

Human Rights & State Fragility

Conceptual Foundations & Strategic Directions

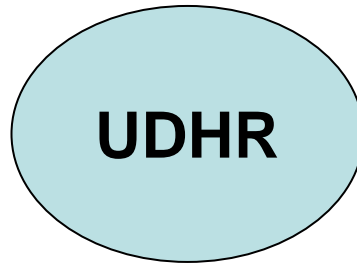
Civil

Economic

Social

Political

Cultural



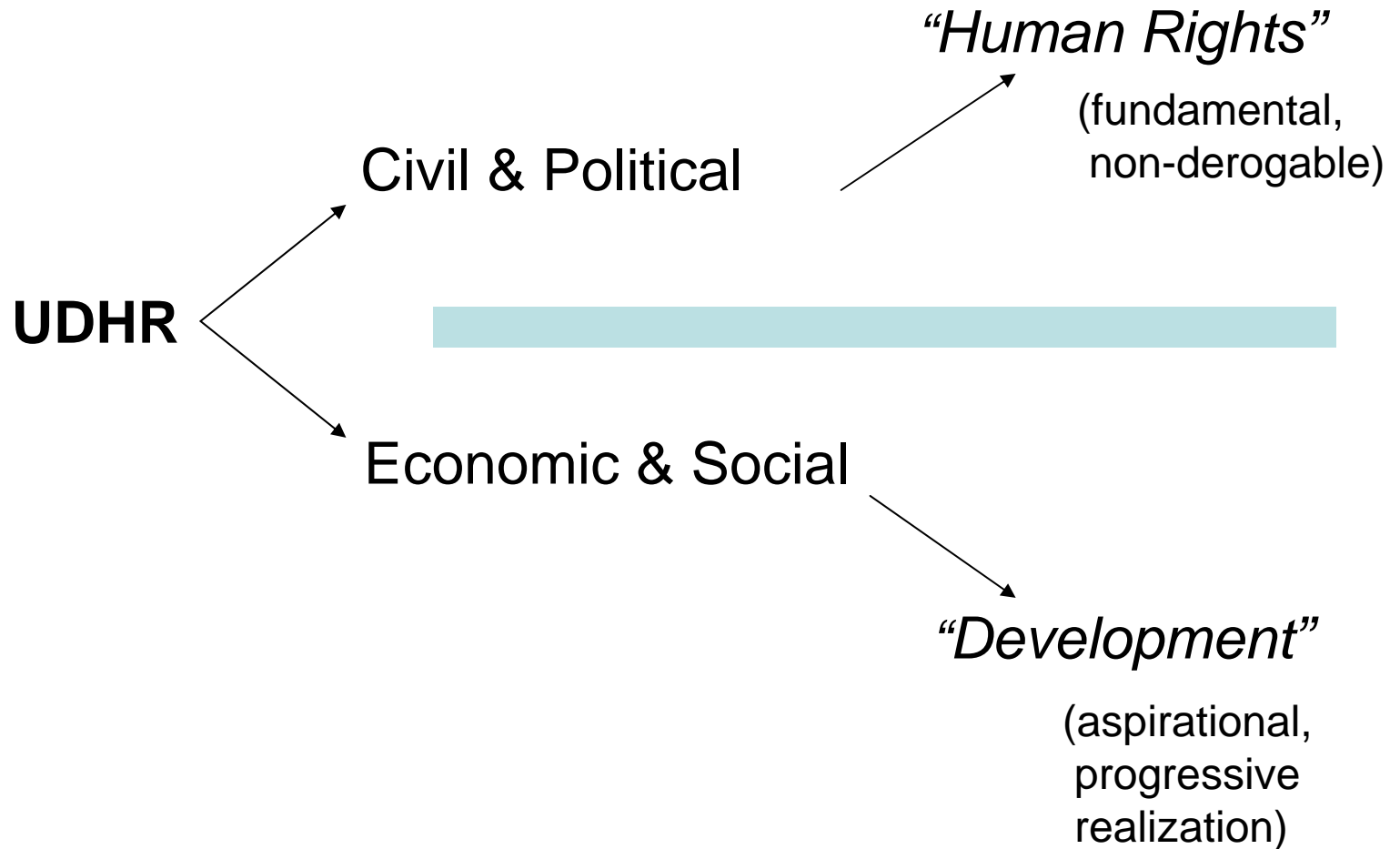
Indivisible

Inter-Dependent

Inter-Related

Equal

Conceptual Trajectory ... 1/



Conceptual Trajectory ... 2/

“Human Rights”

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Post-Cold War
Strategic
Re-Alignments
~
Intra-State Conflict
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Fragile States
~
Non-State Actors
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Identity-Based
Violations &
Genocide
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Slavery, Etc.
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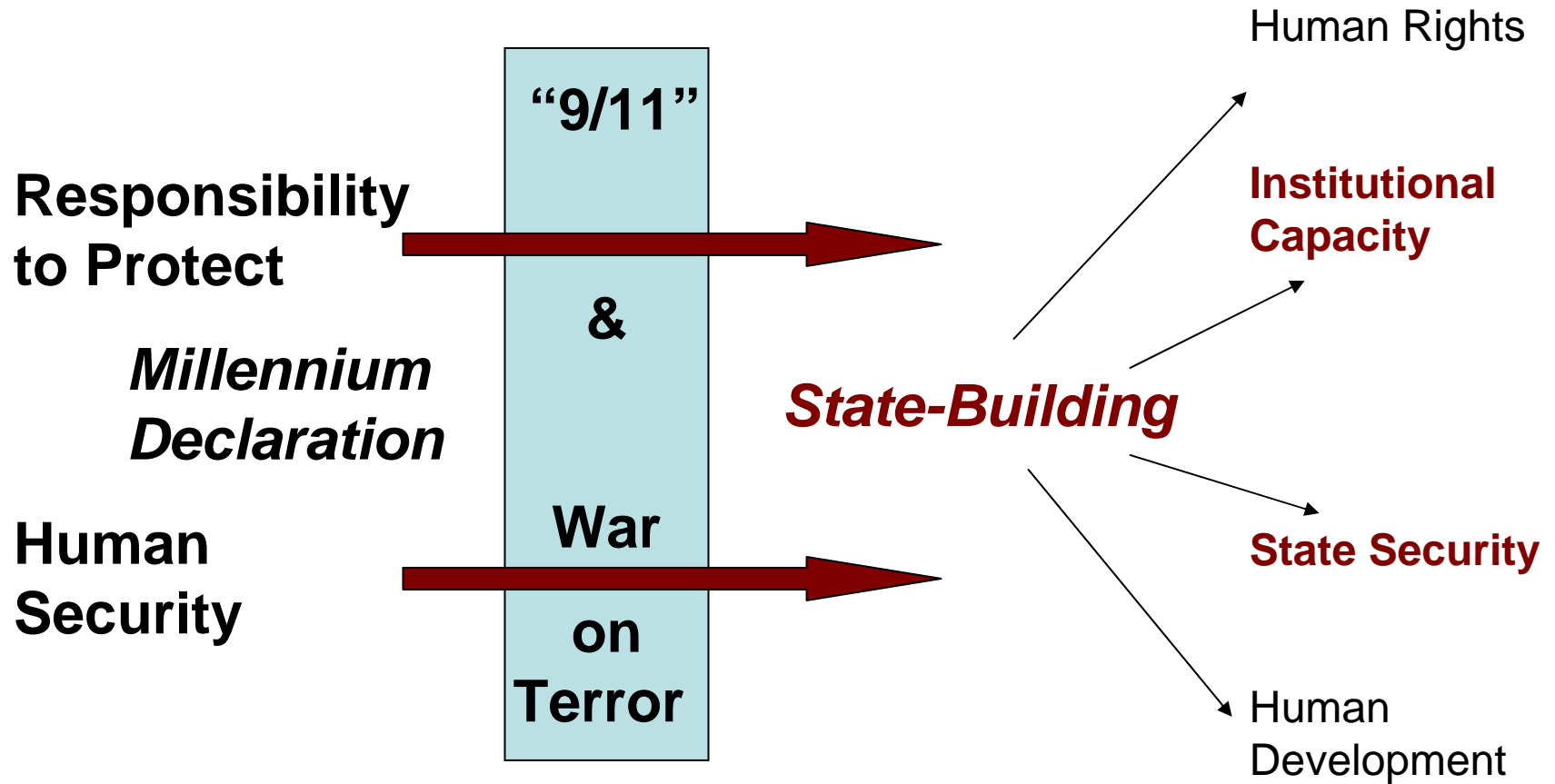
**Responsibility
to Protect**

***Millennium
Declaration***

**Human
Security**

“Development”

Conceptual Trajectory ... 3/



Conceptual Trajectory ... 4/

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UN Peacebuilding
Commission
+
Strengthening of
Office of HC for
Human Rights
& Int'l Criminal Court
+
OECD / DAC
Principles for Good
Int'l Engagement in
Fragile States &
Situations
+
MDG & PRS
Processes
+

Institutional
Capacity

Human Rights

**Human
Development**

State Security

State-Building

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graph LR; IC[Institutional Capacity] --> SB[State-Building]; HR[Human Rights] --> SB; HD[Human Development] --> SB; SS[State Security] --> SB;
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Human Rights As Normative ... 1/

... by Defining the Nature & Role of the State

- recognizing fundamental rights as inherent in persons & communities (rights-holders)
- specifying fundamental rights (freedom from fear, freedom from want, freedom to live in dignity)
- the state serves to ensure that rights are protected, respected, & fulfilled (duty-bearer)
- state-building as facilitation of the relationship between rights-holders & duty-bearers

Human Rights As Normative ... 2/

... by Identifying Core Principles & Criteria To Guide the State Structure & Practice

PRINCIPLES

- equality & non-discrimination
- participation & empowerment
- accountability

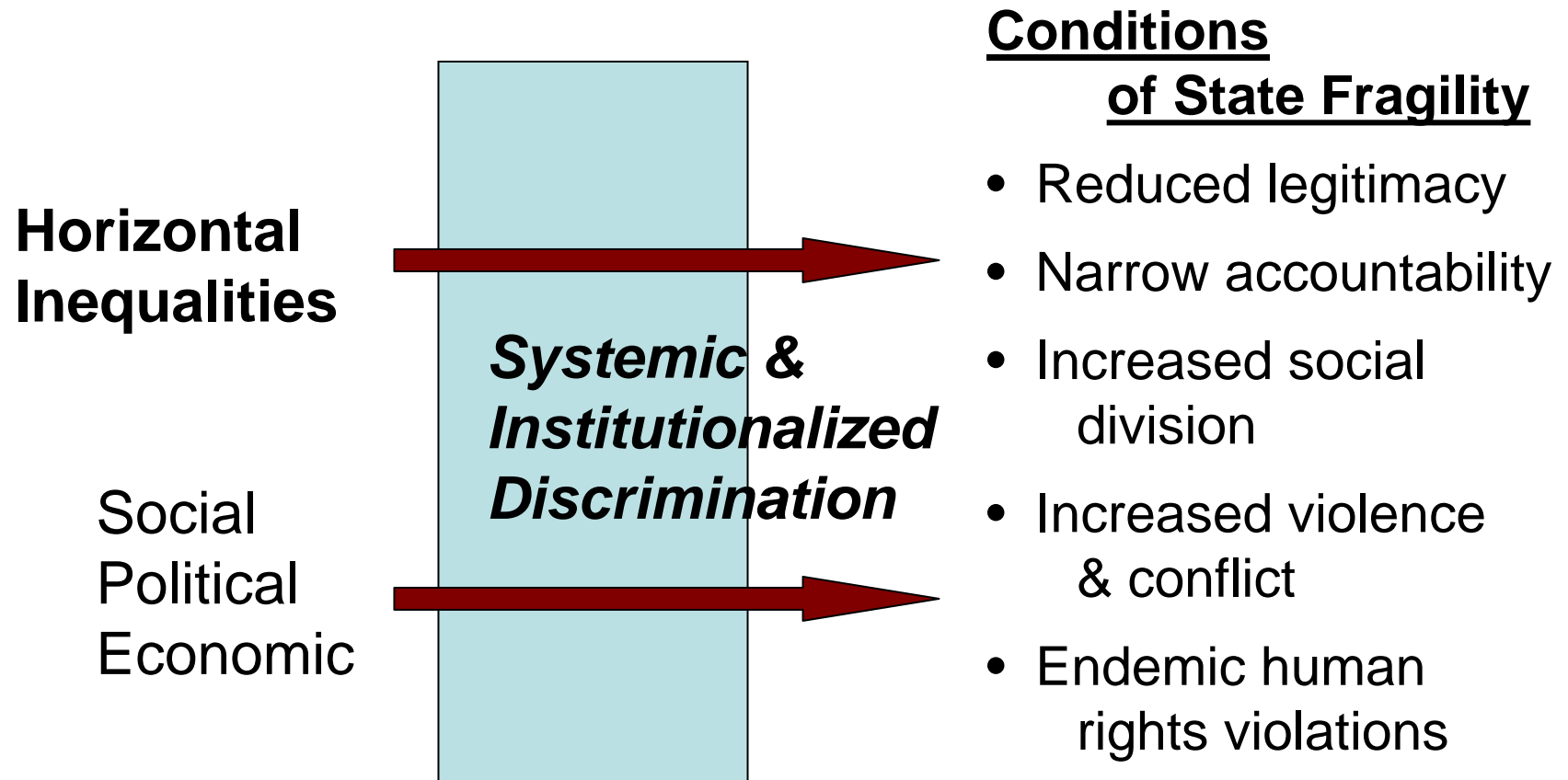
CRITERIA

- deprivation
- exclusion
- discrimination
- vulnerability
- justice

Towards a Human Rights-Based Approach ... 1/

<i>Fundamental Rights</i>	<i>State Obligations</i>	<i>Core Principles</i>	<i>State Needs / Properties</i>	<i>Strategic Directions</i>
Freedom from Fear	Duty to Protect	Equality & Non-Discrimination	Authority	Ensure Security
Freedom from Want	Duty to Fulfil	Participation & Empowerment	Service Delivery	Strengthen Capacity
Freedom to Live in Dignity	Duty to Respect	Accountability	Legitimacy	Support Democratic Governance

Toward a Human Rights-Based Approach ... 2/



**Strategic Directions for State-Building
in Situations of State Fragility**

1. Ensuring Protection & Security of Individuals & Communities
2. Supporting the Development of a Culture of Democratic Governance
3. Strengthening the Capacity & Commitment for Equitable Access to Public Services