



Dear RBF Participant,

We look forward to welcoming you at the 6th Responsible Business Forum next week. With regard to your participation in the discussion panel on **SDG 16: Peace, Justice and Strong Institutions**, we would like to share some information on the Goal and logistics:



Empowered lives.
Resilient nations.

SCHEDULING

Date : Thursday, 23 November 2017

Time : 11:25 – 12:55

Venue : Marina Bay Sands Convention Centre, 10 Bayfront Avenue, Singapore 018956

Room : Heliconia Jr. 3411 & 3412

FORMAT (90 Minutes)

1. **Introduction and Panel Discussion:** The facilitator and discussion panel will briefly introduce themselves, their organisations and provide a short overview of SDG 16 to frame the discussion. Speakers will then share their perspectives and examples of action on this goal. The facilitator will then moderate a discussion with questions for the panellists. (55 minutes)
2. **Audience Roundtable Discussion:** Delegates to share, discuss and agree on priority recommendations for scaling up the kind of initiatives presented during the panel, to measuring their impacts and making these part of an integrated approach to the SDGs. (20 minutes)
3. **Feedback from Roundtables:** Each table will assign a discussion leader to stand and share their recommendations with the room. (10 minutes)

Panel speaker are encouraged to join in the audience discussion.

Facilitators will remain as the point of contact for the recommendations.

4. **Wrap Up:** The facilitator will wrap up with a quick summary of the main discussion points and recommendations. (5 minutes)

DISCUSSION TOPICS

- **Scaling Up:** What can be done to accelerate and scale up these initiatives?
- **Measurement:** What can be done to measure the impact of these SDG actions?
- **Interconnectivity:** How can an integrated approach accelerate progress on this goal?

RESOURCES

Our knowledge partner, **PwC**, has provided key facts and information about the Goal attached to this briefing note for reference.

16 PEACE, JUSTICE AND STRONG INSTITUTIONS



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WHAT'S THE CHALLENGE?

Worldwide, more than 1.2 billion people live in areas affected by conflict and fragility. (Fragility covers five dimensions – violence, justice, institutions (including effective governments and regulatory bodies), economic foundations and resilience). Corruption, bribery, theft and tax evasion (all illicit financial flows) cost developing countries around US \$1.26 trillion per year. More than 6 billion people live in countries with a serious corruption problem.

WHY DOES IT MATTER FOR BUSINESS?

Just peaceful and inclusive societies provide a firm foundation for business to thrive. All companies need to play a part in creating a fair environment for business by complying with laws and regulations, improving transparency, protecting whistle-blowers and setting the highest standards of integrity amongst their workforces.

WHERE IS THIS A TOP CHALLENGE?

China (target 16.1 and 16.6), Indonesia (target 16.3), Kenya (target 16.9), Mexico (target 16.3), Nigeria (target 16.9), Turkey (target 16.6), Tanzania (target 16.9), Thailand (target 16.6).



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POSSIBLE RELEVANT BUSINESS ACTIONS TO HELP ACHIEVE THIS GOAL

- Respect the rule of law by not engaging in corruption or fuelling conflict.
- Work with government to support the strengthening of legal frameworks and accountable institutions.
- Encourage freedom of expression throughout the supply chain by raising awareness of human rights and the protection of the rights of employees and stakeholders.
- Consult with employees and stakeholders, such as trade unions when making big decisions to ensure these decisions are inclusive of multiple stakeholders.
- Develop policies and programs to effectively address all forms of corruption, promoting a zero tolerance approach.