

Episode 8: The Right to Social Security

- International Covenant on Economic Social and Cultural Rights, <http://www.ohchr.org/EN/ProfessionalInterest/Pages/CESCR.aspx> (the leading international human rights treaty that sets out economic and social rights and the central framework for these materials)
- UN Committee on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights, *General Comment No.19 on the Right to Social Security*, UN Doc. E/C.12/GC/19 (2008), http://tbinternet.ohchr.org/_layouts/treatybodyexternal/Download.aspx?symbolno=E%2fC.12%2fGC%2f19&Lang=en (outlines the scope, content and obligations imposed by the right to social security)
- ESCR-Net, 'The Right to Social Security', <https://www.escr-net.org/rights/social-security> (a short introduction to the right to social security with useful links to advocacy resources related to that right)
- M. Sepulveda & C. Nyst, *The Human Rights Approach to Social Protection* (Finland: Finland Ministry for Foreign Affairs: 2012), <http://www.ohchr.org/Documents/Issues/EPoverty/HumanRightsApproachToSocialProtection.pdf> (discusses social protection (including social security) from the perspective of human rights, with a significant focus on the right to social security)
- ILO Recommendation 202 concerning National Floors of Social Protection, adopted by International Labour Conference on 14 June 2012 http://www.ilo.org/wcmsp5/groups/public/---ed_norm/---relconf/documents/meetingdocument/wcms_183326.pdf (outlines the concept of Social Protection Floors, which are becoming an ever-more important element of international and national policy efforts in relation to social security/social protection systems. SPF are not addressed in depth in the videos but it is useful to know about them. The Committee has discussed them here: http://docstore.ohchr.org/SelfServices/FilesHandler.ashx?enc=4slQ6QSmIBEDzFEovL_CuW1AVC1NkPsgUedPIF1vfPMJvHEXEU4Khj3y6yINSyq8u5n%2Ba%2BgVU%2FQRd1%2BntxmQe%2BeWynffCas%2FNSBp%2Bf2U0tNs0CiwKxDpx8dBbFO50SIXs)
- Homepage of the Special Rapporteur on extreme poverty and human rights, <http://www.ohchr.org/EN/Issues/Poverty/Pages/SRExtremePovertyIndex.aspx> (includes information on the activities and outputs of the UN expert on extreme poverty and human rights, including annual reports on thematic issues related to poverty and human rights (including the right to social security))
- United Nations Research Institute for Social Development, 'Social Protection and Human Rights', <http://socialprotection-humanrights.org/> (contains a wide range of resources on social protection, including the right to social security and aspects thereof)
- Equality and Human Rights Commission, 'Social Security Systems Based on Dignity and Respect', <https://www.equalityhumanrights.com/en/publication-download/social-security-systems-based-dignity-and-respect> (a study on how national social security systems do and should encompass the key human rights principles of dignity and respect. Includes discussion of the right to social security)
- Scottish Human Rights Commission, 'The Right to Social Security' <http://www.scottishhumanrights.com/economic-social-cultural-rights/social->

[security/](#) (a video that outlines the right to social security and how it combines with other human rights)

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.