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# Human Rights Obligations of Business

## Beyond the Corporate Responsibility to Respect?

Do the 'Respect, Protect, and Remedy Framework and the Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights adequately address the challenges concerning the human rights obligations of business? This book engages critically with these important developments. The chapters in this book revolve around four key issues: the process and methodology adopted; the source and justification of corporate human rights obligations: the nature and extent of such obligations; and the implementation and enforcement thereof. In addition to highlighting several shortcomings of the Framework and the Guiding Principles, the contributing authors also outline a vision for the twenty first century in which companies have obligations to society that go beyond the responsibility to respect human rights.

### Introductory Remarks:

**Michael Möller**, Acting Director-General of the United Nations Office at Geneva

### Speakers:

**Surya Deva**, Associate Professor, School of Law, City University of Hong Kong

**David Bilchitz**, Professor, Faculty of Law, University of Johannesburg

### Discussants:

**Tsholofelo Tsheole**, Counsellor, Permanent Mission of South Africa to the United Nations Office at Geneva

**Larry Catá Backer**, Professor of Law, School of Law, Pennsylvania State University

**Ian Seiderman**, Legal and Policy Director, International Commission of Jurists

### Moderator:

**Blandine Blukacz-Louisfert**, Officer-in-Charge, UNOG Library

### Closing Remarks:

**H.E. Mr Luis Gallegos Chiriboga**, Ambassador, Permanent Representative of Ecuador to the United Nations Office and other international organizations in Geneva

### Contributing Authors to *Human Right Obligations of Business*



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Beyond the Corporate Responsibility to Respect  
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**Monday**  
**2 December 2013**  
**16:30**

**Reception to Follow**

**Library Events Room**  
**(B-135)**  
**Building B, 1st Floor**

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