

Episode 12: International Enforcement Processes

State Reporting Process

- Equality and Human Rights Commission, 'International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights', <https://www.equalityhumanrights.com/en/our-human-rights-work/monitoring-and-promoting-un-treaties/international-covenant-economic-social> (provides an overview of the Covenant state reporting process)
- UN Committee on Economic Social and Cultural Rights, 'NGO participation in the activities of the Committee on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights', UN Doc. E/C.12/2000/6 (2000), http://tbinternet.ohchr.org/_layouts/treatybodyexternal/Download.aspx?symbolno=E%2fC.12%2f2000%2f6&Lang=en (provides information on how NGOs and civil society more broadly can engage with the state reporting procedure)
- UN Committee on Economic Social and Cultural Rights, 'Concluding Observations', http://tbinternet.ohchr.org/_layouts/treatybodyexternal/TBSearch.aspx?Lang=en&TreatyID=9&DocTypeID=5 (a list of Concluding Observations on state reports)
- UN Committee on Economic Social and Cultural Rights, 'Note on the Procedure for Follow-up to Concluding Observations' (2017), <http://www.ohchr.org/Documents/HRBodies/CESCR/Follow-upConcludingObservations.docx> (outlines the follow-up process for Concluding Observation recommendations requiring 'urgent action')
- Equality and Human Rights Commission, 'Socio-Economic Rights in the UK: Equality and Human Rights Commission Submission to the United Nations Committee on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights on the United Kingdom's Implementation of the International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights' (2015), <https://www.equalityhumanrights.com/en/file/4426/download?token=xf6AoKRE> (an example of a National Human Rights Institution submission in the context of the Committee's state reporting process (considering the UK's 2015 periodic report))
- Just Fair, 'Implementation of the International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights in the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland: Parallel Report' (2015), http://docs.wixstatic.com/ugd/8a2436_4b339b81cc104497a9d9626522c7f796.pdf (an example of a civil society organisation submission in the context of the Committee's state reporting process (considering the UK's 2015 periodic report))

Individual Complaints Process

- Optional Protocol to the International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights, <http://www.ohchr.org/EN/ProfessionalInterest/Pages/OPCESCR.aspx> (the instrument setting out the individual complaints process associated with the International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights)
- ESCR-Net, 'OP-ICESCR', <https://www.escr-net.org/op-icescr> (provides an overview of the Optional Protocol and related resources)
- M. Langford et al (eds), *The Optional Protocol to the International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights: A Commentary* (PULP, 2017) <http://www.pulp.up.ac.za/edited-collections/the-optional-protocol-to-the-international-covenant-on-economic-social-and-cultural-rights-a-commentary> (an

academic commentary on multiple different aspects of the Optional Protocol, including how it has operated in practice so far)

- UN Committee on Economic Social and Cultural Rights, 'Provisional rules of procedure under the Optional Protocol to the International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights, adopted by the Committee at its forty-ninth session (12-30 November 2012)', UN Doc. E/C.12/49/3 (2013), http://tbinternet.ohchr.org/_layouts/treatybodyexternal/Download.aspx?symbolno=E%2FC.12%2F49%2F3&Lang=en (rules outlining the Committee's procedure in relation to the complaints and other processes set out in the Optional Protocol)
- UN Committee on Economic Social and Cultural Rights, 'Working methods concerning the Committee's follow-up to Views under the Optional Protocol to the International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights' (2017), <http://www.ohchr.org/Documents/HRBodies/CESCR/Follow-upViews.docx> (information on the follow-up steps to be taken following decisions on the merits in complaints made under the Optional Protocol process)

We would be delighted to add further relevant resources to this list. If you would like to recommend some, please contact aoife.nolan@nottingham.ac.uk.