



Unpacking mandatory Human Rights Due Diligence developments in Europe

- *What mHRDD means in different legal contexts and how civil society can advocate for it -*

Webinar Series

Background

The governance and regulation of business operations across Europe vary concerning the political approach as well as the legal framework. Consequently, there are also many ways towards mandatory Human Rights Due Diligence (mHRDD). This context makes advocacy for civil society organisations a challenging task, as it requires diverse legal and practical expertise. At the same time, NGOs have accumulated a lot of experience working on the different initiatives to embed HRDD into law across Europe.

ECCJ, Amnesty International, Anti-Slavery International and CIDSE are organising a series of webinars with the goal of providing a platform where these vast experience and expertise can be shared.

Content

The series will begin with five sessions focused on five case-studies, namely the French Duty of Vigilance Law; the Swiss Responsible Business Initiative; the Dutch Child Labour Due Diligence Bill; the German proposal for a Human Rights Due Diligence Act, and the EU Conflict Minerals Regulation. Each session will look at the legal approach chosen, the scope of obligations, and their enforcement. These sessions' goal is to facilitate a common understanding of the different ways in which mandatory HRDD or parent company liability can be embedded into different legal systems.

A second round of three sessions will focus on tactical aspects of advocacy and campaigning work, including advocacy and lobby strategies; network development and multi-stakeholder engagement, and public campaign.

Calendar

Webinars will take place on Thursdays, from 12:30 to 14:00h. Dates of legal webinars are:

12 April 2018: Session 1 - **France: Duty of Vigilance Law.** Presented by Tiphaine Beau de Loméine, Legal Advisor Globalization and Human Rights, [Sherpa](#), France.

3 May 2018: Session 2 - **Switzerland: Responsible Business Initiative (RBI)**

24 May 2018: Session 3 - **The Netherlands: Child Labour due Diligence Law**

14 June 2018: Session 4 - **EU: Conflict Minerals Regulation**

5 July 2018: Session 5 - **Germany: proposal for Human Rights Due Diligence Act by German NGOs**

- Call-in details and other practical information, including speakers' information, will be shared close to the sessions' date.

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