

Context

EU Commissioner for Justice Didier Reynders sent the clear signal that mandatory due diligence for companies is to be regulated at EU level. He called for new EU legislation on human rights and environmental due diligence throughout supply chains. The Commissioner said that corporate decision-making needs to promote sustainable business models and increase corporate accountability for human and environmental harm. He placed a special attention on company directors' responsibility for "duty of care".

With this webinar CSR Europe brings together different sector supply chain initiatives, industry federations and companies to explore how such a legislation could support the efforts towards sustainable supply chains and support the creation of positive impacts all along the supply chain. The focus of the webinar is to look from a practitioner's perspective towards the added value of a mandatory due diligence law.

Some suggestions could be:

- A more coherent and integrated EU approach, including smart mix of accompanying measures like bilateral agreements, aligned public procurement practices, changes in the competition law,
- European Sector Dialogues & Alliances and capacity building in local eco-systems as means to stimulate proactive engagement and practical solutions, adding a "duty to collaborate" to the "duty to care".

This webinar is part of CSR Europe's Community of Practice "Beyond Due Diligence".

About the Webinar

In this webinar, we invite companies, sector associations and initiatives to share their first reflections on the EU mandatory due diligence and the main challenges that still need to be faced. Based on this exchange, we will discuss the opportunity to elaborate a common position to adopt towards the European Commission.

Join this webinar to:

- ✓ Gain more information about the current development of an EU legislation on mandatory due diligence
- ✓ Exchange with sector associations and other stakeholders the challenges to couple the EU mandatory due diligence work with supportive measures in an integrated and coherent approach
- ✓ Find out how collaboration with other sector associations and initiatives could add value to your work

Agenda 8th July 2020

TIME	TOPIC	SPEAKER(s)
14:00 14:10	Mandatory Due Diligence: how to create impact?	Stefan Crets <i>Executive Director</i> <i>CSR Europe</i>
14:10 14:50	What to expect from a mandatory framework? <ul style="list-style-type: none"><i>Presentations 14:10-14:40</i><i>Q&A 14:40-14:50</i>	Lara Wolters MEP Rapporteur for the Corporate Due Diligence and Corporate Accountability Report, European Parliament Maija Laurila Head of Unit, European Commission, DG for Justice and Consumers Alexandra van Selm Programme Director International Business Conduct (SER-NL)
14.50 15.20	Reflections & Recommendations on the new EU Legislation on Mandatory Environment and HRDD in Companies' Global Supply Chains <i>Interactive Discussion</i>	All participants <i>Moderated by Jan Noterdaeme</i> <i>Senior Advisor & Co-founder</i> <i>CSR Europe</i>
15:20 15:30	Closing & Next steps	Stefan Crets <i>Executive Director</i> <i>CSR Europe</i>

We look forward to your participation!

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