



# BUSINESS & HUMAN RIGHTS ACCELERATOR



## FROM COMMITMENT TO ACTION ON BUSINESS AND HUMAN RIGHTS

Mitigate risks, build competitive advantage and become a powerful force for good with the Business & Human Rights Accelerator.



### PROGRAMME OVERVIEW

Media organizations, employees, consumers, clients, partners, NGOs and investors are increasingly taking note of corporate impacts on human rights. In response, responsible businesses are looking for ways to actively respect human rights and prevent negative human rights impacts — while managing their reputation. How does your company know and show that it respects human rights?

The Business & Human Rights Accelerator is a six-month programme that activates participating companies of the UN Global Compact across industries and regions to move from commitment to action on human rights and labour rights. Through identifying salient human rights impacts, establishing an ongoing due diligence process and developing an actionable plan, the Business & Human Rights Accelerator will empower your company to advance its human rights journey.

### PROGRAMME BENEFITS

- Identify and assess your company's actual or potential adverse human rights impacts
- Learn how to integrate those findings across processes and take appropriate action
- Track the effectiveness of measures and processes to know if they are working
- Communicate how impacts are being addressed and show stakeholders that your company is taking action and seeing results
- Build a network of peers, UN partners and experts to support your human rights journey and work collectively to tackle persistent barriers to implementing an effective human rights due diligence process

### ELIGIBILITY

To take part in the Business & Human Rights Accelerator, companies are required to be participants of the UN Global Compact or willing to join. Your company should also be:

- Currently engaged with a Global Compact Local Network in your region or willing to join
- Willing to identify its human rights impacts and scope a core area of its value chain for further focus
- Able to appoint two representatives to participate in Accelerator activities and peer-learning sessions
- An executive-level representative to follow Accelerator developments, provide support and participate in high-level events
- Able to nominate an executive-level representative

### TIMELINE

**Company registration:**  
6 September - 15 December 2023

**Programme begins:**  
February 2024  
*(Please check exact dates with your Global Compact Local Network)*

### READY TO JOIN?

To apply, visit [unglobalcompact.org/bhr-accelerator](https://unglobalcompact.org/bhr-accelerator) or contact the Global Compact Local Network in your country.

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