

STATUS AND PERSPECTIVES ON MANDATORY HUMAN RIGHTS DUE DILIGENCE LEGISLATION IN THE NORDICS

In several Nordic countries, stakeholder dialogues, coalitions, consultations and policy processes currently focus on the case for and design of mandatory human rights due diligence legislation. This online roundtable that takes stock of developments at the national level in Nordic countries and explores potential Nordic perspectives on the current EU legislative process.

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PROGRAMME

9.00 - 9.05

WELCOME

Permanent Representative of Denmark to the UN in Geneva, Amb. Morten Jespersen

9.05 - 9.15

KEYNOTE

Anita Ramasastry, Member, UN Working Group on Business and Human Rights & Professor of Law, University of Washington School of Law.

9.15 – 9.30

SNAPSHOT ON ESTABLISHMENT OF A ‘SMART MIX’ OF MEASURES ON BUSINESS AND HUMAN RIGHTS IN THE NORDICS

Gabrielle Holly, Senior advisor, Danish Institute for Human Rights (DIHR)

9.30 – 10.15

COUNTRY LEVEL EXCHANGE ON THE SMART MIX – NATIONAL AND EU LEVEL

moderation by Elin Wrzoncki, Director Business and Human Rights, DIHR

- Finland – Kent Wilska, Commercial Counsellor, Ministry of Foreign Affairs
- Sweden – Mikael Ståhl, Deputy Director, Ministry of Foreign Affairs
- Denmark – Mette Schiøtz Sørensen, Senior advisor, Danish Business Authority
- Norway (TBC)
- Respondent - EU and Nordic perspective - Heidi Hautala, Member of European Parliament, The Greens

10.15 – 10.55

NON-STATE PERSPECTIVES ON NORDIC SMART MIX DEVELOPMENTS

moderation by Jonas Nøddekær, International Director, DanChurchAid

- Cambodia Centre for Human Rights (speaker TBC)
- Emily Crawford, Vestas Wind Systems and Chrisanne Kouzas, Neste Group, Nordic business Network on Human Rights members
- Beate Ekeløve-Slydal, Political Advisor, Amnesty Norway
- Gry Saul, International consultant, Confederation of Danish Industries
- Anu Kultalahti, Researcher, Finnwatch
- Peter Ahrenfeldt Schrøder, Policy Advisor, Danish Trade Union Confederation

10.55 – 11.00

CLOSING PERSPECTIVES

Elin Wrzoncki, Human Rights and Business Director, DIHR
& Jonas Nøddekær, International Director, DanChurchAid