



*Committee on Legal Affairs
Subcommittee on Human Rights*

INTERPARLIAMENTARY COMMITTEE MEETING
**Corporate responsibility for serious human rights abuses
in third countries**

Tuesday, 21 April 2022, 13:45 - 16:15

**European Parliament, Brussels
Room Spaak 3C50**

13:45 - 13:50

Welcome and opening remarks by
- Maria ARENA, Chair of the Subcommittee on Human Rights
- Adrián VÁZQUEZ LÁZARA, Chair of the Committee on Legal Affairs

Keynote

Presentation of the Commission proposal for a directive on corporate sustainability due diligence by **Didier Reynders**, Commissioner for Justice, European Commission

Debate with MEPs and Members of EU National Parliaments

Panel

Presentation of the expert briefing requested by DROI, by **Claire METHVEN O'Brien**, Senior Researcher at the Danish Institute for Human Rights, **Olga MARTIN-ORTEGA**, Professor of International Law, University of Greenwich, UK

Kalpona AKTER, the founder and executive director of the Bangladesh Center for Workers Solidarity and the winner of the Human Rights Watch's Alison Des Forges award for Extraordinary Activism in 2016

Tyler GILLARD, Head of Sector Projects and Legal Adviser in the Responsible Business Conduct Unit, Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD)

Debate with MEPs and Members of EU National Parliaments

Conclusions

16:10 - 16:15

- Maria ARENA, Chair of the Subcommittee on Human Rights
- Adrián VÁZQUEZ LÁZARA, Chair of the Committee on Legal Affairs