Corruption is detrimental to all areas and aspects of human well-being, in particular the human rights held by all individuals. Thus, the effective protection and guarantee of human rights necessarily includes mitigating systemic problems such as corruption.

The Webinar will address the complex interplay between corruption and human rights. It will emphasize the value of making an explicit connection between corruption and human rights, which have commonly been considered separate fields. The Webinar will explore various approaches to understanding this corruption–human rights nexus. Participants will have the opportunity to discuss examples of the ways in which corruption violates specific human rights and engage in the debate on whether corruption should be recognized as a human rights violation. The webinar will also address the argument that anti-corruption measures can themselves pose human rights problems.
Corruption deprives people of their rights, drives away foreign investment and despoils the environment. Corruption breeds disillusion with government and governance – and is often at the root of political dysfunction and social disunity.

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