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## Global Compact Events Calendar 2007

### January

#### Responsible Investment in Weak or Conflict Prone States

Organized by the Global Compact, the New York City Comptroller's Office and the Principles for Responsible Investment.

This event will bring together institutional investors and companies from around the world, along with select civil society and UN representatives to explore the key challenges faced by companies operating in weak states. Discussions will also examine the implications and potential leverage for institutional investors, particularly in the context of the Principles for Responsible Investment ([www.unpri.org](http://www.unpri.org)).

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17 January  
UN  
Headquarters,  
New York

#### 4th Meeting of ISO Working Group on Social Responsibility

As part of the 4th Meeting of ISO/WGSR, the UN Global Compact has been invited to deliver a presentation on the initiative. Executive Director Georg Kell will present on 29 January.

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29 January –  
2 February  
Sydney

### February

#### Florida Conference on the United Nations Global Compact

Organized by the St. Thomas University Center for Ethics

16 February  
Miami  
Gardens,  
Florida

View the event [agenda](#).

For more information and to register, visit the [conference website](#).

Contact: Matthias Stausberg ([stausberg@un.org](mailto:stausberg@un.org))

### **Progress and Value Workshop (Global)**

Organized by the Barcelona Center for the Support of the Global Compact.

22 – 23  
February  
Barcelona

The Progress and Value Workshop is designed to prepare participants as mentors in their own organizations and also in their local networks. The workshop will be attended by a mix of representatives from local networks, company participants and other organizations working to support the implementation of the ten principles.

The workshop will concentrate on:

1. Enabling a real commitment to internalize the ten principles and to contribute to the broader development goals of the United Nations; and
2. Understanding the value of assessing and sharing information on progress towards those goals.

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## **March**

### **Corporate Social Responsibility in the 21st Century Nigeria**

Organized by the UN Global Compact Local Network in Nigeria.

5 – 7 March  
Abuja

More [information](#).

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### **Partnerships for Sustainable Development**

#### ***The Oslo Conference on Good Governance and Social and Environmental Responsibility***

Hosted by the Norwegian Ministry of Foreign Affairs, in cooperation with WBCSD, UNEP, the Global Compact, GRI, the Norwegian Ministry of the Environment and the City of Oslo.

28 – 30 March  
Oslo

The Oslo Conference will address a broad range of sustainability issues. It

has been inspired by the belief that broad dialogue and inclusive partnerships are key to successful implementation and innovation. The Oslo Conference will be an innovative and challenging event on the crucial challenges facing business and sustainability today: Can we continue to operate as we always have, or do we need to think and act in radically different ways?

Event information: [www.csr-oslo.org](http://www.csr-oslo.org)

Contact: Cecilie Hultmann ([hultmann@un.org](mailto:hultmann@un.org))

### **Responsible Business Practices in the Oil & Gas Sector: *Implementing the Global Compact Principles***

The World Petroleum Council and the Global Compact are convening a peer-to-peer industry forum for national and international oil and gas companies. At the forum, participants will share practical experiences and exchange the challenges and opportunities they face in acting responsibly and in implementing standards, such as the Global Compact principles, into their business operations. The forum focuses particularly on the Asian region and is kindly hosted by Petronas. The goal of the meeting is for participants to gain an enhanced understanding of how companies in the petroleum sector are implementing the Global Compact principles and engaging in community development.

28 – 29 March  
Kuala Lumpur

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## **April**

### **Regional Meeting of Global Compact Network Focal Points: Asia**

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2 – 4 April  
Bangkok

### **3rd 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 as a reliable tool for transparency and accountability.

2 – 3 April  
Geneva

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### **US Network Meeting: Managing Climate Change**

This meeting is open to all US companies, NGOs and stakeholders in the US Network. It will focus on the risks and opportunities presented by climate change with the objective of developing a strategic framework for action. The meeting will feature a range of presentations from experts as well as group dialogue. The meeting is also open to the US-based affiliates of non-US companies.

3 April  
UN  
Headquarters,  
New York

Contact: Gavin Power ([powerg@un.org](mailto:powerg@un.org))

### Global Compact Board Meeting

The second meeting of the Global Compact Board was held on 4 April 2007 at UN Headquarters in New York. The Secretary-General officially opened the meeting, which focused on the following areas: the Triennial Leaders Summit; Integrity Measures; Principles for Responsible Investment and Responsible Education; and Global Compact Working Groups, particularly on climate change and human rights.

4 April  
UN  
Headquarters,  
New York

For more information, visit the [Global Compact Board](#) section on the *Global Compact website*.

### Global Business Summit for the Environment (B4E)

Hosted by the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP) and the Global Compact.

19 – 20 April  
Singapore

Leaders from business, NGO, international organisations and government agencies will gather at B4E '07 to discuss environmental issues related to growth and global climate change. With the theme "Aligning Environmental Responsibility with Business Success", B4E'07 will reinforce the fundamental message of corporate environmental responsibility amongst the international business community.

This will be the first major international conference focusing on business and the environment to be held in Asia. The conference will highlight the urgency for companies worldwide to embrace environmental responsibility and share strategies and best practices in environmental performance management, efficiency in corporate energy use and developments in green building, technology and urban planning.

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### Regional Meeting of Global Compact Network Focal Points: Eastern Europe

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23 – 25 April  
London

## May

### Regional Meeting of Global Compact Network Focal Points: Latin America & Caribbean

- I. Progress and Value Workshop (8 – 9 May)
- II. Regional Meeting of Representatives of the Global Compact Local Networks for Latin American and the Caribbean (10 May)
- III. Global Compact Latin American Forum: "From Global Citizenship to local commitment in Latin America and the Caribbean (11 May)
- IV. Colloquium: "Governance and CSR, two pillars for the contribution of the Latin American private sector to the Millennium Development Goals" (11 May)

8 – 11 May  
Buenos Aires

#### More information.

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### The UN Global Compact: Taking UN-Business Partnerships to a New Level

Organized by the Business Council for the United Nations and the United Nations Global Compact.

31 May  
UN  
Headquarters,  
New York

Featuring:

- Mr. Georg Kell, Executive Director, United Nations Global Compact
- Mr. Christian H. Thommessen, Director, Private Sector Division, Partnerships Bureau, UN Development Programme
- H.E. Mr. Dumisani S. Kumalo (Invited), Permanent Representative of South Africa to the United Nations
- Ms. Angela Harrell, Creative-Director, Coca-Cola, Inc.
- Moderator: Mr. Michael Elliot, Editor-at-Large, Time Magazine
- Introduced by: Mr. Amir Dossal, Executive Director, UN Office for Partnerships

#### RSVP form

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## June

### World Diversity Leadership Symposium

Organized by Virtcom and the Global Compact, the forum aims to bring together chief diversity officers, corporate executives, government leaders

4 – 6 June  
UN

and policy makers from around the world to discuss diversity and inclusion challenges and opportunities for improving organizational performance. It provides an opportunity to showcase your company's commitment to diversity and the next generation of global initiatives.

Headquarters,  
New York

Event information:

[www.wdls2007.com/un](http://www.wdls2007.com/un)

Contact: Ursula Wynhoven ([wynhoven@un.org](mailto:wynhoven@un.org))

### **Economic Summit 2007: Entrepreneurship and Sustainability**

Presented by the Cal State East Bay Small Business Development Center (SBDC) in partnership with IDEO, UN Global Compact and Fast Company.

11 June  
San Francisco

"Entrepreneurship and Sustainability" focuses on how an organization can improve its competitive position, reduce costs, and increase profits while becoming a more environmentally and socially responsible business:

- Deepen understanding of sustainability and the environmental and social issues that impact all of us;
- Discover business opportunities available to organizations implementing sustainable, socially responsible practices;
- Learn how some of the world's best companies are making sustainability a strategic priority and how they build the business case for sustainable products and business practices; and
- Hear immediate, actionable advice on sustainable practices that you can apply today to build your business.

Event information:

[www.economicssummit2007.org](http://www.economicssummit2007.org)

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## **July**

### **Global Compact Leaders Summit *Facing Realities: Getting Down to Business***

Chaired by Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon, the Leaders Summit was the largest high-level event ever held on the topic of corporate responsibility, bringing together more than 1,100 leaders and representatives from business, government, civil society, labour, academia and the United Nations. Through the launch of reports, impact assessments, action platforms and learning resources, as well as the convening of dialogues across all core issue areas, the Leaders Summit allowed the Global Compact's multi-stakeholder base to candidly assess the initiative's progress, renew commitment to the principles and project the Compact's future course.

5 – 6 July  
UN  
Headquarters,  
Geneva

[More information on the Leaders Summit agenda, speeches, news releases and related materials.](#)

[More information on key outcomes from the 2007 Leaders Summit.](#)

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## September

### Global Compact Local Network Launch: Senegal

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7 September  
Dakar

### Global Compact Local Network Launch: Côte d'Ivoire

Contact: Kola Badejo ( [badejo@un.org](mailto:badejo@un.org) )

11 September  
Abidjan

### Global Compact Local Network Launch: Korea

Contact: Sunok Lee ( [lee21@un.org](mailto:lee21@un.org) )

17 September  
Seoul

### The Latin American Forum

Topics for discussion during the Forum will include good practices for partnerships by Global Compact Local Networks in Latin, as well as other network projects.

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24 September  
New York

### When Partnerships Mean Business: *NGOs and Companies Tackling Real World Issues Together*

Hosted by Dalberg Global Development Advisors, the UN Global Compact, the Financial Times and Edelman, this panel discussion will include senior executives from leading businesses, NGOs and the United Nations about key components of successful public-private partnerships and future opportunities for effective engagements. The event builds on a new guide, "The Business

25 September  
New York

Guide to Partnering with NGOs and the United Nations", developed by Dalberg Global Development Advisors, the Financial Times and the UN Global Compact to assist businesses in the partner selection process and identify leading non-profit social actors from around the world that have demonstrated skill and excellence in working with companies. The full report — including the profiles of these notable NGOs, UN agencies and other social actors — can be ordered on [www.csrwire.com/guide](http://www.csrwire.com/guide) and [www.dalberg.com/guide](http://www.dalberg.com/guide)

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## October

### III International Meeting of CSR: A Global Compact

Hosted by ANDI (National Association of Industries of Colombia). Visit [ANDI website](#) for more information.

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4 – 5 October  
Santiago de  
Cali,  
Colombia

### A Climate for Cooperation and Strategic Leadership *Business & Industry Global Dialogue '07*

Hosted by the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP), with the support of Brazilian business and industry and the UN Global Compact. Join the 1st Business & Industry Global Dialogue, where over 300 representatives from business, industry and financing institutions, public institutions and non-governmental organizations will discuss new trends, innovations and UN-business partnership opportunities to address climate change, energy and responsible chemicals management. Follow-up activities to the "Caring for Climate" initiative will be discussed during some of the roundtable dialogues.

For more information, please contact Lila Karbassi at the Global Compact Office ([karbassi@un.org](mailto:karbassi@un.org)) or Cornis Van der Lugt at UNEP ([cornis.lugt@unep.fr](mailto:cornis.lugt@unep.fr)).

To register, please email [Susan.kikwe@unep.fr](mailto:Susan.kikwe@unep.fr).

15 – 16  
October  
Sao Paulo

### Global Compact V 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.

17 – 18  
October  
Monterrey,  
Mexico

The agenda of the V Annual Local Networks Forum is based on the recommendations of last year's Forum, input gathered during regional meetings in the first half of 2007, as well as bilateral contact between the GCO and Local Networks. Addressing a wide range of issues and themes, it is meant to give substance, inspiration and support for collective action of Local Networks. The Forum's specific objectives are:

- To consolidate the achievements made so far by Global Compact Local Networks,
- To exchange experiences, identify good practices and build momentum for collective action.
- To discuss and identify the future challenges for Local Networks.

*Progress & Value Workshop to be held before the Forum on 14 – 16 October*

Registration is open to the Local Network Focal Point and up to two additional network participants who have been chosen to represent the Local Network at the Forum: <http://www.fundacioforum.org/eng/gcalnf07.asp>.

Download the [Forum agenda](#) .

Contact: Nessa Whelan ([whelan@un.org](mailto:whelan@un.org))

## **US Network Meeting: Responsible Procurement**

The meeting will cover a broad range of issues related to Responsible Procurement, including developing an overall strategy; sustainable travel and food services; IT procurement; building and construction; and ethical sourcing. The meeting will feature speakers and presenters from a diverse group of organizations including: Business for Social Responsibility; Starbucks; Ebay; American Express; Sun Microsystems; Hewlett-Packard; Webcor; Bon Appetit; Rainforest Alliance; WWF; and the City of San Francisco.

The meeting, which is designed to coincide with the annual conference of Business for Social Responsibility, will be held at the headquarters office of PG&E in downtown San Francisco (please see [agenda](#) for address and other details).

Contact: Gavin Power ([powerg@un.org](mailto:powerg@un.org))

22 October  
San Francisco

10 am-6 pm,  
with dinner  
following

## **Creating a UN Global Compact Network in Canada**

### *A strategy session*

Hosted by the Global Compact and Canadian Business for Social Responsibility. The meeting is designed to engage influential Canadian business leaders interested in establishing a GC Network in Canada.

Contact: Melissa Powell ([powell1@un.org](mailto:powell1@un.org))

24 October  
Calgary

## The Next Great Transformation: Sustainable Enterprise

Jointly organized by the Applied Research Centre in Human Security, the UN Global Compact, Boston College and The Eden Project. Local and global economies and all enterprises – large and small, from the individual to the global corporate – must now adapt to seize the 21st century challenges and opportunities. Humanity has reached a turning point and we want to tell the world about the most brilliant, innovative practices around the world on sustainable enterprise. We want to hear from sustainable enterprise pioneers, from innovative thinkers, from business, from government, from agencies, from NGOs, and from academics. During this event, we hope to explore new models, new systems, new policies and new strategies for this century.

For further information and registration: please visit [www.coventry.ac.uk/archs](http://www.coventry.ac.uk/archs) or email Jeanette Morris ([tngtconference.bes@coventry.ac.uk](mailto:tngtconference.bes@coventry.ac.uk))

[Event flyer](#) .

24 – 26  
October  
Cornwall,  
England

## Global Compact National Network Meeting: Turkey

Hosted by Koc Holding.

Contact: Carrie Hall ( [hallc@un.org](mailto:hallc@un.org) )

25 October  
Istanbul

## Principles for Responsible Investment: Asia-Pacific Roundtable

Hosted by UNEP FI, in coordination with its 2007 Global Roundtable event: Awareness to Action – Sustainable Finance for Today's Global Markets. The event will bring together PRI signatories from the Asia-Pacific region.

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26 October  
Melbourne

## November

### Global Compact Board Meeting

For more information, visit the [Global Compact Board](#) section on the Global Compact website.

1 November  
United  
Nations  
Headquarters,  
New York

**General Assembly Second Committee:**  
***Panel discussion on the UN Global Compact***

This panel will highlight the progress to date of the UN Global Compact – the UN’s voluntary corporate citizenship initiative, which aims to make global markets more sustainable and inclusive. The role of the initiative in helping to engage business in poverty reduction, including through the generation of employment opportunities, will also be discussed. The outcomes of the UN Global Compact Leaders Summit, which took place at UN Headquarters in Geneva on 5-6 July 2007, will be addressed.

1 November  
United  
Nations  
Headquarters,  
New York

Contact: Ursula Wynhoven ([wynhoven@un.org](mailto:wynhoven@un.org))

**5th ISO Social Responsibility Plenary Meeting**

Hosted by the Austrian Standards Institute (ON) and co-sponsored by the Austrian Government, the United Nations Global Compact and United Nations Industrial Development Organization.

5 – 9  
November  
Vienna

For more information, visit the [ISO Social Responsibility](#) website.

Contact: Kola Badejo ( [badejo@un.org](mailto:badejo@un.org) )

**Principles for Responsible Investment Board Meeting**

The Principles for Responsible Investment includes more than 236 signatories with assets over \$10 trillion. [More information on PRI.](#)

14 November  
Paris

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**Global Compact Implementation Workshop for Senior Managers**

Invitations sent to all Global Compact participating companies with over 5,000 employees. The workshop held at the UN System Staff College (UNSSC).

26 – 30  
November  
Turin, Italy

Contact: Jeff Senne ([senne@un.org](mailto:senne@un.org))

**Introductory Meeting of the Northeast Ohio Network of the UN Global Compact**

Hosted by Chuck Fowler, President and CEO, Fairmount Minerals, and David Cooperrider, Fairmount Minerals Professor in Social Entrepreneurship,

29 November  
Case Western

and Founder & Chair, Center for Business as an Agent of World Benefit, Case Weatherhead School of Management.

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Reserve  
University,  
Cleveland

## December

### **Responsible Business Practices in the Oil & Gas sector: *Implementing the Global Compact Principles***

Hosted by Petroleum Federation of India (PetroFed), with the goal of providing companies and NGOs a platform to share practical experiences and exchange the challenges and opportunities they face in implementing the Global Compact principles.

Contact: Melissa Powell ([powell1@un.org](mailto:powell1@un.org))

6 – 7  
December  
Delhi

### **Caring for Climate Special Event**

The Caring for Climate dinner event will take stock of the initiative's progress and communicate its potential to contribute to the mobilization of the business sector in mitigating climate change through innovative solutions and cooperation. The event will highlight role models and share best practices. The participants will be leaders from business, governments and civil society. Speakers will include CEOs of leading companies that have shown leadership on the climate issue.

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10 December  
Bali

### **Global Compact Human Rights Working Group Meeting**

View the [meeting agenda](#).

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12 December  
London

**Event Calendars of Global Compact Core Agencies (where available):**

**[OHCHR](#) [ILO](#) [UNEP](#) [UNIDO](#) [UNODC](#)**

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