Launch Event

"Global Report on Law and Policy on Internal Displacement"

Monday, 10 March 2025 (2:00pm - 3:30pm, CET - Geneva)
Online (Zoom) - Register here

The event, organised by UNHCR and the <u>Internal Displacement Research Network</u>, will launch the second "<u>Global Report on Law and Policy on Internal Displacement: Implementing National Responsibility</u>" developed by UNHCR in collaboration with the Global Protection Cluster's Task Team on Law and Policy.

This report presents an overview – global and by region - of key law and policy developments related to prevention, protection and solutions for IDPs that occurred since the publication of the first Global Report on Law and Policy on Internal Displacement, also reflected in UNHCR's IDP Law and Policy Dashboard. The report then delves more deeply into the implementation of existing frameworks. Drawing evidence from 15 countries addressing displacement (Afghanistan, Azerbaijan, Central African Republic, Colombia, Democratic Republic of Congo, Ethiopia, Georgia, Honduras, Iraq, Mexico, Niger, Nigeria, Somalia, Ukraine and Yemen), the research reviews the legal, policy and institutional response by affected States in order to identify challenges, lessons learnt, good practices and opportunities to strengthen implementation and ensure enjoyment of rights.

The event will be an opportunity to discuss the findings of the report and hear from experts focusing on key aspects of implementation, including meaningful participation of internally displaced persons and engagement by judicial, human rights as well as development actors.

The event is intended for all stakeholders: government officials, UN agencies, NGOs and academics among others, who are working on or are interested in supporting prevention, protection and solutions for IDPs through adequate legal, policy and institutional frameworks.

Event agenda

Moderator:

• Ms. Elizabeth Tan, UNHCR Director, Division of International Protection

Opening Remarks

- Ms. Ruvendrini Menikdiwela, UNHCR Assistant High Commissioner for Protection
- Ms. Paula Gaviria, UN Special Rapporteur on the human rights of IDPs

Key report findings:

• Prof. David Cantor, University of London, Director of the Refugee Law Initiative

Panel:

- Ms. Natalia Ángel, Judge of the Constitutional Court of Colombia
- Ms. Altunina Olga Mykolaivna, Representative for the Rights of Citizens Affected by Armed Aggression against Ukraine of the Ukrainian Parliament Commissioner for Human Rights
- Ms. Maimouna Mbow Fam, World Bank Practice Manager Fragility, Conflict, and Violence Group

Plenary discussion