

Research Handbook on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights as Human Rights

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Expert contributors discuss ESCR-related structures and mechanisms in the international, regional and domestic spheres, and chapters explore the details, interpretations and current developments of each thematic right, illustrating the critical cross-cutting and fault line issues relating to global ESCR. Taking a far-sighted approach, contributors critically assess the failure of dominant human rights paradigms to address ESCR and to create a framework for multilateral responses to emerging global threats, arguing that a robust, reinforced ESCR approach and practice is needed to meet the human rights challenges of the 2020s.

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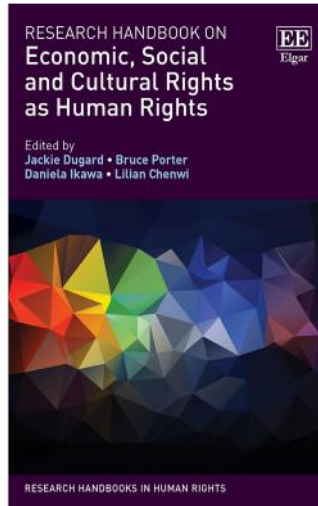
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