A Look Back at the Last 20 Years

20 Years Swiss National Contact Point for the OECD Guidelines

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National Contact Points: a unique mechanism

- Based on the **OECD Guidelines for Multinational Enterprises**
- Address the **all key areas** where business interacts with society
- **Solution-oriented** platform for dialogue
- **Broad support** by all stakeholders
- Companies operating **in and from** the 50 adherents' territories
NCPs and remedy: 20 years of contribution

Application of the Guidelines to various types of corporate actors

Addressing key elements of due diligence, human rights, labour relations

Supporting RBC policy coherence and public policy change in non-adherent countries

Agreements (40%), changes in corporate policy (47%), compensation & reparation

> 500 cases, involving > 100 territories and jurisdictions
NCPs and remedy: 20 years of challenges

Visibility and accessibility

Meeting indicative timelines – duration of cases

Levering outcomes more consistently

Guaranteeing equitable and safe proceedings

Ensuring stakeholders’ trust and the credibility of the NCP system
20 Years Swiss NCP – reason to celebrate and think ahead