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# Invitation > 20 Years Swiss National Contact Point for the OECD Guidelines for Multinational Enterprises

Solutions for Responsible Business Conduct



**13 December 2021**

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# AGENDA

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- 14.00 h**      **Welcome: Mediation as an opportunity**  
**Marie-Gabrielle Ineichen-Fleisch**  
State Secretary and Director State Secretariat for Economic Affairs SECO, Co-President Advisory Body of the Swiss NCP
- 14.10 h**      **A Look Back at the Last 20 Years**  
**Christine Kaufmann**  
Chair of OECD Working Party on Responsible Business Conduct  
**Lukas Siegenthaler**  
Head of the Secretariat of the Swiss NCP
- Views of stakeholders from business, NGOs and trade unions
- 14.40 h**      **Practical Experiences with the Swiss NCP**  
Experiences of involved parties and mediators in Swiss NCP cases
- 15.40 h**      Break
- 16.00 h**      **Where is the journey going?**  
Youth's expectations regarding responsible business conduct and the NCP
- Expectations of stakeholders from business, NGOs, trade unions and academia regarding sustainable management and the NCP
- 17.00 h**      **Closing**  
**Rolf Beyeler**  
Co-President Advisory Body of the Swiss NCP
- 17.15 h**      **Cocktail**
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**Date and time:** 13 December 2021, 14.00h - 17.15h

**Location:** Berne, in the building Welle7 at the railway station<sup>1</sup> and virtual participation (by MS Teams)

**Registration:** until 30 November 2021 to: [afin@seco.admin.ch](mailto:afin@seco.admin.ch) (please state first and last name, organisation and function and whether you would like to participate on site or online).

## Background

The OECD Guidelines for Multinational Enterprises are the most comprehensive multilateral code of conduct for corporate social responsibility (CSR). They are addressed to all internationally active companies – from small businesses to large corporations.

These guidelines contain recommendations on information disclosure, human rights, employment and labour relations, the environment, anti-corruption, consumer interests, science and technology, competition and taxation.

The 50 signatory countries promote the implementation of the Guidelines through their National Contact Points (NCP). NCPs promote the Guidelines and alleged violations of the Guidelines can be reported to them. NCPs offer a dialogue platform for handling enquiries and act as mediators for fostering out-of-court conflict resolution.

At the event, you will gain insights into the activities of the Swiss NCP including concrete mediation cases. In the second part of the event, representatives of various stakeholder groups will venture an outlook on the future of NCP activities and responsible business conduct. The Swiss youth will also have its say.

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