

**DRAFT PROGRAMME OF WORK**

Open-ended intergovernmental working group for the elaboration of an International Legally Binding Instrument on Transnational Corporations and other Business Enterprises with respect to human rights, Resolution A/HRC/RES/26/9

Geneva, Palais des Nations, Room XX  
Third session, 23-27 October 2017

	<b>Monday 23 October</b>	<b>Tuesday 24 October</b>	<b>Wednesday 25 October</b>	<b>Thursday 26 October</b>	<b>Friday 27 October</b>
<b>10:00-13:00</b>	<p><b>Item 1. Opening of the session</b> - Video message by the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights, Zeid Ra'ad Al Hussein - Statement by the President of the Human Rights Council, H.E. Joaquín Maza Martelli - Statement by Peggy Hicks, Director, TSPREDD (OHCHR)</p> <p><b>Item 2. Election of the Chairperson-Rapporteur</b> - Statement by the Chairperson-Rapporteur</p> <p><b>Item. 3 Adoption of the agenda and programme of work</b></p> <p><b>Item. 4. Plenary discussions in accordance with the programme of work</b>  - Presentation by keynote Speakers  -- H.E. María Fernanda Espinosa, Minister of Foreign Affairs of Ecuador, and former Chairperson – Rapporteur of the intergovernmental Open-ended Working  -- Dominique Potier, Member of the French National Assembly  General statements  Debate : Reflections on the implementation of the United Nations Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights and other relevant international, regional and national frameworks  Discussion</p>	<p><b>Item 4 (cont'd)</b>  <u>Subject 2:</u> Scope of application 2.1 Protected rights 2.2 Acts subject to its application 2.3 Actors subject to its application  Introductory remarks - Kinda Mohamedieh, South Centre - Sigrun Skogli, Professor, University of Lancaster - Manoela Roland, Professor, Universidade Federale de Juiz de Fora  Discussion</p>	<p><b>Item 4. (cont'd)</b>  <u>Subject 4:</u> Preventive measures  Introductory remarks - Baskut Tuncak, UN Special Rapporteur on hazardous substances and wastes - Ana María Suárez-Franco, FIAN International - Iván González, representative of the Confederación Sindical de Trabajadores de las Américas, CSA  Discussion  <u>Subject 5:</u> Legal liability  Introductory remarks - Richard Meeran, Partner, Leigh Day &amp; Co. - Carlos López, International Commission of Jurists - Humberto Cantú Rivera, Professor, University of Monterrey  Discussion</p>	<p><b>Item 4. (cont'd)</b>  <u>Subject 7:</u> Jurisdiction  Introductory remarks - Sandra Epal Ratjen, International Advocacy Director, Franciscans International - Gabriela Quijano, Amnesty International - Lavanga Wijekoon, Littler Mendelson  Discussion  <u>Subject 8:</u> International cooperation  Introductory remarks - Harris Gleckman, Center for Governance and Sustainability, University of Massachusetts, Boston - Vicente Yu, Deputy Executive Director, South Centre  Discussion</p>	<p><b>Item 4. (cont'd)</b>  <u>Panel:</u> The voices of the victims (selected cases from different sectors and regions).  Panel - Alfred de Zayas, United Nations Independent Expert on the promotion of a democratic and equitable international order - Lorena di Giano, Red Latinoamericana por el Acceso a los Medicamentos - Mohamed Hakech, La Vía Campesina MENA region - María del Carmen Figueroa, Asamblea Nacional de Afectados Nacionales - Hemantha Withanage, Friends of the Earth – CEJ  Preparation of the report of the third session of the OEIGWG</p>

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<p><b>15:00-18:00</b></p>	<p><b>Item 4. (cont'd)</b></p> <p><u>Subject 1:</u> General framework</p> <p>1.1 Preamble</p> <p>1.2 Principles</p> <p>1.3 Purpose</p> <p>1.4 Objectives</p> <p>Introductory remarks</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Lola Sánchez, Member of the European Parliament</li> <li>- Richard Kozul-Wright, Director of the Division of Globalization and Development Strategies, UNCTAD</li> <li>- Vicente Yu, Deputy Executive Director, South Centre</li> </ul> <p>Discussion</p>	<p><b>Item 4. (cont'd)</b></p> <p><u>Subject 3:</u> General obligations</p> <p>3.1 Obligations of States</p> <p>3.2 Obligations of Transnational Corporations and other business enterprises</p> <p>3.3 Obligations of International Organizations</p> <p>Introductory remarks</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Olivier De Schutter, Professor, Université de Louvain</li> <li>- Linda Kromjong, Secretary-General of the International Organization of Employers</li> <li>- David Bilchitz, Professor, University of Johannesburg and Director, South African Institute of Advances Constitutional, Public, Human Rights and International Law</li> <li>- Makbule Sahan, representative of the International Trade Union Confederation</li> </ul> <p>Discussion</p>	<p><b>Item 4. (cont'd)</b></p> <p><u>Subject 6:</u> Access to justice, effective remedy and guarantees of non-repetition</p> <p>Introductory remarks</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Surya Deva, Chairperson of the United Nations Working Group on Business and Human Rights</li> <li>- Gilles Lhuillier, Professor, Ecole Normale Supérieure (ENS) Rennes, France</li> <li>- Richard Meeran, Partner, Leigh Day &amp; Co.</li> </ul> <p>Discussion</p>	<p><b>Item 4. (cont'd)</b></p> <p><u>Subject 9:</u> Mechanisms for promotion, implementation and monitoring</p> <p>Introductory remarks</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Baskut Tuncak, UN Special Rapporteur on hazardous substances and wastes</li> <li>- Anne van Schaik, Friends of the Earth Europe</li> <li>- Melik Özden, CETIM</li> </ul> <p>Discussion</p> <p><u>Subject 10:</u> General provisions</p> <p>Discussion</p>	<p><b>Item 5. Adoption of the report (ad referendum)</b></p>