

Cross Community Working Group on Enhancing ICANN Accountability

Workstream 2 - Human Rights Design Team

Meeting 5 - September 20 - 19:00 UTC

Agenda

1. Administrivia

Roll call, absentees, Sols, etc


2. Analysis of Ruggie Principles for ICANN - discussion on

First Four Points of Corporate Responsibility to Respect Human Rights


https://docs.google.com/document/d/10XMIVosuEfgmXwr7SQjeNLKI8r_hdONrjNV2ih72V80/edit

3. AOB

Business enterprises should respect human rights. This means that they should avoid infringing on the human rights of others and should address adverse human rights impacts with which they are involved.



The responsibility of business enterprises to respect human rights refers to internationally recognized human rights – understood, at a minimum, as those expressed in the International Bill of Human Rights and the principles concerning fundamental rights set out in the International Labour Organization’s Declaration on Fundamental Principles and Rights at Work.



The responsibility of business enterprises to respect human rights applies to all enterprises regardless of their size, sector, operational context, ownership and structure. Nevertheless, the scale and complexity of the means through which enterprises meet that responsibility may vary according to these factors and with the severity of the enterprise's adverse human rights impacts.



The responsibility to respect human rights requires that business enterprises:

(a) Avoid causing or contributing to adverse human rights impacts through their own activities, and address such impacts when they occur;

(b) Seek to prevent or mitigate adverse human rights impacts that are directly linked to their operations, products or services by their business relationships, even if they have not contributed to those impacts.