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Global Compact-Related Events 2006

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February

Dovetailing Leadership and Good Governance

Hosted by the United Nations University, Office at the United Nations New York and the UNU International Leadership Institute, located in Amman, Jordan. The panel addresses challenges and solutions for future leaders and introduce the UNU-ILI vision for “leadership training” for young diplomats and professionals. For more information on the event, please visit:
<http://www.ony.unu.edu/seminars/2006/leadership/index.shtml>.

23 February
 United Nations
 Headquarters, New
 York

Global Compact Workshop

A high-level workshop to show how business in the Gulf region can incorporate the Global Compact and its ten principles into corporate responsibility programs.

27 February
 Dubai

March

US Network Meeting

Hosted by Seagate Technology

2 March
 Bay Area, CA

Global Compact Launch in Silicon Valley

Hosted by Symantec Corp

3 March
 Mountain View, CA

Expert Workshop on Small- and Medium-Sized Enterprises and Corruption

Organized by UNIDO and UNODC

6-7 March
 Vienna

2nd Communication on Progress Expert Meeting

The objective of the meeting is to bring together preparers and users of COPs to understand how this communication mechanism can continue evolving into a reliable tool for transparency and accountability.

9-10 March
 Geneva

Wharton Students Conference

Endorsed by the Global Compact

23 March
 Philadelphia

April

Launch of Principles for Responsible Investment

Organized by the Global Compact and UNEP Finance Initiative. [Link to more information](#) on the Principles for Responsible Investment. Date to be announced
New York

May

US Network Meeting: Corporate Responsibility & Financial Markets

18 May
New York

Regional Meeting of Global Compact Network Focal Points: Latin America

24-25 May
Panama City

Comprehensive Review and High-level Meeting: UN Declaration of Commitment on HIV/AIDS

The United Nations General Assembly adopted a resolution on 23 December 2005, calling for a comprehensive review of the progress made in implementing the 2001 UN Declaration of Commitment on HIV/AIDS. This "Comprehensive Review and High-level Meeting" will include an interactive hearing with civil society and the private sector, as well as round tables and plenary sessions. Corporate representatives are encouraged to complete and submit an application form if they are interested in attending. Successful applicants will receive a formal invitation and related information directly from UNAIDS.

31 May-2 June
United Nations
Headquarters, New
York

[Download the application.](#)

June

United Nations System Private Sector Focal Points Meeting

Convened by the UN Global Compact Office, the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO), the UN System Staff College, and the UN Fund for International Partnerships (UNFIP). The meeting "Towards Impact, Scale and Local Ownership: New Tools and Mechanisms for Effective Partnership Management" will provide participants with an opportunity to exchange experiences and build upon lessons learned in the context of the evolving UN/business partnership agenda.

1-2 June
Paris

[Download the agenda.](#)
[Download the background material.](#)

Launch of the Global Compact Network in Nigeria

In pursuit of its mission to promote private sector development, the Nigerian Economic Summit Group (NESG) is collaborating with the African Leadership Forum (ALF), the Nigerian Institute of International Affairs (NIIA) and the Executive Office of the Secretary General of the United Nations, to launch the UN Global Compact Network in Nigeria on the 7th of June 2006 during the Twelfth Nigerian Economic Summit, Transcorp Hilton Hotel - Abuja, Nigeria.

7 June
Abuja, Nigeria

For more information on the Twelfth Nigerian Economic Summit, please visit www.nes12.org

Regional Meeting of Global Compact Network Focal Points: Asia

7-8 June
Bangkok

Responsible Investing: Business and Corporate Social Responsibility in Eastern Europe and CIS

The Government of Austria, United Nations Development Programme and UNIDO are organizing a conference to promote corporate social responsibility and facilitate business partnerships in the countries of South East Europe (SEE) and the Commonwealth of Independent States (CIS), in order to contribute to meeting the Millennium Development Goals (MDGs).

19-20 June
Vienna

[Download the conference flyer.](#)
[Download the conference agenda.](#)

Regional Meeting of Global Compact Network Focal Points: Europe

21-22 June
Vienna

Global Compact Midwest Conference on Corporate Responsibility

22-23 June
Chicago

July

Forum on Responsible Business Practices in the Oil and Gas Sector: Meeting 1

Organized by BP, the Global Compact Office, IPIECA and Statoil. This is the first of two meetings in 2006 to explore, through sharing of experience, the practical challenges and opportunities faced by companies in implementing business standards such as the Global Compact principles. Additionally, the meetings will establish a common understanding and approach with respect to human rights, labour standards, the environment and anti-corruption.

Cancun

September

How to address child labour in the supply chain in a responsible way: Experiences and practices of child labour monitoring

Organized by International Programme on the Elimination of Child Labour (IPEC) and ILO International Training Centre.

4-8 September
Turin, Italy

[Download the conference flyer.](#)

International PPP Summit 2006

Jointly hosted by UNDP, World Bank, Corporate Social Responsibility Association (Turkey) and UK Trade & Investment. The International PPP Summit 2006 aims to:

15 - 16 September
Ankara

- bring socially responsible undertakers, foreign and domestic investors and financiers together with PPP Projects for civil society support;
- identify legal framework, the good governance procedures to improve the delivery of PPPs specifically on the new and updated legal framework in Turkey;
- to analyze model guidelines, dispute resolutions systems in cooperation with all stakeholders to avoid corruption in PPPs;
- discuss current guidelines and toolkits prepared by international organizations;
- map interested partners.

For more information and to register, please visit: www.pppturkey.com

Global Compact Annual Networks Forum

Jointly organized by the Global Compact Office and the Barcelona Center for the Support of the Global Compact, the Annual Local Networks Forum is the global platform for representatives of Local Networks to share their experiences, review and compare progress and adopt recommendations for enhancing the effectiveness of the Local Networks.

26-27 September
Barcelona

The forthcoming Forum is designed to provide substance, inspiration and support for collective action by Local Networks and to define the strategic framework for the advancement of Local Networks for the next year. The Forum will be attended by over 100 participants, including network focal points, representatives of participating companies, UN agencies, donor governments and other stakeholders. The working group format will enable participants to engage in peer-to-peer discussions and learning exercises. The Forum will conclude with a conference on Global Trends in CSR.

[Download the Draft agenda](#)

[Visit the Forum website](#)

Who Cares Wins Annual Meeting

Organized by the Global Compact, the Government of Switzerland and the IFC

28 September
Zurich

October

Combating Discrimination and Promoting Equality

This policy dialogue, convened by the International Labour Office and the Global Compact Office with support from the City of London, will explore various aspects of inequality and discrimination in the workplace and how to address them. Core themes will be: discrimination on the basis of ethnicity; sectoral issues and approaches; discrimination relating to the ageing of population and youth employment; and public-private partnerships to promote equal opportunities.

6-7 October
London

Social Investments in the Economic Development of the Regions of Russia

UNDP and the Russian Union of Industrialists and Entrepreneurs are organising an conference to promote the principles of responsible investing and facilitate regional development in the Russian Federation. The event will be a unique networking opportunity for 200 participants representing leading Russian and international companies, government, NGOs, international organisations and UN agencies. Participants will have an opportunity to exchange experiences, learn about best practices and corporate initiatives in the area of responsible investing and to discuss and initiate new partnerships and socially oriented investments in the regions of Russia.

26 October Rostov-
on-Don

The conference will help build an active UN Global Compact Network in Russia.

Contact person: Victoria Zotikova at 7 495 787 2115 or victoria.zotikova@undp.org

Business as an Agent of World Benefit: Management Knowledge Leading Positive Change

The Global Forum is being convened by the Academy of Management and the Global Compact Office, hosted by Case Western Reserve University. This forward-looking Forum is an unprecedented opportunity to bring together leading business executives, management scholars and top students from around the world to identify and to leverage new solutions that have the potential to change the nature of 21st century society. The format, like the content, will encircle the globe, with delegates coming from around the world to attend the Forum in person and an additional 3,000 delegates expected to participate virtually.

23-25 October
Cleveland

[Download the conference announcement.](#)

[Invitation and forum overview.](#)

[Download the press release.](#)

[Visit the BAWB Forum website.](#)

[Call for papers/workshops.](#)

[Call for stories.](#)

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November

Peace through Commerce

Organized by the Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business, the Global Compact and the University of Notre Dame.

12-14 November
South Bend,
Indiana

At the founding of the UN in 1945, political and business leaders, as well as scholars, shared the conviction that commerce could play an important role in fostering peace. Half a century later, with the emergence of an interlocking global economy and the enormous new reach of business, the business community faces new challenges in its engagement with societies with a high risk of conflict. A number of companies operating in conflict zones of the world will present their experience, especially the lessons which might be replicated as "best practices". Also scholars and public policy makers will discuss the conceptual issues and learning from around the globe.

[Download the conference flyer.](#)

Is Corporate Citizenship Making a Difference?

The symposium is being convened by UNISA Africa Centre for Corporate Citizenship, the Global Compact and the Lindenberg Center for Global Citizenship, and will take place at the Ghana Institute for Management and Public Administration.

21-22 November
Accra, Ghana

“Is corporate citizenship making a difference?” This question will become increasingly prominent, as both protagonists and critics of corporate citizenship seek to understand, monitor, and enhance the contribution of business to sustainable development. It requires that we develop measures of success that are commonly agreed upon, that respond to the challenges of a transition to sustainability, and that relate to the broader impacts of business activity and not just discrete “best practice” examples. Papers discussed at the symposium will be considered for a special edition of the Journal of Corporate Citizenship, to be published in Winter 2007.

A number of symposium bursaries will be available. Registration will open on the 5 June 2006. For further details and registration, please visit the website: <http://www.unisa.ac.za/ccc>.

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[Download the invitation.](#)
[Download the call for papers.](#)

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The **Fourth International Learning Forum Meeting** will take place immediately after the Academic Symposium from the 22-24 November 2006.

4th International Learning Forum Meeting

If ... you would like to explore how to collectively prevent corruption; you would like to better understand the potential role of business in fighting poverty; you are facing challenges in community engagement or in assuring that your organization and supply chain will not be complicit in human rights abuses; you would like to become an empowered change agent in and for your organization; you have a burning question with regard to implementing Global Compact principles; and if you are willing to take responsibility for your own learning, then this 4th Global Compact International Learning Forum Meeting is for you!

22-24 November
Accra, Ghana

*Pre-meeting
learning-oriented
field visits are
offered from 20-22
November.*

The Meeting will be organized in partnership with the Centre for Corporate Citizenship of the University of South Africa and UNDP Ghana, with advice on the learning and facilitation methodology from the OASIS School of Human Relations.

Registration and information: www.ungc-learningforum.org

For more details, case study proposals and sponsoring opportunities, please contact Ellen Kallinowsky, Head of the Global Compact Regional Learning Forum Africa, kallinowsky@un.org.

[Download the meeting flyer.](#)

Looking ahead, the Global Compact Leaders Summit will take place at UN Headquarters in Geneva on 5-6 July 2007.

[Find more information about Leaders Summit here.](#)

Event Calendars of Global Compact Core Agencies:

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