Some Useful Human Rights Websites

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1. United Nations Human Rights Instruments, Bodies and Mechanisms

United Nations
http://www.un.org/

United Nations Office of the High Commissioner on Human Rights (OHCHR)
Gateway into the human rights branches of the UN
http://www.ohchr.org/

OHCHR UN Treaty Body Database
Search engine by the OHCHR for official UN treaty body documents.
http://tb.ohchr.org/default.aspx

OHCHR Universal Human Rights Index
Research tool by the OHCHR which provides access to country-specific human rights information from all international human rights mechanisms in the United Nations system.
http://www.universalhumanrightsindex.org/
Guide on how to use the index:
http://www.universalhumanrightsindex.org/en/about.html

UN Treaty Collection - Database
Contains all multilateral treaties deposited with the Secretary-General of the UN and those formerly deposited with the League of Nations – their latest status and a link to the full texts. http://treaties.un.org/Home.aspx

Human Rights Council
http://www2.ohchr.org/english/bodies/hrcouncil/

Universal Periodic Review (under the Human Rights Council)
http://www.ohchr.org/EN/HRBodies/UPR/Pages/UPRmain.aspx

Human Rights Council Extranet Page
The extranet page contains updated documents, statements, and schedules of the Human Rights Council. To access the extranet site – username: hrc extranet, password: 1session.
http://portal.ohchr.org/portal/page/portal/HRCExtranet

UN Special Procedures
http://www2.ohchr.org/english/bodies/chr/special/index.htm

2. Human Rights and Business

United Nations Global Compact
www.unglobalcompact.org

Special Representative of the SG on human rights and transnational corporations and other business enterprises
http://www.ohchr.org/EN/Issues/TransnationalCorporations/Pages/SRSGTransCorpIndex.aspx

UNPRI – United Nations Principles of Responsible Investment
www.unpri.org

OECD WATCH
www.oecdwatch.org

Business and Human Rights Resource Center
(includes BASESwiki – Business and Society Exploring Solutions)
http://www.business-humanrights.org/Home

The Danish Institute for Human Rights: *Human Rights and Business Website*
http://humanrightsbusiness.org/

Equator Principles
www.equator-principles.com

SOMO – Centre for Research on Multinational Enterprises
www.somo.nl

World Bank Compliance Ombudsman
www.cao-ombudsman.org

3 . Economic, Social and Cultural Rights

Center for Economic and Social Rights
http://www.cesr.org/

International Network for Economic, Social and Cultural Rights
www.escr-net.org/EngGeneral/home.asp

Centre on Housing Rights and Evictions
Resources on the right to housing
http://www.cohre.org/

Habitat International Coalition - Housing and Land Rights Network
Resources on the right to housing
http://www.hic-mena.org/home.htm

Food First International Action Network
www.fian.org

4. Migrant Workers' Rights

International Convention on the Protection of the Rights of All Migrant Workers and Members of Their Families
http://www2.ohchr.org/english/law/cmw.htm

Committee on Migrant Workers:
http://www2.ohchr.org/english/bodies/cmw/index.htm

The International Labour Organisation
http://www.ilo.org/global/lang--en/index.htm

December 18
http://www.december18.net/

Minority Rights Group
www.minorityrights.org/

Forced Migration Online
http://www.forcedmigration.org/

Migrant Rights International
http://www.migrantwatch.org/

Anti-Slavery International
http://www.antislavery.org/english/

5. Women's Human Rights

UN Women
http://www.unwomen.org/

Women's Human Rights Resources Programme
http://www.law-lib.utoronto.ca/Diana/

International Women's Rights Action Watch - Asia Pacific
Resource materials on CEDAW and women's rights
http://www.iwraw-ap.org/

6. NGOs, Media and Advocacy

Websites of selected Human Rights Organisations and Online Resources

Amnesty International
http://www.amnesty.org/

Article 19
http://www.article19.org/
Global Campaign for Free Expression

Ethical Globalisation Initiative
http://www.realizingrights.org/

Human Rights First
http://www.humanrightsfirst.org/index.asp

Human Rights Initiative
www.humanrightsinitiative.org

Human Rights Watch
http://www.hrw.org/

International Commission of Jurists
www.icj.org

International Service for Human Rights
http://www.ishr.ch/

Disabled People's International
http://www.dpi.org/en/resources/topics.htm

International Gay and Lesbian Human Rights Commission
http://www.iglhrc.org/site/iglhrc/

Refworld – on Refugees
http://www.unhcr.org/cgi-bin/texis/vtx/refworld/rwmain