



2016 United Nations Forum on
Business and Human Rights
Geneva · 14 – 16 November



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

Join more than 2,000 senior representatives and experts from Government, business, community groups and civil society at the biggest global conference on business and human rights!



- **Network** with diverse stakeholders
- **Discuss** salient business-related human rights issues
- **Share** experiences in implementing the UN Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights
- **Learn** about developments in regulation, human rights due diligence, stakeholder engagement, & access to remedy

Confirmed plenary speakers (so far)

- Luis Almagro - Secretary General, Organization of American States
- Gillian Caldwell - CEO, Global Witness
- Mark Cutifani - CEO, Anglo American
- Sara Hossein - Bangladesh Legal Aid and Services Trust
- Zeid Ra'ad Al Hussein - UN High Commissioner for Human Rights
- John Ruggie - former UN Special Representative on business and human rights
- Johann N. Schneider-Ammann - President of the Swiss Confederation
- Jasmine Whitbread, Non-Executive Director BT Group / former CEO, Save the Children International
- Mark Wilson - CEO, Aviva

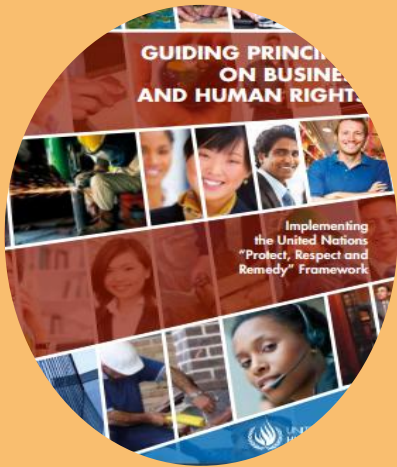


“ There is no question in my mind that human rights is a material issue for companies in many sectors. I find attending the Forum a fantastic way to keep abreast of the leading thinking, government policy and corporate practice.”

Steve Waygood, Chief Responsible Investment Officer, Aviva

“ The Forum provides a platform for dialogue among different actors. This enhances trust among them as they chart a way forward in addressing the challenges and opportunities in this field.”

Reinford Mwagonde, Executive Director, Citizens for Justice-Malawi



Take part in 60+ sessions on topics that relate to the UN Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights. The 2016 Forum, guided by the UN Working Group on Business and Human Rights, will look more closely at:

Business leadership and leverage:

- Respecting human rights at the core of companies' contribution to the Global Goals/SDGs
- Embedding human rights decision-making within the company & throughout its operations
- Understanding "direct linkage" and deciding whether and how to end business relationships
- Combating discrimination against women, LGBTI persons and persons with disability
- Tackling human trafficking and working toward living wages in supply chains
- Engaging meaningfully with communities, indigenous peoples and human rights defenders
- Respecting human rights in land investments

Money, markets & financial institutions:

- The connection between human rights and the world of finance
- The "business case" for respecting human rights
- The roles and responsibilities of banks, investors, insurers, corporate lawyers and accountants
- Tax and illicit capital flows
- Human rights implications of corruption

State leadership and leverage:

- Due diligence regulations
- National action plans
- Access to remedy for victims
- State-owned enterprises
- Public financial institutions
- Public procurement
- Trade and investment



“ The UN Forum allows Microsoft to engage with affected communities, policy makers and human rights experts on complex issues in a constructive manner.”

Dan Bross, Sr. Director,
Business and Corporate Responsibility, Microsoft

“ The Forum discussions ensure that Governments and companies hear the voice of indigenous peoples and better understand their plight. It allows us to engage with the business sector and build important networks.”

Joan Carling, Secretary General of the Asia Indigenous Peoples Pact
Expert member, UN Forum on Indigenous Peoples Issues