REGISTRATION AND AGENDA AVAILABLE

Project launch: Business and human rights – towards a decade of global implementation

Virtual launch event - 7 July 2020 from 15:00-18:00 CEST

Convened by the UN Working Group on Business and Human Rights in cooperation with the German Federal Foreign Office (co-host)

The UN Working Group on Business and Human Rights is launching the new project “Business and human rights – towards a decade of global implementation” (UNGPs10+/NextdecadeBHR), to chart a course for a decade of action on business and human rights.

This event, which marks the official launch of the project, is convened by the UN Working Group and co-hosted by the German Federal Foreign Office.

The agenda is now available. Registration is essential: Please register here.

The event will be live-streamed on this website on 7 July from 15:00 CEST: ungps10plus.org

The event offers a virtual global multi-stakeholder platform to discuss motivations and expectations for “UNGPs10+/NextdecadeBHR”.

Speakers include: German Foreign Minister H. Maas, UN Human Rights High Commissioner M. Bachelet, European Commissioner for Justice D. Reynders, Prof. J. Ruggie, UN Working Group Chair A. Ramasastry and Vice Chair D. Pesce – and many more acknowledged speakers from government, business, civil society, UN and international organizations, including M. Mdwaba (International Organisation of Employers), S. Burrow (International Trade Union Confederation), S. Ojiambo (UN Global Compact), F. Reynolds (Principles for Responsible Investment) and J. Carling (Indigenous Peoples Major Group for Sustainable Development).

Since 2011, the UN Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights: Implementing the UN “Protect, Respect and Remedy” Framework (UNGPs) have become the global standard for governments and businesses for preventing and addressing business-related human rights abuses. The project will develop an ambitious vision and roadmap for implementing the UNGPs more widely and more broadly in the next ten years – and beyond! The event and the project also aim at connecting the UNGPs with responses to the ongoing COVID-19 crisis as well as to longer-term threats to sustainable development, including the climate emergency.

The project is supported by the German Government, also within the framework of its 2020 Presidency of the Council of the European Union, among other governments and partners.

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