 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>.

⁶ ILO Indigenous and Tribal Peoples Convention, 1989 (No. 169) and Domestic Workers Convention, 2011 (No. 189).

⁷ Protocol to Prevent, Suppress and Punish Trafficking in Persons, Especially Women and Children, supplementing the United Nations Convention against Transnational Organized Crime.

⁸ 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.

⁹ 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;

¹⁰ CERD/C/EST/CO/10-11, para. 23.

¹¹ CERD/C/EST/CO/10-11/Add.1.

- ¹² Letter from CERD to the Permanent Mission of Estonia to the United Nations Office and other international organizations in Geneva, dated 26 January 2016, available from https://tbinternet.ohchr.org/Treaties/CERD/Shared%20Documents/EST/INT_CERD_FUL_EST_22867_E.pdf (accessed on 5 March 2021).
- ¹³ E/C.12/EST/CO/3, para. 59.
- ¹⁴ CCPR/C/EST/CO/4, para. 40.
- ¹⁵ CEDAW/C/EST/CO/5-6, para. 45.
- ¹⁶ CEDAW/C/EST/CO/5-6/Add.1.
- ¹⁷ Letter from CEDAW to the Permanent Mission of Estonia to the United Nations Office and other international organizations in Geneva, dated 15 April 2019, available from https://tbinternet.ohchr.org/_layouts/15/treatybodyexternal/Download.aspx?symbolno=INT%2fCEDAW%2fFUL%2fEST%2f34675&Lang=en (accessed on 5 March 2021).
- ¹⁸ CAT/C/EST/CO/5, para. 27.
- ¹⁹ CAT/C/EST/CO/5/Add.1.
- ²⁰ Letter from CAT to the Permanent Mission of Estonia 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/EST/INT_CAT_FUL_EST_25011_E.pdf (accessed on 5 March 2021).
- ²¹ CCPR/C/115/D/2040/2011.
- ²² CCPR/C/115/D/2040/2011, para. 12.
- ²³ For the titles of special procedure mandate holders see: <https://spcommreports.ohchr.org/about/abbreviations>
- ²⁴ 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).
- ²⁵ 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%20Chart%20as%20of%2020%2001%202021.pdf>.
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