



SIDE EVENT - 30th session of the UN Human Rights Council

ENDING CONTEMPORARY FORMS OF SLAVERY IN SUPPLY CHAINS: CHALLENGES, STRATEGIES, OPPORTUNITIES AND THE 2030 AGENDA FOR SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT

Wednesday 16 September 2015, 12h00 – 14h00
Geneva, Palais des Nations, Conference Room XXI

This side event will assess the most **effective strategies** and recommend **concrete measures** for States, businesses and other stakeholders to prevent and eradicate contemporary forms of slavery from supply chains and to provide assistance and redress to victims. It will identify **key challenges** and **opportunities** in addressing slavery and slavery-like practices in supply chains, including in terms of the legal standards, policy measures, institutional framework, and implementation. The speakers will also discuss opportunities for contemporary forms of slavery eradication within the **2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development** framework.

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