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Expert Workshop Agenda

Corporate Action for Climate Justice & Human Rights

17th June 2015, 09:00 – 12:00 am., Centre d'Accueil Geneve Internationale (CAGI), Route de Ferney 106, Geneva, Switzerland

09:00 – 09:15	**Welcome & introduction** *Phil Bloomer, Business & Human Rights Resource Centre / Hannah Peters, FES*
09:15 – 10:30	**Regulation and Incentives for a Just Transition** *Chair: Phil Bloomer, Business & Human Rights Resource Centre* What are the key forms of regulation and incentives to promote corporate action that upholds human rights in the transition to a low carbon economy – both in mitigation and adaptation in their operations and supply chains? Which are the key market signals that governments need to provide? What are the most effective legislative measures? What forms of legal statute would provide protection of human rights in the transition? What incentives can encourage innovation by leading companies, and rapid adoption by laggards? Key background material: • International Bar Association's Task Force on Climate Change Justice & Human Rights: Recommendations on "Climate Change Justice & Corporate Responsibility, (full report here) • International Trade Union Confederation: Climate Justice: There are No Jobs on a Dead Planet
10:30 – 10:45	Tea & Coffee Break
10:45 – 11:45	**Company Innovation, Policy, Advocacy, and Benchmarks** *Chair: Phil Bloomer, Business & Human Rights Resource Centre* Which are the innovations, and by which companies, that demonstrate the leadership for a just transition to a low carbon economy – in mitigation, adaptation, and policy advocacy. How can these be both built on and spread rapidly across key sectors? What are the market strategies move laggards – exposure/benchmarks/rankings? How do we generate the tactical and durable coalitions or collaboration across progressive business, government and civil society necessary to drive systemic change? Key background material: • **Nestlé**: Climate change leadership • **Oxfam/Behind the Brands:** Roadmap for General Mills & Kellogg's on climate • **Oxfam:** Standing on the Sidelines: Why food and beverage companies must do more to tackle climate change • Examples of business collaborations on climate change (collated by Business & Human Rights Resource Centre)
11:45 – 12:00	**Conclusions**