

RATIFICATION BY ASIAN COUNTRIES
UN & ILO CONVENTIONS RELEVANT TO MIGRANTS

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UN Core Conventions = 9 + UDHR

As of 9 July 2013			core	core	core	core	core	core	core	core	core	core	core	core	core	core	core	core	core	
Country (Asia)	Sub-region	Y	ICERD (1966)	ICESCR (1966)	ICESCR OP (2008)	ICCPR (1966)	ICCPR OP (1966)	ICCPR 2nd OP (1989)	CEDAW (1979)	CEDAW OP (1999)	CAT (1984)	CAT OP (2002)	CRC (1989)	CRC OPSC (2000)	CRC OPAC (2000)	CRC OP3 (2011; not in force)	MWC (1990)	CRPD (2006)	CRPD OP (2006)	CPPED (2006)
Mongolia	EA		r: 6 Aug 1969	r: 18 Nov 1974	r: 1 Jul 2010	r: 18 Nov 1974	a: 16 Apr 1991	a: 13 Mar 2012	r: 20 Jul 1981	r: 28 Mar 2002	a: 24 Jan 2002		r: 5 Jul 1990	r: 27 Jun 2003	r: 6 Oct 2004			a: 13 May 2009	a: 13 May 2009	s: 6 Feb 2007
China - Hong Kong SAR	EA	y	*applies w/ reservations	*applies w/ reservations		*applies			*applies w/ reservations		*applies w/ reservations		*applies w/ reservations		*applies			*applies		
Japan	EA		*applies w/ reservations	r: 21 Jun 1979		r: 21 Jun 1979			r: 25 Jun 1985		a: 29 Jun 1999		r: 22 Apr 1994	r: 24 Jan 2005	r: 2 Aug 2004			s: 28 Sep 2007		r: 23 Jul 2009
China - Macao SAR	EA		*applies w/ reservations	*applies w/ reservations		*applies			*applies w/ reservations		*applies w/ reservations		*applies w/ reservations	*applies	*applies			*applies		
Rep. of Korea (South)	EA		r: 5 Dec 1978	a: 10 Apr 1990		a: 10 Apr 1990	a: 10 Apr 1990		r: 27 Dec 1984	a: 18 Oct 2006	a: 9 Jan 1995		r: 20 Nov 1991	r: 24 Sep 2004	r: 24 Sep 2004			r: 11 Dec 2008		
China	EA	y	a: 29 Dec 1981	r: 27 Mar 2001		s: 5 Oct 1998			r: 4 Nov 1980		r: 4 Oct 1988		r: 2 Mar 1992	r: 3 Dec 2002	r: 20 Feb 2008			r: 1 Aug 2008		
DPR of Korea (North)	EA			a: 14 Sep 1981		a: 14 Sep 1981			a: 27 Feb 2001				r: 21 Sep 1990					s: 3 Jul 2013		
Australia	PAC		r: 30 Sep 1975	r: 10 Dec 1975		r: 13 Aug 1980	a: 25 Sep 1991	a: 2 Oct 1990	r: 28 Jul 1983	a: 4 Dec 2008	r: 8 Aug 1989	s: 19 May 2009	r: 17 Dec 1990	r: 8 Jan 2007	r: 26 Sep 2006			r: 17 Jul 2008	a: 21 Aug 2009	
New Zealand	PAC		r: 22 Nov 1972	r: 28 Dec 1978		r: 28 Dec 1978	a: 26 May 1989	r: 22 Feb 1990	r: 10 Jan 1985	r: 7 Sep 2000	r: 10 Dec 1989	r: 14 Mar 2007	r: 6 Apr 1993	r: 20 Sep 2011	r: 12 Nov 2001			r: 25 Sep 2008		
Sri Lanka	SA		a: 18 Feb 1982	a: 11 Jun 1980		a: 11 Jun 1980	a: 3 Oct 1997		r: 5 Oct 1981	a: 15 Oct 2002	a: 3 Jan 1994		r: 12 Jul 1991	r: 22 Sep 2006	r: 8 Sep 2000		a: 11 Mar 1996	s: 30 Mar 2007		
Bangladesh	SA		a: 11 Jun 1979	a: 5 Oct 1998		a: 6 Sep 2000			a: 6 Nov 1984	r: 6 Sep 2000	a: 5 Oct 1998		r: 3 Aug 1990	r: 6 Sep 2000	r: 6 Sep 2000		r: 24 Aug 2011	r: 30 Nov 2007	a: 12 May 2008	
Maldives	SA		a: 24 Apr 1984	a: 19 Sep 2006	s: 21 Sep 2011	a: 19 Sep 2006	a: 19 Sep 2006		a: 1 Jul 1993	a: 13 Mar 2006	a: 20 Apr 2004	r: 15 Feb 2006	r: 11 Feb 1991	r: 10 May 2002	r: 29 Dec 2004	s: 28 Feb 2012		r: 5 Apr 2010		s: 6 Feb 2007
Nepal	SA		a: 30 Jan 1971	a: 14 May 1991		a: 14 May 1991	a: 14 May 1991	a: 4 Mar 1998	r: 22 Apr 1991	r: 15 Jun 2007	a: 14 May 1991		r: 14 Sep 1990	r: 20 Jan 2006	r: 3 Jan 2007			r: 7 May 2010	r: 7 May 2010	
Pakistan	SA		r: 21 Sep 1966	r: 17 Apr 2008		r: 23 Jun 2010			a: 12 Mar 1996		r: 23 Jun 2010		r: 12 Nov 1990	r: 5 Jul 2011	s: 26 Sep 2001			r: 5 Jul 2011		
Afghanistan	SA		a: 6 Jul 1983	a: 24 Jan 1983		a: 24 Jan 1983			r: 5 Mar 2003		r: 1 Apr 1987		r: 28 Mar 1994	a: 19 Sep 2002	a: 24 Sep 2003			a: 18 Sep 2012	a: 18 Sep 2012	
India	SA		r: 3 Dec 1968	a: 10 Apr 1979		a: 10 Apr 1979			r: 9 Jul 1993		s: 14 Oct 1997		a: 11 Dec 1992	r: 16 Aug 2005	r: 30 Nov 2005			r: 1 Oct 2007		s: 6 Feb 2007
Philippines	SEA	y	r: 15 Sep 1967	r: 7 Jun 1974		r: 23 Oct 1986	r: 22 Aug 1989	r: 20 Nov 2007	r: 5 Aug 1981	r: 12 Nov 2003	a: 18 Jun 1986	a: 17 Apr 2012	r: 21 Aug 1990	r: 28 May 2002	r: 26 Aug 2003		r: 5 Jul 1995	r: 15 Apr 2008		

Timor Leste	SEA	a: 16 Apr 2003	a: 16 Apr 2003	s: 28 Sep 2009	a: 18 Sep 2003		a: 18 Sep 2003	a: 16 Apr 2003	a: 16 Apr 2003	a: 16 Apr 2003	s: 16 Sep 2005	a: 16 Apr 2003	a: 16 Apr 2003	a: 2 Aug 2004		a: 30 Jan 2004			
Cambodia	SEA	r: 28 Nov 1983	a: 26 May 1992		a: 26 May 1992	s: 27 Sep 2004		a: 15 Oct 1992	r: 13 Oct 2010	a: 15 Oct 1992	r: 30 Mar 2007	a: 15 Oct 1992	r: 30 May 2002	r: 16 Jul 2004		s: 27 Sep 2004	r: 20 Dec 2012	s: 1 Oct 2007	a: 27 Jun 2013
Indonesia	SEA	a: 25 Jun 1999	a: 23 Feb 2006		a: 23 Feb 2006			r: 13 Sep 1984	s: 28 Feb 2000	r: 28 Oct 1998		r: 5 Sep 1990	r: 24 Sep 2012	r: 24 Sep 2012		r: 31 May 2012	r: 30 Nov 2011		s: 27 Sep 2010
Viet Nam	SEA	a: 9 Jun 1982	a: 24 Apr 1982		a: 24 Sep 1982			r: 17 Feb 1982				r: 28 Feb 1990	r: 20 Dec 2001	r: 20 Dec 2001				s: 22 Oct 2007	
Thailand	SEA	a: 28 Jan 2003	a: 5 Sep 1999		a: 29 Oct 1996			a: 9 Aug 1985	r: 14 Jun 2000	a: 2 Oct 2007		a: 27 Mar 1992	a: 11 Jan 2006	a: 27 Feb 2006	r: 25 Sep 2012		r: 29 Jul 2008		s: 9 Jan 2012
Lao People's DR	SEA	a: 22 Feb 1974	r: 13 Feb 2007		r: 25 Sep 2009			r: 14 Aug 1981		r: 26 Sep 2012		a: 8 May 1991	a: 20 Sep 2006	a: 20 Sep 2006			r: 25 Sep 2009		s: 29 Sep 2008
Singapore	SEA							a: 5 Oct 1995				a: 5 Oct 1995		r: 11 Dec 2008			s: 30 Nov 2012		
Malaysia	SEA							a: 5 Jul 1995				a: 17 Feb 1995	a: 12 Apr 2012	a: 12 Apr 2012			r: 19 Jul 2010		
Myanmar	SEA							a: 22 Jul 1997				a: 15 Jul 1991	a: 16 Jan 2012				a: 7 Dec 2011		
Brunei Darussalam	SEA							a: 24 May 2006				a: 27 Dec 1995	a: 21 Nov 2006				s: 18 Dec 2007		
Israel	WA	r: 3 Jan 1979	r: 3 Oct 1991		r: 3 Oct 1991			r: 3 Oct 1991		r: 3 Oct 1991		r: 3 Oct 1991	r: 23 Jul 2008	r: 18 Jul 2005			r: 28 Sep 2012		
Syria	WA	a: 21 Apr 1969	a: 21 Apr 1969		a: 21 Apr 1969			a: 28 Mar 2003		a: 19 Aug 2004		r: 15 Jul 1993	a: 15 May 2003	a: 17 Oct 2003		a: 2 Jun 2005	r: 10 Jul 2009	a: 10 Jul 2009	
Kuwait	WA	a: 15 Oct 1968	a: 21 May 1996		a: 21 May 1996			a: 2 Sep 1994		a: 8 Mar 1996		r: 21 Oct 1991	a: 26 Aug 2004	a: 26 Aug 2004					
Lebanon	WA	a: 12 Nov 1971	a: 3 Nov 1972		a: 3 Nov 1972			a: 16 Apr 1997		a: 5 Oct 2000	a: 22 Dec 2008	r: 14 May 1991	r: 8 Nov 2004	s: 11 Feb 2002			s: 14 Jun 2007	s: 14 Jun 2007	s: 6 Feb 2007
Iraq	WA	r: 14 Jan 1970	r: 25 Jan 1971		r: 25 Jan 1971			a: 13 Aug 1986		a: 7 Jul 2011		a: 15 Jun 1994	a: 24 Jun 2008	a: 24 Jun 2008			a: 20 Mar 2013		a: 23 Nov 2010
Jordan	WA	a: 30 May 1974	r: 28 May 1975		r: 28 May 1975			r: 1 Jul 1992		a: 13 Nov 1991		r: 24 May 1991	r: 4 Dec 2006	r: 23 May 2007			r: 31 Mar 2008	s: 30 Mar 2007	
Bahrain	WA	a: 27 Mar 1990	a: 27 Sep 2007		a: 20 Sep 2006			a: 18 Jun 2002		a: 6 Mar 1998		a: 13 Feb 1992	a: 21 Sep 2004	a: 21 Sep 2004			r: 22 Sep 2011		
Iran	WA	r: 29 Aug 1968	r: 24 Jun 1975		r: 24 Jun 1975							r: 13 Jul 1994	a: 26 Sep 2007	s: 21 Sep 2010			a: 23 Oct 2009		
Oman	WA	a: 2 Jan 2003						a: 7 Feb 2006				a: 9 Dec 1996	a: 17 Sep 2004	a: 17 Sep 2004			r: 6 Jan 2009		
Qatar	WA	a: 22 Jul 1976						a: 29 Apr 2009		a: 11 Jan 2000		r: 3 Apr 1995	a: 14 Dec 2001	a: 25 Jul 2002			r: 13 May 2008	s: 9 Jul 2007	
Saudi Arabia	WA	a: 23 Sep 1997						r: 7 Sep 2000		a: 23 Sep 1997		a: 26 Jan 1996	a: 18 Aug 2010	a: 10 Jun 2011			a: 24 Jun 2008	a: 24 Jun 2008	

UAE	WA	a: 20 Jun 1974						a: 6 Oct 2004		a: 19 Jul 2012		a: 3 Jan 1997					r: 19 Mar 2010	s: 12 Feb 2008		
Total: ratify/succeed (Asia, above)		11	12	1	11	1	2	17	7	8	3	23	19	18	1	3	22	1	1	
Total: accede (Asia, above)		20	17		17	7	4	19	5	20	2	14	15	12		3	6	6	2	
Total: sign (Asia, above)				2	1	1			1	1	2			3	1	1	7	5	7	
TOTAL States-Parties (all countries)		176	160	10	167	114	76	187	104	153	69	193	163	151	6	46	132	77	39	
TOTAL signatories (all countries)		86	70	42	74	35	36	99	80	78	72	140	120	129	36	35	156	91	92	
Asia as % total States-parties		18%	18%	10%	17%	7%	8%	19%	12%	18%	7%	19%	21%	20%	17%	13%	21%	9%	8%	
Asia as % total signatories				5%	1%	3%			1%	1%	3%			2%	3%	3%	4%	5%	8%	
Compare (G8 outside Asia):																				
Canada	G8	r: 14 Oct 1970	a: 19 May 1976		a: 19 May 1976	a: 19 May 1976	a: 25 Nov 2005	r: 10 Dec 1981	a: 18 Oct 2002	r: 24 Jun 1987		r: 13 Dec 1991	r: 14 Sep 2005	r: 7 Jul 2000				r: 11 Mar 2010		
EU	G8																	c: 23 Dec 2010		
Germany	G8	r: 16 May 1969	r: 17 Dec 1973		r: 17 Dec 1973	a: 25 Aug 1993	r: 18 Aug 1992	r: 10 Jul 1985	r: 15 Jan 2002	r: 1 Oct 1990	r: 4 Dec 2008	r: 6 Mar 1992	r: 15 Jul 2009	r: 13 Dec 2004	r: 28 Feb 2013			r: 24 Feb 2009	r: 24 Feb 2009	r: 24 Sep 2009
Russia	G8	r: 4 Feb 1969	r: 16 Oct 1973		r: 16 Oct 1973	a: 1 Oct 1991		r: 23 Jan 1981	r: 28 Jul 2004	r: 3 Mar 1987		r: 16 Aug 1990	s: 26 Sep 2012	r: 24 Sep 2008				r: 25 Sep 2012		
UK	G8	r: 7 Mar 1969	r: 20 May 1976		r: 20 May 1976		r: 10 Dec 1999	r: 7 Apr 1986	a: 17 Dec 2004	r: 8 Dec 1988	r: 10 Dec 2003	r: 16 Dec 1991	r: 20 Feb 2009	r: 24 Jun 2003				r: 8 Jun 2009	r: 7 Aug 2009	
US	G8	r: 21 Oct 1994	s: 5 Oct 1977		r: 8 Jun 1992			s: 17 Jul 1980		r: 21 Oct 1994		s: 16 Feb 1995	r: 23 Dec 2002	r: 23 Dec 2002				s: 30 Jul 2009		

***Marked instruments (green highlight) constitute the "Migrants' Bill of Rights", as declared by MFA.**

r=ratify a=accede s=sign (not yet ratify) rd=succeed x=denounce (blanked out, below) c=formal confirmation / A=approve / AA=accept (for eco/trade blocs eg EU)

rd = succeed; "r" so that will be counted in totals as "ratified"

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