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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 of the 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 Secretariat of the Swiss NCP  
Views of stakeholders from business and trade unions  
**Denise Laufer** - SwissHoldings - Member of the Executive Committee  
**Denis Torche** - Travail.Suisse - Member of the Management Board
- 14.50 h**      **Practical Experiences with the Swiss NCP**  
Experiences of involved parties and a mediator in Swiss NCP cases  
**Feliciano González Muñoz** - Holcim - Member of the Group Executive Committee  
/ Group Head of Human Resources  
**Matthias Hartwich** - IndustriALL Global Union – Director for Mechanical  
Engineering and Base Metals  
**Ursula König** - Ximpulse Ltd. - Professional Mediator  
**Antje Simon** - BKW Group - Sustainability Manger  
**Christoph Wiedmer** - Society for Threatened Peoples Switzerland - Co-Director
- 15.40 h**      **Break**
- 16.00 h**      **Where is the journey going?**  
Youth's expectations regarding responsible business conduct  
**Leena Raass** - Young Green Liberals – Co-President Canton Berne  
**Benjamin Klaus** - Forum of the Federal Youth Session – Co-Chair  
**Tobias Frehner** - Young Liberals of Switzerland – President Canton Berne  
  
Expectations of stakeholders from business, NGOs and academia  
regarding responsible business conduct and the NCP  
**Laurent Matile** - Alliance Sud - Senior Policy Advisor Business and Human Rights  
**Denise Laufer** - SwissHoldings - Member of the Executive Committee  
**Raymond Saner** - Vice Chair of the academic OECD RBC Network
- 17.00 h**      **Closing**  
**Rolf Beyeler**  
Co-President of the Advisory Body of the Swiss NCP
- 17.15 h**      **Cocktail**

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**Date and time:** 13 December 2021, 14.00h - 17.15h

**Moderation:** **Antonio Hautle**, Global Compact Network Switzerland and Liechtenstein

**Language:** German, French and English without translation

**Location:** Berne, [Welle 7](#) (Schanzenstrasse 5, 3008 Bern) at the railway station<sup>1</sup> and virtual participation (by MS Teams)

**Registration:** until 3 December 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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<sup>1</sup> **Covid certificate:** Access to the event is permitted with a Covid certificate valid in Switzerland/EU. The certificate must be presented at the entrance together with an official identity document (passport, identity card, driving licence, residence permit or SwissPass)