



Operationalising the OECD Guidelines for Multinational Enterprises

Digital Masterclass – Asser Institute
25-27 October

Programme

Monday 25 October 2021 – The OECD Guidelines for Multinational Enterprises: A Comprehensive Overview

The first day of our Masterclass on Operationalising the OECD Guidelines for Multinational Enterprises will provide a comprehensive overview of the Guidelines aimed at equipping the participants with a solid background knowledge on them. To do so, we will travel through the history of the Guidelines, their content, and their implementation processes.

12:30 – 13:00	Opening and Housekeeping
13:00 - 14:00	The Past and the Future of the OECD Guidelines <i>Dr Antoine Duval (Asser Institute)</i>
14:00 – 14:15	Coffee Break
14:15 - 15:15	The Content of the OECD Guidelines <i>Dr Antoine Duval (Asser Institute)</i>
15:15 - 15:30	Coffee Break
15:30 - 16:30	The Implementation Mechanisms of the OECD Guidelines <i>Dr Antoine Duval (Asser Institute)</i>
16:30	All You Can Ask with Dr Antoine Duval (Asser Institute)

Tuesday 26 October 2021 – The Turn to Due Diligence in the OECD Guidelines

The second day of the Masterclass is dedicated to the turn to due diligence taken by the Guidelines in 2011. In particular, as due diligence became the central pillar around which the operationalisation of the Guidelines is structured, the OECD has developed important normative guidance to define and refine what it expects in terms of due diligence both in general and at the sectoral level.

13:00 - 14:00	The OECD Due Diligence Guidance for Responsible Business Conduct <i>Dr Antoine Duval (Asser Institute)</i>
14:00 - 14:15	Coffee Break
14:15 - 15:15	The OECD and Due Diligence in the Extractive and Minerals Sector <i>Rashad Abelson (OECD)</i>
15:15 - 15:30	Coffee Break
15:30 - 16:30	The OECD and Due Diligence in the Garment and Footwear Sector <i>Dorothy Lovell (OECD)</i>
16:30	All You Can Ask with Dr Antoine Duval (Asser Institute)

Wednesday 27 October 2021 – Implementing the OECD Guidelines through the National Contact Points

The final day of the masterclass will focus on the NCPs and their role in the implementation of the Guidelines. It aims to provide a hands-on understanding to the participants of the internal operation of an NCP and of the process followed to lodge an instance at an NCP.

13:00 - 14:00	The View from inside the Dutch NCP <i>Dutch NCP</i>
14:00 - 17:00	Workshop on Lodging a Claim at the NCPs <i>Marian Ingrams (OECD Watch)</i>
17:00 - 17:30	Feedback and Diploma

Speakers

Dr Antoine Duval



Antoine is a Senior Researcher at the Asser Institute and the coordinator of the *Doing Business Right* project focused on the transnational accountability of businesses for negative impacts on human rights and the environment linked to their activities. He has organized numerous trainings and events in the field of business and human rights.

Rashad Abelson

Rashad Abelson is a Legal Expert in the OECD Centre for Responsible Business Conduct. Relevant projects of his include monitoring of government implementation of OECD commitments, fostering law enforcement cooperation on minerals related crime, and exploring the linkages between technology and responsible business conduct.



Dorothy Lovell



Dorothy Lovell is a Policy Adviser in the Responsible Business Conduct team at the OECD, supporting the OECD's work on Due Diligence for Responsible Supply Chains in the Garment and Footwear Sector.

Dorothy is experienced in social and environmental risk assessment and due diligence across varied supply chain structures, and a range of social and environmental issues, including traceability and transparency, human rights, social impacts, animal welfare, upstream land use issues, restricted substances and manufacturing waste streams. At

the OECD she has contributed to reports on Blockchain and Responsible Supply Chains, and SMEs and Due Diligence, among others.

Marian Ingrams

Marian Ingrams specialises in helping individuals and communities achieve remedy for corporate human rights abuses through the OECD's non-judicial grievance mechanism. Marian coordinates the strategic and logistical activities of the OECD Watch network, advises complaints and appeals filed through National Contact Points. Marian also supports SOMO's Rights, Remedy and Accountability team through research and advocacy on other alternative dispute mechanisms.

