



***Leadership and Leverage:
Embedding human rights in the rules and relationships that drive the global economy***

Programme

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Welcome to the 2016 UN Forum on Business and Human Rights!

The 2016 Forum programme addresses key human rights challenges around the globe where greater State and business leadership and leverage urgently need to be applied. Now in its fifth year - reflecting also the fifth anniversary of the endorsement of the UN Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights - the 2016 Forum aims to drill down on a number of core issues and demonstrate the role of many different stakeholders along the value chain and across business relationships.

Broadly, the Forum sessions reflect four key messages:

1. *States should “lead by example”: there is an urgent need for governments around the world to step up their efforts in policy, law and enforcement to implement the Guiding Principles. One lagging area concerns their own business-related activities, such as the conduct of State-owned enterprises, government procurement activities and the decisions and actions of public financial institutions.*
2. *Leadership and leverage should be exercised by all enterprises that make up the value chain (including parent companies, suppliers and financial institutions) and by all relevant company functions (from the board and legal teams to the sustainability and communication departments). It is not sufficient for attention to be focused merely on consumer-facing brands and a couple of business functions within a company. There is also a pressing need to better understand how the “capital supply chain” can better incentivize business respect for human rights and how to create markets that reward good corporate conduct.*
3. *We need better models of action and accountability to drive business respect for human rights in order for companies to play a meaningful role in implementing the Global Goals. Respect for human rights should be at the heart of a company’s contribution to sustainable development. Adverse human rights impacts cannot be offset and companies should first and foremost consider the effect of their core operations on people ahead of unrelated corporate philanthropy/CSR activities.*

4. *We need to step up our efforts to improve access to remedy for victims of human rights abuses and take concrete action to protect those in particularly vulnerable situations, including human rights defenders, indigenous peoples, migrant workers, trafficked persons, children and those facing discrimination for their gender, sexuality, and disability.*

These messages are captured across these general session headings:

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- *State leadership & leverage*
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What is the Forum?

The UN Human Rights Council established the Forum as a multi-stakeholder platform to “discuss trends and challenges in the implementation of the Guiding Principles and promote dialogue and cooperation on issues linked to business and human rights.” It is guided by the UN Working Group on Business and Human Rights and organized by the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights (OHCHR).

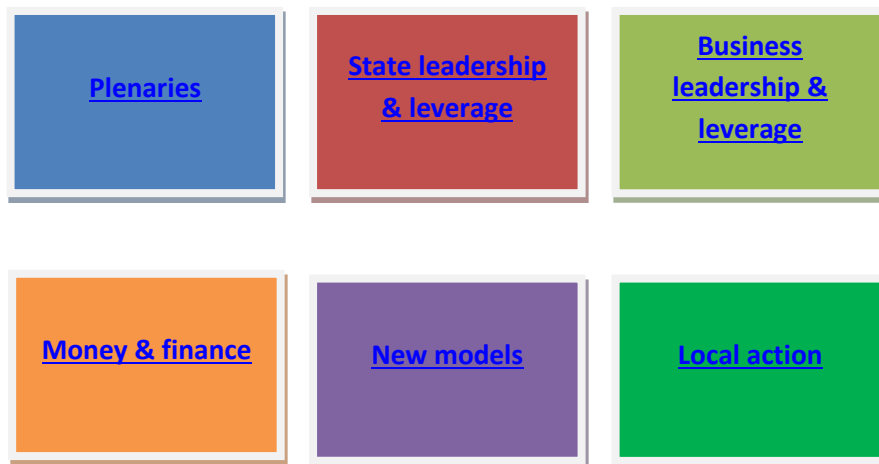
Building on this year’s event, the 2017 Forum (November, dates tbc) will include a major focus on the third pillar of the Guiding Principles: “access to remedy.”

This year’s Forum aims to achieve deeper discussions and more interaction with the audience. We welcome you to take part in three days with tremendous opportunities to share perspectives and network.

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Speakers	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Anita Ramasastry, UN Working Group on Business and Human Rights● Danny Bradlow, SARCHI Professor of International Development Law and African Economic Relations at the University of Pretoria, South Africa

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Moderator	Shawn MacDonald, CEO, Verité
Speakers	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Daniëlle Essink, Senior engagement specialist, Robeco● Kilian Moote, KnowTheChain Project Director, Humanity United● Klara Skrivankova, UK and Europe Programme Manager, Anti-Slavery International● Yann Wyss, Human Rights Specialist, Nestlé
Organisers	KnowtheChain, Business & Human Rights Resource Centre, Verité and Humanity United
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Moderator	Kate Gilmore, Deputy High Commissioner for Human Rights
Speakers	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Sara Hossain, Bangladesh Legal Aid and Services Trust● Jeremy Oppenheim, Programme Director of the Global Business and Sustainable Development Commission● John Ruggie, former UN Special Representative on Business & Human Rights● Counselor Christiana Tah, former Attorney General / Minister of Justice in Liberia● Mark Wilson, CEO of Aviva
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Speakers	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Matti Kohonen, Principal Adviser (Private Sector), Christian Aid• Arnaud Martin, Attorney at Law, Tax Expert, ABR Attorneys at Law LLC, Switzerland• Manuel F. Montes, Senior Advisor on Finance and Development, South Centre / Member of the Independent Commission for the Reform of International Corporate Taxation (ICRICT)• Anita Ramasastry, Member of the UN Working Group on Business and Human Rights
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Moderator	Dante Pesce, UN Working Group on Business and Human Rights
Speakers	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Deborah Greenfield, ILO Deputy Director-General for Policy● Linda Kromjong, Secretary-General of the International Organization of Employers (IOE)● Jeffrey Vogt, Director, International Trade Union Confederation (ITUC)● Susanne Hoffmann, Director-General for “European and International Employment and Social Policies, ESF “, German Federal Ministry of Labour and Social Affairs● Tom Mackall, Vice President Global Labor Relations at Sodexo
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Moderator	Surya Deva, UN Working Group on Business and Human Rights
Speakers	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Sanyu Awori, IWRAP Asia Pacific● Idar Kreutzer, CEO of Finance Norway● Wandisa Phama, Human rights lawyer at the Centre for Applied Legal Studies, Wits University● Frances Raday, UN Working Group on Discrimination against women in law and in practice
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Speakers	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Simon Connell, Director of Sustainability, Standard Chartered Bank• Sonia Consiglio Favaretto, Managing Director - Sustainability and Communications, BM&F BOVESPA (Stock Exchange in Brazil)• Anthony Miller, Coordinator of Sustainable Stock Exchanges Initiative, UNCTAD• Jaideep Singh Panwar, Manager, Sustainability & Governance Asia Pacific, APG Asset Management Asia• Steve Waygood, Chief Responsible Investment Officer, Aviva Investors
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Speakers	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Ryan Brightwell, Researcher & Editor, BankTrack● Giulia Guidi, Executive Director, Global Environmental & Social Risk Management, J.P. Morgan● Christian Leitz, Head of Corporate Responsibility Management, UBS● Raul Manjarin, Business Development Manager, RepRisk (TBC)● Mercedes Sotoca, Head of Environmental and Social Risk, ING
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Speakers	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Rachel Cowburn-Walden, Global Director - Human Rights Stewardship, Unilever• Wilma B. Liebman, Chair of the Dunlop Commission and ex-Chair of the U.S. National Labor Relations Board (NLRB)• Baldemar Velasquez, President and Co-Founder of the Farm Labor Organizing Committee (FLOC)• Rachel Wilshaw, Ethical Trade Manager at Oxfam GB and Board Member at Ethical Trading Initiative
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Moderator	Imogen Foulkes, Geneva Correspondent, BBC
Speakers	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Andrew Forrest, Founder, Walk Free Foundation• Deborah Greenfield, Deputy Director-General (Policy) ILO• Nethithorn Praditsarn, Vice President, Group Sustainability and Communications, Office of Chairman, Charoen Pokphand (CP) Group• Geoff Shaw, Assistant Secretary, People Smuggling and Human Trafficking Taskforce, Australian Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade
Organisers	Governments of Australia and Thailand
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Session title	Banks: human rights due diligence and developments in public reporting
Date	Monday 14 November
Time	13:20-14:40 (lunchtime session)
Room	XXII
Moderator	Anita Ramasastry, UN Working Group on Business & Human Rights
Speakers	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Maria Anne van Dijk, Head of ESE Policy and Risk, ABN AMRO● Eliza Eubank, Director of Environmental and Social Risk Management, Citi● Andreas Missbach, Head of Commodities, Trade and Finance, Public Eye● Alexandra van Selm, Program Director International Responsible Business Conduct, Social and Economic Council of the Netherlands (SER)
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Session title	Lessons from the field when implementing human rights impact assessments
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Time	15:00-16:20
Room	XX
Moderator	Sarah Zoen, Oxfam
Speakers	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Fernanda Hopenhaym, PODER Mexico● Michael Clements, LHR South Africa● Gustavo Ferroni, Oxfam Brazil● Eniko Horvath, Business and Human Rights Resource Centre● Aung Kyaw Soe, Myanmar Centre for Responsible Business <p>*Breakout session will also include Heather Eisenlord, International Senior Lawyers Project</p>
Organisers	Business and Human Rights Resource Centre, Danish Institute for Human Rights, FIDH, Oxfam, PODER
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Session title	ACT initiative: how brands, manufacturers & trade unions are working together for a living wage in garment supply chains
Date	Monday 14 November
Time	15:00-16:20
Room	XXIII
Moderator	TBC
Speakers	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Libby Annat, Ethical Trade and Sustainability Controller, Primark● Lary Brown, Vice President-Head of Global Social and Environmental Sustainability, Esprit● Susan Hayter, Senior Labour Relations Specialist, ILO● Jenny Holdcroft, Assistant General Secretary, IndustriALL
Organisers	ACT
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Session title	The role of companies in addressing legal and societal discrimination against LGBTI people
Date	Monday 14 November
Time	15:00-16:20
Room	XXVII
Moderator	Kate Gilmore, Deputy High Commissioner for Human Rights, OHCHR
Speakers	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Christie Constantine, Global Director of Corporate Social Responsibility, Baker & McKenzie• Kathryn Dovey, Director of National Contact Point Coordination, OECD• Arvind Narrain, Geneva Director, ARC International• Yves Nissim, VP, head of Transformation and operation in CSR at France Telecom - Orange• Salil Tripathi, Senior Advisor of Global Issues, Institute for Human Rights and Business
Organisers	OHCHR and IHRB
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Session title	The responsibility and influence of institutional investors to drive better business conduct
Date	Monday 14 November
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Room	XXI
Moderator	Anita Ramasastry, UN Working Group on Business and Human Rights
Speakers	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Daniëlle Essink, Senior engagement specialist, Robeco● Bennett Freeman, Senior Adviser, BSR● Will Martindale, Head of Policy, UN PRI● Helena Vines Fiestas, Head of Sustainability Research, BNP Paribas Investment Partners● Pia Rudolfsson Goyer, Senior Advisor, Council on Ethics of the Norwegian Government Pension Fund Global
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Session title	Integrating human rights in international investment agreements
Date	Monday 14 November
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Room	XXII
Moderator	Surya Deva, UN Working Group on Business and Human Rights
Speakers	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Caio Borges, Attorney in the Business and Human Rights Project at Conectas Human Rights● Leila Choukroune, Director of the Centre for Social Sciences and Humanities (CSH), New Delhi India, the French National Research Centre (CNRS) Unit on South Asia● José Henrique Vieira Martins, General Coordinator for Trade Policy, Secretariat for International Affairs of the Ministry of Finance, Government of Brazil● Viviane Schiavi, Senior Policy Manager, Corporate Responsibility and Anti-corruption, ICC (International Chamber of Commerce)● Elisabeth Tuerk, Chief, Section on International Investment Agreements, UNCTAD
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Session title	Labour migration in supply chains: combating forced labour and human trafficking
Date	Monday 14 November
Time	16:40-18:00
Room	XXVII
Moderator	Christian Ewert, Director General, Foreign Trade Association (FTA)
Speakers	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Lary Brown, Vice President, Head of Global Social and Environmental Sustainability, Esprit● Maria Grazia Giammarinaro, UN Special Rapporteur on trafficking in persons, especially women and children● Rob Lederer, Executive Director, Electronic Industry Citizenship Coalition (EICC)● Kristina Åreskog, Sustainability Coordinator, AxFood
Organisers	EICC, FTA and its Business Social Compliance Initiative (BSCI) and UN Special Rapporteur on trafficking in persons, especially women and children
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Session title	Unpacking the case for the living wage in law, practice and commerce
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Moderator	Livia Firth, Founder of Eco-Age
Speakers	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Steve Heron, Reward Consultant, Unilever● Roger McElrath, Associate Director, BSR● Charlotte Scheltus, Advisor on Sustainability and Human Rights, ASN Bank● Jessica Simor, QC, Matrix Chambers and Lawyers Circle
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Session title	Leveraging the money: engaging investors, lenders and buyers to ensure effective remedy for communities
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Room	XX
Moderator	Surya Deva, UN Working Group on Business and Human Rights
Speakers	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Harpreet Kaur, Senior South Asia Researcher & Representative, Business & Human Rights Resource Centre● Anirudha Nagar, South Asia Director, Accountability Counsel● Prabindra Shakya, Human Rights Programme Coordinator, Asia Indigenous Peoples Pact● David Simpson, Project Complaint Mechanism Office, European Bank for Reconstruction and Development
Organisers	Accountability Counsel
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Session title	Understanding the role of insurance companies vis-à-vis human rights
Date	Monday 14 November
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Room	XXI
Moderator	Butch Bacani, Programme Leader, UNEP FI Principles for Sustainable Insurance Initiative
Speakers	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Nico Ahn, Project Manager, Environmental, Social & Governance Office, Allianz• Maria Lisiakova, Risk Manager, Group Risk Management, Swiss Re• Anita Ramasastry, UN Working Group on Business and Human Rights
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Session title	Implementing the UNGPs in times of major political, economic or social change : focus on investment
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Time	16:40-18:00
Room	XXII
Moderator	Andrea Shemberg, LSE Investment & Human Rights Project
Speakers	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Paula Gaviria Betancur, the Presidential High Commissioner on Human Rights, Government of Colombia● Mónica Jiménez González, Secretaria General, Ecopetrol S.A.● Hadi Ghaemi, Executive Director, International Campaign for Human Rights in Iran● Christiana Tah, former Attorney General / Minister of Justice in Liberia
Organisers	LSE Investment & Human Rights Project
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Session title	Film screening: <u>The True Cost</u> - a documentary film that asks viewers to consider who really pays the price for our clothing <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Watch the <u>trailer!</u>
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Session title	The SDGs and the rights of indigenous peoples – Thematic event followed by reception
Date	Monday 14 November
Time	18:15-19:30
Room	XXVII
Organisers	Gáldu – Resource centre for the rights of Indigenous peoples

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Session title	Book launch: Business and Human Rights – Reflections from Latin America
Date	Monday 14 November
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Room	XXI
Moderator	Humberto Cantú Rivera, Panthéon-Assas University
	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Phil Bloomer, Business & Human Rights Resource Centre• Surya Deva, UN Working Group on Business and Human Rights• Fernanda Hopenhaym, PODER• Paloma Muñoz Quick, Danish Institute for Human Rights• Santiago Ramírez Reyes, Panthéon-Sorbonne University• Ramiro Rivadeneira Silva, National Human Rights Institution of Ecuador (video)• Nicolás Carrillo Santarelli, La Sabana University, Colombia (video)
Organisers	Instituto Interamericano de Derechos Humanos (Inter-American Institute for Human Rights)
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Session title	State-owned enterprises and the Governments that own or control them: human rights implications
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Room	XXVII
Moderator	Dante Pesce, UN Working Group on Business and Human Rights
Speakers	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Aruna Chandrasekhar, Independent researcher• Sun Lihui, Director of Liaison Department, China Chamber of Commerce of Metals, Minerals and Chemicals Importers and Exporters (CCCMC)• Malin Helgesen, Legal Counsel, Statoil ASA• Jens Schlyter, Special Advisor, Sustainable Business, Ministry of Enterprise and Innovation, Government Offices of Sweden• Cristina Tébar Less, Head, Responsible Business Conduct Unit, OECD
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Session title	Responsible raw materials sourcing: collaborating along the supply chain
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Room	XX
Moderator	Ben Davies, Manager Materials Stewardship, International Council on Mining and Metals (ICMM) & Bob Mitchell, Vice-President, Environmental and Social responsibility, Electronic Industry Citizenship Coalition (EICC)
Speakers	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Seema Joshi, Head of Business and Human Rights, Amnesty International• Anna Krutikov, Head of Sustainable Development, Glencore• Paula Pyers, Senior Director, Supplier Responsibility, Apple Inc• Jaideep Singh Panwar, Manager - Global Responsible Investment & Governance, APG Asset Management
Organisers	EICC and ICMM
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Session title	Human rights in the context of mega sporting events
Date	Tuesday 15 November
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Room	XXI
Moderator	John Morrison, Chief Executive, Institute for Human Rights and Business
Speakers	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Giovanni di Cola, Special Advisor, ILO● Sandra Lendenmann, Head of Human Rights Policy Office, Swiss Federal Department of Foreign Affairs● Jason Pielemeier, Special Advisor, Bureau of Democracy, Human Rights, and Labor, U.S. Department of State● Lene Wendland, Adviser on Business and Human Rights, OHCHR
Organisers	Swiss Federal Department of Foreign Affairs; U.S. Department of State; Institute for Human Rights and Business
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Session title	Boardroom case study: the board considers human rights challenges in a transnational commercial venture
Date	Tuesday 15 November
Time	09:00-10:20
Room	XXII
Moderator	Danny Bradlow, SARCHI Professor of International Development Law and African Economic Relations at the University of Pretoria, South Africa
Speakers	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Annelies Verlinden, Partner, DLA Piper• Jonathan Refoy, Director of European Corporate Affairs, CH2M HILL• Jonathan Exten-Wright, Partner, DLA Piper
Organisers	DLA Piper and University of Pretoria
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Session title	Unlocking new streams of funding for business and human rights
Date	Tuesday 15 November
Time	09:00-10:20
Room	XXIII
Moderator	Chris Jochnick, CEO of Landesa and Chair of Board of Business and Human Rights Resource Centre
Speakers	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Nick Cotts, Group Executive - Sustainability and External Relations, Newmont Mining Corporation● Santiago Porto, Associate Consultant, PeaceNexus● Irit Tamir, Advocacy Manager in the Private Sector Department, Oxfam America● Chet Tchozewski, Founder and CEO, RTC Impact Fund and the Global Greengrants Fund
Organisers	Chris Jochnick, CEO of Landesa and Chair of Board of Business and Human Rights Resource Centre
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Session title	Plenary II Leadership perspectives: Embedding human rights in the rules and relationships that drive the global economy
Date	Tuesday 15 November
Time	10:45-12:45
Room	Assembly Hall (Building A)
Speakers	Part I: Welcome remarks <ul style="list-style-type: none">● Ambassador Geert Muylle, Vice-President of the UN Human Rights Council● Sergei Alexandrovich Ordzhonikidze, Chairperson of the 2016 Forum● Zeid Ra'ad Al Hussein, UN High Commissioner for Human Rights Part II: Keynote speech <ul style="list-style-type: none">● Johann N. Schneider-Ammann, President of the Swiss Confederation Part III: Panel discussion on “leadership perspectives” <p>Moderator: Anita Ramasastry, UN Working Group on Business & Human Rights</p> <p>Panelists:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">● Luis Almagro, Secretary General, Organization of American States● Gillian Caldwell, CEO, Global Witness● Mark Cutifani, CEO, Anglo American● Githu Muigai, Attorney General, Kenya● Jasmine Whitbread, Non-Executive Director BT Group and Standard Chartered / former CEO, Save the Children International
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Session title	Using the business case for companies to respect human rights to drive change
Date	Tuesday 15 November
Time	13:20-14:40 (lunch-time session)
Room	XX
Moderator	Rachel Davis, Managing Director, Shift
Speakers	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Lord John Browne, Executive Chairman of L1 Energy● Christine Chow, Associate Director, Hermes Investment Management● Richard Howitt, CEO, International Integrated Reporting Council (IIRC)● Lou Munden, Founder, TMP Systems
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Session title	Embedding human rights within a company: strategies, challenges and successes
Date	Tuesday 15 November
Time	13:20-14:40 (lunch-time session)
Room	XXI
Moderator	Peter Nestor, Associate Director, Human Rights, BSR
Speakers	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Patrik Hiselius, Senior Advisor, Telia Company• Nicole Karlebach, Senior Legal Counsel, Business & Human Rights, Yahoo Inc.• Nili Safavi, Human Rights Specialist, BP
Organisers	BSR and Yahoo Inc.
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Session title	Business leadership on human rights in areas affected by conflict, political instability and social unrest
Date	Tuesday 15 November
Time	13:20-14:40 (lunch-time session)
Room	XXII
Moderator	Harriet Lamb, CEO, International Alert
Speakers	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Adam Brett, CEO, Tropical Wholefoods• Mark Cutifani, CEO, Anglo American
Organisers	International Alert
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Session title	How accountants can assure respect for human rights and be enablers for change
Date	Tuesday 15 November
Time	13:20-14:40 (lunch-time session)
Room	XXIII
Moderator	Claire Ighodaro, Board member and Audit Committee Chair of Lloyd's of London and of Flood Re
Speakers	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Paul Druckman, Chairman, Clear Insurance● Richard Karmel, Managing Partner at Mazars LLP and lead member of Reporting and Assurance Framework Initiative (RAFI)● Ian Peters, Chief Executive, Chartered Institute of Internal Auditors● Noel Tagoe, Executive Vice President - Academics, CIMA (Chartered Institute of Management Accountants)
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Session title	State regulatory approaches: the practice in emerging markets
Date	Tuesday 15 November
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Room	XXVII
Moderator	Surya Deva, UN Working Group on Business and Human Rights
Speakers	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Bhaskar Chatterjee, Director General & CEO of Indian Institute of Corporate Affairs● Solomon Dersso, Commissioner of the African Commission on Human and Peoples' Rights and chair of the Working Group on Extractive Industries in Africa● Saut P. Hutagalung, Adviser to the Minister of Marine Affairs and Fisheries of the Republic of Indonesia● Sun Lihui, Director of Liaison Department in China Chamber of Commerce of Metals Minerals and Chemicals Importers and Exporters (CCCMC)● Justine Nolan, Associate Professor at the University of NSW and Deputy Director of the Australian Human Rights Centre
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Session title	How can public financial institutions respond to new human rights expectations?
Date	Tuesday 15 November
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Room	XXII
Moderator	Rachel Davis, Managing Director, Shift
Speakers	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Kamil Zabielski, Head of Sustainability Team, Norwegian Export Credit Agency, GIEK/Export Credit Norway• Mark Eckstein, Director of Environmental and Social Responsibility, CDC, UK• David Simpson, Project Complaint Mechanism Office, European Bank for Reconstruction and Development• Geneviève Paul, Program Officer, Above Ground, Canada
Organisers	Shift
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Session title	Using leverage to forge leadership: indigenous peoples’ rights in business operations
Date	Tuesday 15 November
Time	15:00-16:20
Room	XX
Moderator	Joan Carling, Secretary General, Asia Indigenous Peoples Pact (AIPP)
Speakers	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Pavel Sulyandziga, Chair of UN Working Group on business and human rights● Hector Jaime Vinasco, Resguardo Cañamomo Lomaprieta, Colombia● Joseph Ole Kaunga, IMPACT, Kenya● Jannie Lasimbang, Indigenous Peoples Network of Malaysia (JOAS), Malaysia● Varvara Korkina, indigenous rights activist, Russia, and program coordinator, ARCTICenter, University of Northern Iowa, USA
Organisers	AIPP, FPP, IWGIA, Tebtebba and LAHURNIP
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Session title	Direct linkage and leverage: practical experiences and lessons for the future
Date	Tuesday 15 November
Time	15:00-16:20
Room	XXI
Moderator	Catie Shavin, Director, Global Business Initiative on Human Rights
Speakers	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Jay Celorie, Global Program Manager, HP Inc.• Judy Beals, Director, Oxfam America• Gerald Pachoud, Managing Partner, Pluto Advisory and former advisor to the former Special Representative on Business and Human Rights
Organisers	Global Business Initiative on Human Rights
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Session title	Practical leverage of law: Do corporate group structures preclude liability for human rights impacts?
Date	Tuesday 15 November
Time	15:00-16:20
Room	XXIII
Moderator	Robert McCorquodale, Director, British Institute of International and Comparative Law (BIICL)
Speakers	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Gwynne Skinner, Willamette University / Gabriela Quijano, Amnesty International● Robin Brooks, Partner, Norton Rose Fulbright LLP● Ricardo Cortes-Monroy, Chief Legal Officer and Group General Counsel, Nestlé● Maarten Scholten, Senior Vice-President, General Counsel, Total
Organisers	BIICL and Norton Rose Fulbright LLP
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Session title	Access to remedy: victims' perspectives in cross-border cases
Date	Tuesday 15 November
Time	16:40-18:00
Room	XX
Moderator	Surya Deva, UN Working Group on Business and Human Rights
Speakers	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Karamat Ali, Pakistan Institute for Labour Education and Research (PILER)● Aruna Chandrasekhar, Independent researcher● Richard Meeran, Partner, Leigh Day● Purarama Pradhan, Posco Pratirodh Sagram Samiti (PPSS)● Nazia Riaz, victim, Ali Factory fire (Pakistan) <p>Pre-recorded video interviews with affected community members (North Mara mine, Tanzania; Bodo community, Nigeria). Comments from the floor: RAID and others to be confirmed</p>
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Session title	Corruption: the business of violating human rights
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Room	XXII
Moderator	Anita Ramasastry, UN Working Group on Business and Human Rights
Speakers	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Sara Blackwell, Legal and Policy Coordinator, International Corporate Accountability Roundtable (ICAR)• Malin Helgesen, Legal Counsel, Statoil ASA• Shauna Leven, Director of Anti-Corruption Campaigns, Global Witness
Organisers	International Corporate Accountability Roundtable (ICAR) and Global Witness
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Session title	Eradicating worker-paid recruitment fees
Date	Tuesday 15 November
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Room	XXVII
Moderator	John Morrison, Chief Executive, Institute for Human Rights and Business
Speakers	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Sarah Fox, Special Representative for International Labor Affairs, U.S. Department of State● Simon Henzell-Thomas, Sustainability Policy Manager & Head of Stakeholder Engagement, Inter IKEA Group● Louise Nicholls, Head of Responsible Sourcing Packaging & Plan A, Marks and Spencer● David Schilling, Director, Global Corporate Accountability, Interfaith Center on Corporate Responsibility (ICCR)
Organisers	Institute for Human Rights and Business and U.S. Department of State
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Session title	Ending business relationships: exploring disengagement in human rights due diligence
Date	Tuesday 15 November
Time	16:40-18:00
Room	XXI
Moderator	Joseph Wilde-Ramsing, Senior Researcher, Centre for Research on Multinational Corporations (SOMO)
Speakers	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Clare Iery, Associate General Counsel, Procter & Gamble• Khalil Benchekroun, Purchasing Associate Director, MEA region, Procter & Gamble• Aslam Mehdi, CEO, Bulleh Shah Pakistan Discussants: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Rachel Davis, Managing Director, Shift• Joris Oldenziel, Head of Public Affairs and Stakeholder Engagement, Accord on Fire and Building Safety in Bangladesh• Dwight Justice, trade unionist
Organisers	Pax, Shift and SOMO
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Session title	How lawyers can help companies to better identify and respond to human rights issues
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Time	16:40-18:00
Room	XXIII
Moderator	Nicole Bigby, Partner & Director of Risk, Berwin Leighton Paisner LLP
Speakers	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Heikki Cantell, Secretary General & General Counsel, the Nordic Investment Bank● Adebola Ogunlade, Legal Counsel in Human Rights, Compliance and Social Responsibility, Total● Moira Oliver, Head of Policy & Chief Counsel, Human/Digital Rights, British Telecommunications Plc● Martijn Scheltema, Partner, Pels Rijcken
Organisers	This session has been organised by OHCHR with support from the American Bar Association, Berwin Leighton Paisner LLP, Clifford Chance LLP, Enodo Rights, the International Bar Association, TriponeL Consulting and Vanessa Zimmerman.
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Session title	Government procurement: emerging practice in the apparel and electronics sectors
Date	Wednesday 16 November
Time	08:20-09:40
Room	XXII
Moderator	Robert Stumberg, Director, Harrison Institute for Public Law
Speakers	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Katherine Schwenn, City of Madison, Wisconsin, USA● Leslie Johnston, Executive Director, C&A Foundation● Pauline Gothberg, National Coordinator, Swedish County Councils● Marcel Jacobs, Director of Supplier Sustainability, Philips Commentators: <ul style="list-style-type: none">● Björn Claeson, Director, Electronics Watch● Kevin Funk, Senior Advisor, U.S. General Services Administration
Organisers	Harrison Institute for Public Law, Georgetown University, ICAR, Electronics Watch and Danish Institute for Human Rights
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Session title	New models for access to State-based non-judicial remedy
Date	Wednesday 16 November
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Room	XX
Moderator	Anita Ramasastry, UN Working Group on Business and Human Rights
Speakers	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Jackie Blue, Equal Employment Opportunities Commissioner, Human Rights Commission of New Zealand● Horacio Guido, Chief of the Application of Standards Branch of the International Labour Standards Department, ILO● Geneviève Paul, Program Officer, Above Ground● Joseph Wilde-Ramsing, Senior Researcher, SOMO & Coordinator, OECD Watch network Commentator: <ul style="list-style-type: none">● Lene Wendland, Advisor on Business & Human Rights, OHCHR
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Session title	Access to remedy: the challenges and opportunities of operational-level grievance mechanisms
Date	Wednesday 16 November
Time	08:20-09:40
Room	XXVII
Moderator	Surya Deva, UN Working Group on Business and Human Rights
Speakers	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Jaume Corbella, Community relations and human rights advisor, Repsol• Dame Carol Kidu, former member of Parliament, Papua New Guinea• Sarah Knuckey, Lief Cabraser Associate Clinical Professor of Law, Columbia Law School• Anupama Mohan, Advisor Sustainability, Statoil <p>Pre-recorded video interview with affected community member (Porgera, Papua New Guinea). Comments from the floor: Barrick Niugini Ltd and MiningWatch Canada.</p>
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Session title	Commitment to practice: Using the UNGPs as a launch pad for responsible land-based investments
Date	Wednesday 16 November
Time	08:20-09:40
Room	XXI
Moderator	David Bledsoe, Sr. Director, Corporate Partnerships, Landesa
Speakers	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Joan Carling, Secretary-General, Asia Indigenous Peoples Pact• Kate Mathias, Group Development Consultant, Illovo Sugar Limited• Simon Usher, Chief Executive, Bonsucro• Brent Wilton, Director of Global Workplace Rights, The Coca-Cola Company
Organisers	Landesa
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Session title	Securing respect for human rights in the global transition to renewable energy
Date	Wednesday 16 November
Time	08:20-09:40
Room	XXIII
Moderator	Phil Bloomer, Executive Director, Business & Human Rights Resource Centre
Speakers	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Albert Barume, UN Expert Mechanism on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples• France Bourgoïn, Head of Responsible Sourcing• Jelena Stamenkova van Rumpt, Responsible Investment Advisor, PGGM Investments• Victoria Tauli-Corpuz, UN Special Rapporteur on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples
Organisers	Danish Institute for Human Rights and DONG Energy
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Session title	Public procurement, human rights and sustainable development: the need for policy coherence
Date	Wednesday 16 November
Time	10:00-11:20
Room	XXII
Moderator	Dante Pesce, UN Working Group on Business and Human Rights
Speakers	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Trinidad Inostroza, Chile Compra Chile Compra; President, Inter-American Network for Government Procurement• Amol Mehra, Director, ICAR• Caroline Nicholas, Senior Legal Officer, International Trade Law Division, UNCITRAL• Geo Quinot, Stellenbosch University, South Africa; Director, African Public Procurement Research Group
Organisers	International Learning Lab on Public Procurement and Human Rights (Danish Institute for Human Rights, ICAR, Georgetown University)
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Session title	Access to remedy: implementing OHCHR's recommendations to address barriers to judicial remedy
Date	Wednesday 16 November
Time	10:00-11:20
Room	XXI
Moderator	Peggy Hicks, Director of the Thematic Engagement, Special Procedures and Right to Development Division, OHCHR
Speakers	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Kees van Baar, Human Rights Ambassador of the Kingdom of the Netherlands• Githu Muigai, Attorney General, Republic of Kenya• Ximena Ramos from Mexican Center for Environmental Law (CEMDA)• Christopher Schuller, Legal Adviser on Business and Human Rights at the German Institute for Human Rights• Lene Wendland, Adviser on Business & Human Rights, OHCHR
Organisers	OHCHR
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Session title	How many more killings & threats? Solutions to protect human rights defenders working on extractives in Latin America
Date	Wednesday 16 November
Time	10:00-11:20
Room	XX
Moderator	Phil Bloomer, Director, Business & Human Rights Resource Centre
Speakers	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Keynote speaker: Laura Zuniga Cáceres, daughter of Berta Cáceres• Heloisa Covolan, Social Responsibility Coordinator at Itaipu Binacional and Vice President of Global Compact Brazil Network• Rémy Friedmann, Senior Advisor - Desk Human Security and Business, Swiss Federal Department of Foreign Affairs• Omar Jeronimo, coordinator of the Nuevo Dia Ch'orti Indigenous Association, Guatemala• Ben Leather, Campaigner, Global Witness
Organisers	Platform against Impunity, Front Line Defenders, Global Witness, Peace Brigades International, International Service for Human Rights and Business and Human Rights Resource Centre
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Session title	Leadership & leverage across the supply chain: perspective of suppliers, retailers and unions
Date	Wednesday 16 November
Time	10:00-11:20
Room	XXIII
Moderator	Peter McAllister, Executive Director, ETI
Speakers	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Charlie Bradshaw, CEO Matrix APA• Jenny Holdcroft, Assistant General Secretary, IndustriALL• Katherine Stewart, Ethical Trade and Environmental Sustainability Director, Primark• Subathra Vaidhiyanathan, Senior CSR Manager, New look (tbc)
Organisers	Ethical Trading Initiative (ETI)
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Session title	The role of local industry associations to drive respect for human rights: focus on Asia, Africa and Latin America
Date	Wednesday 16 November
Time	10:00-11:20
Room	XXVII
Moderator	Mthunzi Mdwaba, CEO of Tzoro IBC and Regional Vice-President (Africa) of the International Organisation of Employers
Speakers	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Carolina Hoyl, Centro Vincular-PUVC● Hiroshi Ishida, Executive Director, Caux Round Table Japan● Xiaohui Liang, Chief Researcher at the Office for Social Responsibility at China National Textile & Apparel Council● Thomas Thomas, CEO of the ASEAN CSR Network
Organisers	Centro Vincular
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Session title	National action plans to implement the UNGPs: stepping up Government commitments and action
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Time	11:40-13:00
Room	XX
Moderator	Michael K. Addo, UN Working Group on Business and Human Rights
Speakers	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Paula Gaviria Betancur, Presidential Adviser on Human Rights, Government of Colombia● Githu Muigai, Attorney General, Republic of Kenya● Lee Sung-ho, Chairperson, The National Human Rights Commission of Korea <p>Government statements from the floor will include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">● Stephen Lowe, Team Leader, Equality & Human Rights, Foreign & Commonwealth Office, UK● Albachir Macassar, Director in the National Directorate of Human Rights and Citizenship, Ministry of Justice, Mozambique● Fabrizio Petri, President of the Italian Inter-ministerial Committee for Human Rights (CIDU)● Geneviève Van Rossum, Ambassador of Bioethics and Corporate Social Responsibility, France● Ricardo Sepúlveda Iguiniz, Director General of Public Human Rights Policy, Ministry of Interior, Mexico● Special Envoy for Responsible Business Janis Bjørn Kanavin, Norway● Finland● Greece● Japan● Poland● United States of America <p>Statements by other stakeholders:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">● Fernanda Hopenhaym, PODER Mexico (on behalf of a group of civil society organizations)● Katryn Wright, Director, Global Business Initiative on Human Rights● Sara Sekkenes, UNDP● EU
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Session title	Practicing responsible business in occupied territories : the role of companies & investors
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Room	XXII
Moderator	Sarah Saadoun, Business and Human Rights, Human Rights Watch
Speakers	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Dalit Baum, Director of Economic Activism, American Friends Service Committee & Co-Founder of Who Profits from the Occupation• Annie Bersagel, Advisor on Responsible Investments, KLP (Norwegian life insurance company & pension fund)• Marya Farah, Legal Research and Advocacy Officer, Al-Haq• Erik Hagen, Board Member, Western Sahara Resource Watch• Peter Webster, CEO, EIRIS Foundation
Organisers	Human Rights Watch
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Session title	How companies can advocate for the protection of human rights defenders and broader fundamental freedoms
Date	Wednesday 16 November
Time	11:40-13:00
Room	XXI
Moderator	Kees van Baar, Human Rights Ambassador, The Govt. of the Netherlands
Speakers	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Sarah Brooks, Programme Manager and Advocate, International Service for Human Rights● Daniel D'Ambrosio, Associate, International Business & Human Rights, DLA Piper● Lea Rankinen, Senior Vice President, Sustainability and Corporate Responsibility, S Group● Jochanan Senf, EU Director, Ben & Jerry's● Matthias Stausberg, Group Advocacy Director, Virgin Management Limited
Organisers	Business & Human Rights Resource Centre, Government of the Netherlands, International Service for Human Rights, OHCHR and UN Global Compact
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Session title	Beans: adapting commercial practices and enhancing lives in perishable supply chains
Date	Wednesday 16 November
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Room	XXIII
Moderator	Christine Kaufmann, Centre for Human Rights, University of Zurich
Speakers	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Helen McTaggart, Ethical Trading Manager (Foods) Marks & Spencer Plc● Dickson Kimathi, Field Technical / Agronomy Manager, Flamingo Horticulture● Mary Kambo, Labour rights adviser, Economic and Social Justice (ESJ) Programme, Kenya Human Rights Commission● Fiona Gooch, Senior Policy Adviser, Traidcraft
Organisers	Traidcraft, Marks & Spencer, Flamingo and Kenya Human Rights Commission
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Session title	Soda giants, land & good practice: lessons from a land conflict in Brazil
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Time	11:40-13:00
Room	XXVII
Moderator	Irit Tamir, Advocacy Manager, Oxfam
Speakers	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Renata Albuquerque, Comissão Pastoral da Terra• Andrew Slight, Director, Global Public Policy and Government Affairs, PepsiCo• Brent Wilton, Director, Global Workplace Rights, The Coca-Cola Company
Organisers	Oxfam
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Session title	Human rights & model clauses between government security forces and companies
Date	Wednesday 16 November
Time	13:20-14:40 (lunch-time session)
Room	XXII
Moderator	Rosemary McCarney, Ambassador, Permanent Mission of Canada to the United Nations in Geneva
Speakers	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Jo Gacheru, Security and Human Rights, Shell● Helen Simpson, Global Voluntary Principles Advisor for Security and Human Rights, BP● Jason Pielemeier, Special Advisor, Bureau of Democracy, Human Rights, and Labor, U.S. Department of State● Egbert Wesselink, Senior Advisor, PAX
Organisers	The Voluntary Principles on Security and Human Rights Initiative
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Session title	Update on the treaty process
Date	Wednesday 16 November
Time	13:20-14:40 (lunch-time session)
Room	XXI
Moderator	Luis Espinosa Salas, Permanent Mission of Ecuador
Speakers	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Michael Congiu, Littler Mendelson• Richard Meeran, Leigh Day• Nomonde Nyembe, Centre for Applied Legal Studies (CALS)• Sandra Ratjen, Franciscans International
Organisers	Permanent Mission of Ecuador
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Session title	Redefining leadership: embedding human rights in management education
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Room	XXIII
Moderator	Florian Wettstein, Professor, University of St. Gallen
Speakers	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Dorothee Baumann-Pauly, Research Director, Center for Business and Human Rights, NYU Stern School of Business● Dan Bross, Executive Director, Microsoft Technology and Human Rights Center● Faris Natour, Director, Human Rights and Business Initiative, UC Berkeley Haas School of Business● Ron Popper, former Head of Corporate Responsibility, ABB
Organisers	Business and Human Rights Journal, Human Rights and Business Initiative at the Center for Responsible Business, UC Berkeley Haas School of Business, NYU Stern Center for Business and Human Rights and Microsoft Technology and Human Rights Center
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Session title	Implementing the corporate responsibility to respect around the world: lessons learned
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Room	XXVII
Moderator	Luke Wilde, CEO, twentyfifty ltd
Speakers	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Giulia Genuardi, Head of Sustainability Planning and Performance Management, Enel• Rodrigo Serrat, Director of Corporate Social Responsibility, Aeromexico Group• Frederike Stikkelbroeck, Senior Legal Counsel, AkzoNobel• Minako Suzuki, Corporate Citizenship Office, Sumitomo Riko Company Limited
Organisers	UN Global Compact, Global Compact Local Networks Germany, Italy, Mexico, Netherlands, and Japan
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Session title	Supporting SMEs to meet their responsibility to respect human rights
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Room	XX
Moderator	Michael Addo, UN Working Group on Business and Human Rights
Speakers	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Grant Belchamber, Workers` Spokesperson in the ILC SME discussion● Linda Kromjong, Secretary General, IOE● Mthunzi Mdwaba, CEO of Tzoro IBC and Regional Vice-President (Africa) of the International Organisation of Employers● Vic Van Vuuren, Director, ILO Enterprises Department
Organisers	IOE, ILO and UN Working Group on Business and Human Rights
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Session title	State regulatory approaches : the trend toward mandatory human rights due diligence and reporting across sectors
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Room	XXII
Moderator	Anita Ramasastry, UN Working Group on Business and Human Rights
Speakers	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Jerome Bellion-Jourdan, Policy Officer, EU Delegation in Geneva• René Lefeber, University of Amsterdam, formerly Chair, Council of Europe CDDH-CORP• Stephen Lowe, Team leader, Equality & Democracy, Foreign & Commonwealth Office, UK• Violaine Du Pontavice, Executive Director, EY Société d'avocats• Rachel Phillips Rigby, Deputy Chief, Office of Child Labor, Forced Labor, and Human Trafficking, Bureau of International Labor Affairs, US Department of Labor
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Session title	Making consultations with indigenous peoples work: how to overcome the lack of national capacities
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Room	XXI
Moderator	Manuela Tomei, Director, Conditions of Work and Equality Department , ILO
Speakers	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Geyner Blanco Acosta, Adviser on Indigenous Affairs, Office of President, Government of Costa Rica• Gloria Esperanza López Corea, Red de Mujeres Indígenas y Afrohondureñas, Honduras• Diana Chávez, Director, UN Global Compact Regional Centre for Latin America• Raquel Gonzalez, Director, Geneva Office, International Trade Union Confederation• Roberto Suarez, Deputy, Secretary-General, International Organization of Employers• Pavel Sulyandziga, Chair of UN Working Group on Business and Human Rights
Organisers	ILO
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Session title	Leadership, leverage and the special challenges of Big Data
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Time	15:00-16:20
Room	XXIII
Moderator	John Morrison, Chief Executive, Institute for Human Rights and Business
Speakers	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Sheldon Leader, University of Essex, Director Essex Business and Human Rights Project and member Human Rights, Big Data and Technology Project, Essex Centre for Human Rights• Alice Priddy, Researcher, Geneva Academy of International Humanitarian Law and Human Rights• Margaret Purdasy, Legal counsellor, UK Mission to the UN and Other International Organizations, Geneva• Bernard Shen, Assistant General Counsel, Microsoft
Organisers	University of Essex, Human Rights Centre (Human Rights, Big Data and Technology Project/Essex Business and Human Rights Project), Institute for Human Rights and Business, Geneva Academy of International Humanitarian Law and Human Rights
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Session title	Advancing national action plans : “Global South” civil society perspectives
Date	Wednesday 16 November
Time	15:00-16:20
Room	XXVII
Moderator	Dante Pesce, UN Working Group on Business and Human Rights
Speakers	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Anselmo Lee, Executive Director. Korea Human Rights Foundation● Stella Wangechi, Kenya National Commission on Human Rights● Elena Villafuete, ProDESC● Michael Ineichen, Programme Manager and Human Rights Council Advocacy Director, International Service for Human Rights
Organisers	Alternative ASEAN Network on Burma (ALTSEAN-Burma); Danish Institute for Human Rights (DIHR); International Corporate Accountability Roundtable (ICAR); International Service for Human Rights (ISHR); Project on Development, Organization and Research (PODER)
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Session title	Plenary III Summing up and looking ahead to 2017 and beyond
Date	Wednesday 16 November
Time	16:40-18:00
Room	Room XX
Moderator	Dante Pesce, UN Working Group on Business and Human Rights
Speakers	Moderated panel: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Laura Caceres, COPINH• Albachir Macassar, National Director for Human Rights and Citizenship, Ministry of Justice, Constitutional and Religious Affairs, Mozambique• Amol Mehra, Director, ICAR• Cristina Tébar Less, Head, Responsible Business Conduct (RBC) Unit, OECD• Vanessa Zimmerman, Business and human rights specialist, former Legal Advisor to the UN Special Representative of the Secretary-General on business and human rights Closing remarks: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Chair of 2016 Forum• Chair of UN Working Group on Business & Human Rights
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Monday 14 November - Lunch	13:00 – Sandwich lunch by Room XX (balcony) <i>Sponsored by the EU Delegation, Microsoft, Mark & Spencer, Yahoo Inc.</i>
Monday 14 November – Sessions with refreshments for participants	<u>Benchmarking: leveraging transparency to drive business respect for human rights in supply chains</u> 08:00 @ Room XXIII - <i>Sponsored by Humanity United</i> <u>Thematic event followed by drinks reception: SDGs and the rights of indigenous peoples</u> 18:15 @ Room XXVII – <i>Sponsored by Gáldu – Resource centre for the rights of Indigenous peoples</i>
Tuesday 15 November - AM	08:00-09:00 – Networking tea/coffee by Room XX (balcony) <i>Sponsored by The Coca-Cola Company and Microsoft</i>
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Wednesday 16 November – Sessions with refreshments for participants	<u>Challenges and opportunities of operational-level grievance mechanisms</u> 08:00 @ Room XXVII – <i>Sponsored by RAID</i> <u>Human rights & model clauses between Government security forces and companies</u> 13:00 @ Room XXII – <i>Sponsored by the Voluntary Principles Initiative</i>