

THE 2021 MASTERS COURSE: BUSINESS & HUMAN RIGHTS

Implementing the Responsibility to Respect

Rafto Roundation for Human Rights, University of Bergen, Department of Comparative Politics,
and the Institute for Human Rights and Business present:

Masters-level course exploring the links between human rights risks and corporate activity and the importance of international standards in strengthening respect for and protection of human rights.

Features:

- Taught by a **faculty of global experts** from the worlds of business, academia and civil society.
- **Case studies** in a range of industries, delivered by business experts.
- Hear first-hand experience of **human rights defenders**.
- Discussion and analysis with business professionals on possible **solutions to human rights challenges** facing companies.
- **Explore dilemmas** where local standards and rules vary from and sometimes contradict global standards or policies.
- Develop strong, **sophisticated approaches** based on assessment methods and tools companies use for human rights due diligence.

Content:

- Ethical and legal standards, duties, and expectations of companies.
- Practical guidance for developing corporate strategies and due diligence consistent with international human rights standards.
- Sector-specific and thematic issues on the human rights and business agenda, including issues of contemporary relevance such as operating during pandemics and dealing with challenges of technology.
- Effectiveness of existing and proposed national and international standards, both mandatory and voluntary.

Course themes are driven in part by topical issues in business and human rights - details of 2021 curriculum will be announced early summer.

Course details:

- Online over 4 weekends: **17-19 Sept, 15-17 Oct, 12-14 Nov, 26-28 Nov 2021**
- A mixture of lectures, group work, and mandatory written assignments
- Available to masters students, professionals and anyone interested in business and human rights (15 ECTS)
- NOK 19 000,-

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