



**Business & Human Rights
Resource Centre**

Business and Human Rights Tools & Resources

Side Event at United Nations African Regional Forum on Business & Human Rights

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the United Nations Global Compact*

Overview

Working on business & human rights issues may be challenging at times but there are a number of resources that may help. Participants of this session will be provided with an overview of key business & human rights tools, which have been developed to help companies understand the corporate responsibility to respect human rights and to identify opportunities to support human rights.

The UN Global Compact will introduce participants to resources such as the interactive [Human Rights and Business Dilemmas Forum](#), the guide on [How to Develop a Human Rights Policy](#), and resources regarding specific stakeholder groups (Women's Empowerment Principles, Children's Rights and Business Principles and Business Reference Guide to the UN Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples).

The Business and Human Rights Resource Centre will present on tools that promote accountability and informed discourse to advance respect for human rights by businesses. They include the use of its company response process to promote dialogue between companies and civil society organizations, regular bulletins including regional briefings, '[Big Issues](#)' portals and [On the Horizon](#) bulletins to highlight upcoming initiatives on business and human rights from all regions. It will also demonstrate how businesses can use the website to highlight positive initiatives that support human rights.

Speakers

Joseph Kibugu, East Africa Researcher and Representative, Business and Human Rights Resource Centre
Shaffi Manafa, Contact Person, Global Compact Network Uganda
Judy Njino, Coordinator, Global Compact Network Kenya

Format

Following presentations, participants will have the opportunity to ask questions. The event is open to all participants of the UN African Regional Forum on Business & Human Rights and will be guided by principles of respect, equality, collaboration, and openness.

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