

## POLICY COHERENCE

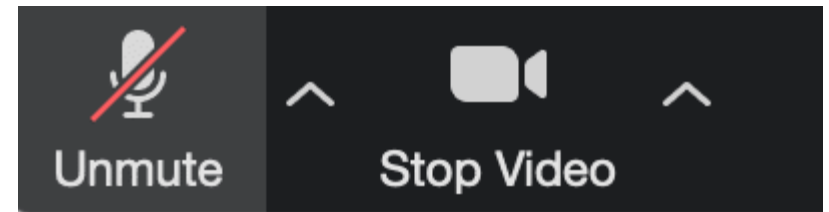
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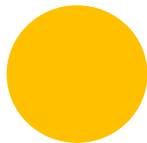
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**How well do you  
know the OECD  
Guidelines?**



**Not very well**



**Basic understanding**

# Agenda

1. OECD Watch network
2. Context and purpose of workshop
3. The OECD Guidelines
4. Guidelines and policy coherence
5. Interventions
6. Discussion

## About OECD Watch

- **Global network** of 140+ CSOs in 54 countries
- **Official representative of civil society** at the OECD Investment Committee
- Our work: capacity building, research, advocacy



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About us

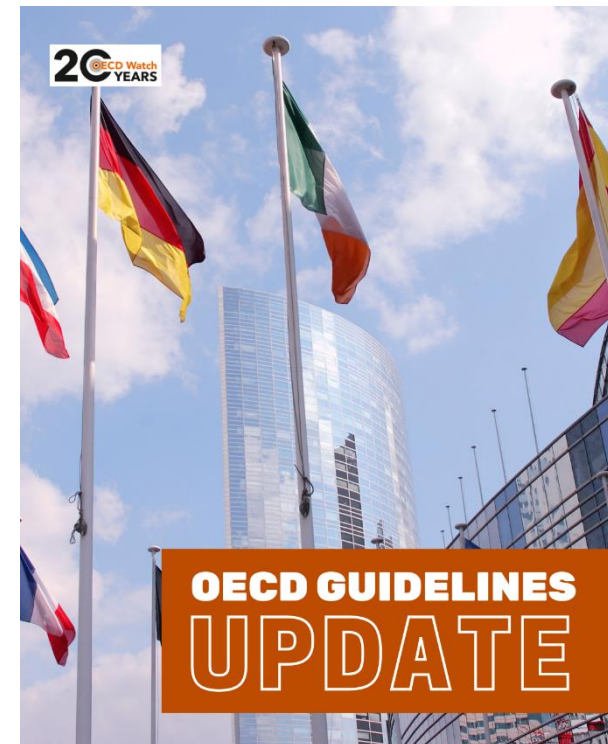
## Context and purpose of workshop

### Context:

- Current weak policy and legislative framework on responsible business conduct
- Growing focus on RBC at state level (laws, policies)

### Purpose:

- Discuss & strategise how the Guidelines could be an **additional tool** for your work



# What are the OECD Guidelines for Multinational Enterprises on Responsible Business Conduct?

- Recommendations from OECD governments to companies on how to act responsibly
- Non-binding (voluntary) standards for responsible business conduct – broad issue and value chain coverage
- Governments that follow the Guidelines must establish a body called a National Contact Point (NCP) to promote the Guidelines and handle (non-judicial) complaints
- Updated in June 2023



# The Guidelines as a tool for policy coherence?



- Preface: role of government in promoting RBC, policy coherence & smart mix
- OECD Recommendation and Declaration on coherent legal frameworks
- GLs and due diligence guidance can be/already referenced in laws, bills
- Standards applicable to other policy: export credits, procurement, etc.

For more information click here

[Factsheet on policy coherence](#)

[Recommendation](#)

[Declaration](#)



# Strengths & weaknesses

## Strengths

- Strong standards
- Broad scope (issues, sectors, value chain)
- Wide government & OECD backing

## Weaknesses

- Standards not necessarily strongest / constrain future progress?
- Preface has only weak reference to alignment with Guidelines
- Concerns about due diligence model

# How to use the Guidelines

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# **Interventions from speakers**



# Questions?

**Your ideas & current work on policy coherence**

**Due diligence model vs. other approaches to accountability – how can the Guidelines help?**

**What next steps could you/we take on policy coherence?**

**Strategic  
complaints**

**Policy  
advocacy**

**Company  
engagement**



## **Consider becoming a member of OECD Watch for:**

- Connections with other global members
- Access to information on OECD activities
- Opportunities to advise on OECD policy
  - And more...

 OECD Watch **workshop series** 

Using the **OECD Guidelines** for change

## Upcoming workshops



Policy Coherence .....	21 Nov 2023
National Contact Point Complaints .....	23 Nov 2023
Central & Eastern Europe .....	4 Dec 2023

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