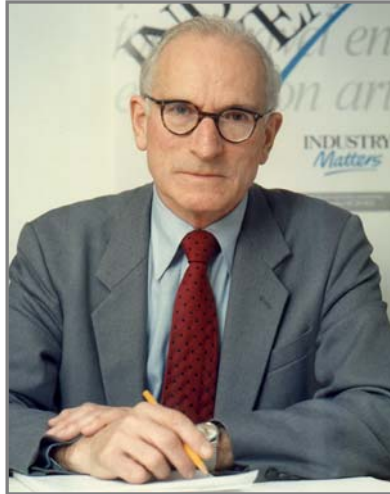




**Tribute to
Sir Geoffrey Chandler, 1922-2011**



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The trustees and staff of Business & Human Rights Resource Centre pay tribute to Sir Geoffrey Chandler, who sadly passed away yesterday. He was a pioneer in the field of business & human rights, a passionate advocate of the importance of human rights for the private sector, and a friend and mentor to many of us.

In 2007 the Resource Centre launched the annual Sir Geoffrey Chandler Speaker Series on business & human rights, in recognition of the contribution made by Geoffrey to business & human rights. Sir Geoffrey was the keynote speaker at the launch event. Lord Joffe introduced Geoffrey, commenting on his pioneering work:

“He saw the importance of companies’ human rights responsibilities long before human rights were on the business agenda -- and long before business was on the human rights agenda. Indeed Geoffrey has shaped those agendas with his visionary, passionate and persistent work in this field.”

The full text of Lord Joffe’s introduction of Sir Geoffrey, which provides an overview of Geoffrey’s career and contributions, [is available here](#).