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Human rights: an increasing focus for companies

Human rights issues are an increasingly important factor for multinationals operating in the consumer and retail sectors, and many businesses have committed to apply the UN guiding principles on business and human rights adopted in 2011 and to address human rights issues in their supply chain due diligence.

But what does compliance with the UN Guiding Principles mean in practice? What is the best practice approach to implementation, and how can you assess your key risk areas and best mitigants? What other soft law and more traditional requirements and case law should you be aware of?

Welcome to a seminar where we will take a practical look at human rights issues in a business context, including how to:

- > assess to what extent your existing policies, procedures and practices already cover human rights issues and where the gaps are
- > identify key areas of risk in your business
- > develop a due diligence process for existing activities, suppliers and business relationships
- > identify when you need to do a human rights impact assessments and how to integrate human rights risk assessment into business processes

Speakers

Vanessa Havard-Williams (Partner) is the leader of Linklaters' global environmental and climate change practice and the co-leader of our Operational Intelligence Group. Her practice encompasses governance, risk, transparency and sustainability issues, as well as transactional and contentious sustainability advice. Vanessa is an expert on international soft law standards. She also advises organisations on good governance frameworks, human rights and the management of environmental and social risks.

Rachel Barrett (Managing Associate) is a Managing Associate in Linklaters' environmental and climate change practice and Operational Intelligence Group. She has extensive experience advising clients on environmental, social and sustainability issues, and has particular expertise in the energy sector. She also advises businesses on governance, compliance and risk

management frameworks, including those addressing environmental, social and human rights issues.

When

Thursday 24 September 2015 at 08:00-09:00 (breakfast is served from 07:45)

Venue

Linklaters, Regeringsgatan 67, Stockholm

Registration

Please email linklatersstockholm@linklaters.com to register for the seminar. Registration deadline date 21 September 2015.