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# “Hard” Governance

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## 1. Level of Bondage:

- “Soft” Form of Governance vs. “Hard” Form of Governance

## 2. Types of Instruments

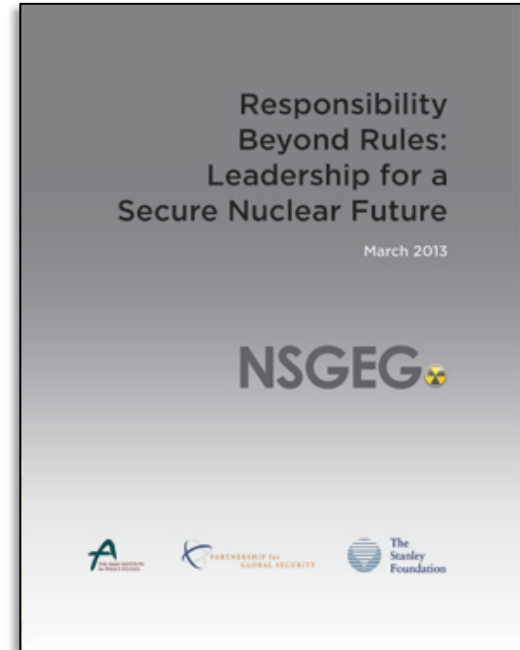
- “Soft” Legalization vs. “Hard” Legalization

- “Soft” Law vs. “Hard” Law



## Among the steps by 2020:

1. Defining the Nuclear Security and Clarifying its Scope
2. Universalizing the Current Regime
3. Creating a Unifying Instrument





## IAEA's definition:

- “prevention and detection of, and response to, theft, sabotage, unauthorized access, illegal transfer or other malicious acts involving nuclear material, other radioactive substances or their associated facilities”

## Expansion of scope?:

- How far?
- Protection from terrorism, cyber attack (other malicious acts)
- Fissile materials and radioactive sources



## Universal participation:

- Limitations of like-minded approach
- Related to expansion of scope

## Developing a Checklist:

- Nuclear security governance checklist
- Measuring progress



## Framework Convention on Nuclear Security:

- No additional obligation, but general principles that may embrace the fragmented legal obligations
- COP approach
- Peer review mechanism
- Streamlining resources and funds for capacity building
- Cooperative, not impeaching
- Open to all States



## Framework Convention on Nuclear Security:

- Long-term option
- In the Summit process: exploring its feasibility as a piece of hard Governance for better nuclear security (as a gift basket)
- No more “too much soft” or “too many soft”
- Enhancing hybridity between soft and hard laws

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