

Special Issue

Rethinking Human Rights

Message from the Guest Editor

Dear Colleagues: In this Special Issue, particular emphasis is placed on social, environmental or technological changes that demand a reassessment of human rights found in the UDHR. Scholars are invited to critically appraise the current scope of and constraints around human rights protection with a view to identifying future obstacles and challenges in these three contexts. To look forward, it may also be important to look back, not least at how human rights law has overcome problems in the past. By anticipating future challenges and thinking collectively about how to resolve them, it is hoped that the UDHR will remain as relevant in 75 years' time as it does today. After all, as Eleanor Roosevelt put it so beautifully, '[t]he world of the future is in our making. Tomorrow is now'.

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