Session proposals

Stakeholder inputs are an important part of the Forum in line with its open and inclusive nature. Since the first edition in 2012, the Forum programme has featured a mix of parallel sessions organized by both the UN and external participating organizations.

The Working Group invites interested parties to submit session proposals linked to the Forum's overall theme for consideration.

The following criteria and aspects will be emphasized when reviewing proposals:

- Alignment with theme and topics of the 2019 Forum
- Gender balance in speaker line-up
- Multi-stakeholder collaboration in organization of the session and/or geographic balance
- Presentation of new commitments or lessons learned from innovative practice
- Case studies/examples of effective and innovative multi-stakeholder partnerships or collaboration (for example, company-NGO; company-community; company-trade union; company-NGO-government; industry or multi-company collaboration with NGOs) with a track record of, or credible potential for, supporting implementation of one or more of the three pillars of the Guiding Principles (State duty to protect; corporate responsibility to respect; access to remedy)
- Initiatives or models that involves credible accountability design, engagement of critical voices and empowerment of rights-holders
- Collaborative efforts to address "laggards"

In addition, proposals should involve interactive formats as well as solution-oriented discussions and outcomes.

The submission deadline is 3 May 2019. All proposals should be submitted via this online form. Due to the Forum Secretariat's limited capacity, only those whose proposals are being included will be contacted.