FOTCD: 3 Geographic Branches
The Africa Branch
The Asia-Pacific, Middle East and North Africa Branch
The Americas and Europe and Central Asia Branch

3 Specialized Sections:
The Emergency Response Section
The Peace Mission Support Section (based in New York)
The National Institutions and Regional Mechanisms Section
UN Human Rights: Field Operations

Field presences:

- 27 in Africa,
- 15 in Asia,
- 10 in the Middle East and North Africa,
- 21 in the Americas,
- 11 in Europe and Central Asia.

Diagram showing distribution of staff in the field:

- 55% HQ
- 13.5% Africa
- 12% Americas
- 7% Middle East & North Africa
- 6.5% Asia Pacific
- 6% Europe & Central Asia

Statistics:

- 85 + 1 (2 locations) field presences
- 17 country/stand-alone offices/human rights missions
- 12 regional offices/centres
- 38 human rights advisers deployed under the framework of the UNSDG
- 6 other types of field presences
OHCHR Technical Cooperation & Advisory Services in the field

- Monitoring, analysis and reporting
- Mediation, advocacy, early warning, prevention
- Advisory services, technical cooperation
- Support to NHRIs
UN Voluntary Fund for Technical Cooperation

- Extra-budgetary contributions specifically earmarked for technical cooperation are mainly channelled through the United Nations Voluntary Fund for Technical Cooperation in the field of Human Rights (VFTC).

- Board of Trustees of the VFTC provides expert policy advice on technical cooperation.

- In 2019, the VFTC provided support to 45 countries for an amount of 15.5 Million.

- In 2020, some 1,534 technical cooperation activities and advisory services implemented by field presences supported.
Implementation through partnerships

- Government, including local administration
- Judiciary and parliament
- Law enforcement: police and prisons
- National Human Rights Institutions
- Civil society
- Media
- Academic institutions
- UN agencies
- Regional human rights protection mechanisms
Examples of results. Implementation of recommendations from HR mechanisms and in support of SDG Implementation
Regional Offices/Regional Centres

- The Regional Office for Southern Africa supported the Government to adopt a National Action Plan against racism, xenophobia and related intolerance.

- The Regional Office for Central America developed a Model Protocol on investigations and prosecutions of gender-based killings of women in Latin America. Online training course on the Model Protocol developed.

- East Africa
- Southern Africa
- Central Africa
- West Africa
- Middle East & North Africa
- Pacific
- South East Asia
- Central America
- South America
- SW Asia/Arab Region
- Central Asia
- Europe
Country Offices/Human Rights Missions

- Uganda
- Guinea
- Burundi
- Cambodia
- Seoul (DPRK)
- OPT
- Mauritania
- **Tunisia**
- Yemen
- Colombia
- Mexico
- Guatemala
- Liberia
- Honduras
- Ukraine
- Syria Based in Beirut

- Adoption of a landmark law on eliminating violence against women and girls
- Classification of GBV as a public order offence
- Establishment of a police unit to deal with gender-based violence
Human Rights Advisors in UN Country Teams

- Supported the Government and State institutions to identify and address challenges faced by youth with disabilities, LGBTI youth, young female farmers.

- Led to the development and implementation of a Youth Policy.

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- Rwanda
- Sierra Leone
- Malawi
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- Sri Lanka
- Papua New Guinea
- Timor-Leste
- Philippines
- Asia-Pacific (Bangkok)
- Sth Caucasus
- FYR Macedonia
- Paraguay
- Jamaica
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“When we are counted, we begin to count”

- Support to the 2019 Kenya Population and Housing Census.
- In partnership with the Kenya National Bureau of Statistics and the Kenya National Commission on Human Rights (KNCHR).
- Inclusion of questions – on disability, persons with albinism, intersex and indigenous peoples.
- Experience being replicated in other countries in the Africa & Americas.

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