Human rights due diligence in supply chains and investment in Asia
– Multi-stakeholder and sector-wide approaches

Parallel session – Tuesday 19 April, 16:30-18:00

Asia has seen a range of multi-stakeholder models on human rights due diligence approaches over the recent years, but few targeted discussions that have brought these different models together. The Regional Forum provides an opportunity for joint learning and taking stock of, among other things:

1. What benefits can multi-stakeholder and sector-wide approaches to human rights due diligence bring (i.e. how can they address challenges for companies to carry out adequate human rights due diligence in the context of supply chains and investments)?
2. What makes such models successful in the Asian context?
3. What challenges have they faced, and how were they overcome?
4. How could they be replicated in/what lessons do they hold for new investment contexts in the region?

One ambition for the session is to identify lessons that can inform G7 and G20 commitments and declarations in 2016, as both processes are being coordinated in Asia this year.

Multi-stakeholder panel followed by discussion with the audience

- Keiichi Ushijima, EY Japan (moderator)
- Vicky Bowman, Myanmar Centre for Responsible Business
- Roel Nieuwenkamp, OECD
- Farooq Ahmed, Bangladesh Employers Federation
- Brent Wilton, The Coca-Cola Company