

OPEN FOR SIGNATURE

The list below is a selection of treaties which are currently open for signature

A simple signature (signature subject to ratification) is permitted for most multilateral treaties for a specified period of time, though some multilateral treaties remain open for signature indefinitely. By signing, the State has not expressed its consent to be bound by the treaty, which does not occur until the State ratifies, accepts or approves the treaty. However, a signature does mean that a State is obliged, in good faith, to refrain from acts that would defeat the object and purpose of the treaty (article 18 of the Vienna Convention on the Law of Treaties of 1969).

SELECTED MULTILATERAL TREATIES DEPOSITED WITH THE SECRETARY-GENERAL WHICH ARE OPEN FOR SIGNATURE

1. International Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Racial Discrimination. New York, 7 March 1966
2. International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights. New York, 16 December 1966
3. Optional Protocol to the International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights. New York, 10 December 2008
4. International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights. New York, 16 December 1966
5. Optional Protocol to the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights. New York, 16 December 1966
6. Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women. New York, 18 December 1979
7. Optional Protocol to the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women. New York, 6 October 1999
8. Convention against Torture and Other Cruel, Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment. New York, 10 December 1984
9. Optional Protocol to the Convention against Torture and Other Cruel, Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment. New York, 18 December 2002
10. Convention on the Rights of the Child. New York, 20 November 1989
11. Optional Protocol to the Convention on the Rights of the Child on the involvement of children in armed conflict. New York, 25 May 2000
12. Optional Protocol to the Convention on the Rights of the Child on the sale of children, child prostitution and child pornography. New York, 25 May 2000
13. Optional Protocol to the Convention on the Rights of the Child on a communications procedure. New York, 19 December 2011
14. Second Optional Protocol to the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights, aiming at the abolition of the death penalty. New York, 15 December 1989
15. International Convention on the Protection of the Rights of All Migrant Workers and Members of their Families. New York, 18 December 1990

16. Agreement establishing the Fund for the Development of the Indigenous Peoples of Latin America and the Caribbean. Madrid, 24 July 1992
17. Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities. New York, 13 December 2006
18. Optional Protocol to the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities. New York, 13 December 2006
19. International Convention for the Protection of All Persons from Enforced Disappearance. New York, 20 December 2006
20. United Nations Convention on Contracts for the International Carriage of Goods Wholly or Partly by Sea. New York, 11 December 2008
21. International Cocoa Agreement, 2010. Geneva, 25 June 2010
22. United Nations Convention on Transparency in Treaty-based Investor-State Arbitration. New York, 10 December 2014
23. Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty. New York, 10 September 1996
24. Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons. New York, 7 July 2017
25. Regional Agreement on Access to Information, Public Participation and Justice in Environmental Matters in Latin America and the Caribbean (Escazú, 4 March 2018)