

Myanmar Centre for  
Responsible Business



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## Building an Effective EIA Process for Offshore Oil and Gas Operations

MCRB convened a meeting between government, offshore oil and gas companies and others on July 11 in Naypyidaw to discuss lessons learned from the Initial Environmental Examination (IEE) / Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) process and to look ahead to future offshore activity including the drilling of exploration wells in the 2016/2017 season. A full meeting report will be published soon, but in the meantime you can access the meeting summary and presentations.

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## Responsible Business 101 training

MCRB, together with Peace Nexus, International Alert and Martin Pun of Myanmar Business Coalition on Aid (MBCA), held a workshop with basic training about responsible business on July 27-28 in Myawadi. Around 25 participants included business representatives from timber production, farming, construction, local CSOs and Karen ethnic armed organisations.

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## Coming Soon: Workshop on Human Rights

MCRB is organising a workshop for companies on developing a company human rights policy on 5th of September, 2016 (Yangon, location tbc). This workshop is open to all Myanmar businesses interested in developing or improving their approach to respecting human rights and communicating what they do to their stakeholders. Material from a similar workshop in 2014 is available [here](#).

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## MCRB at Australia-Myanmar Chamber of Commerce's "Good Governance in Mining Seminar" in Nay Pyi Taw

MCRB's Extractives Programme Manager, Aung Kyaw Soe, spoke at the seminar 'Good Governance in Mining: Best Practice Environmental and Social Impact Solutions' organised by Australia-Myanmar Chamber of Commerce in Nay Pyi Taw on 27 July and presented emerging findings from MCRB's Sector-Wide Impact Assessment. MCRB's work on Mining SWIA is underway and consultation on the final draft is planned to take place in early October.

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## MCRB and the Danish Institute address Seminar on Business and Human Rights in Tokyo

Vicky Bowman, Director of MCRB, and Allan Lerberg Jorgensen, Director, Human Rights and Development Department, of the Danish Institute for Human Rights (DIHR), one of MCRB's co-founding organisations, made presentations to a seminar on 29 June in Tokyo on 'Responsible Business, Responsible Supply Chain: How should Japan implement UN Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights in its policy and practice?'

The seminar was organised by the [Institute of Developing Economies/Japan External Trade Organisation](#) (IDE-JETRO), with the support of the Japanese Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry (METI) and attended by over 200 participants.

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## Publications

An article by MCRB's Donna Guest on the first years of Myanmar Centre for Responsible Business and the lessons it might offer for initiatives on business and human rights in other countries has been published in Vol 1, issue 2 of the Cambridge University Press Journal of Business and Human Rights. You can read the abstract on MCRB's website.

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**PWINT THIT SA PROJECT**  
Transparency in Myanmar Enterprises

## Third Transparency in Myanmar Enterprise (TiME) report (Pwin Thit Sa) due to be published in September

MCRB is finalising its third Transparency in Myanmar Enterprise (TiME) report ( Pwin Thit Sa) for 2016, which assesses the corporate websites of the one hundred largest taxpaying companies in Myanmar for information on anti-corruption programmes, organisational transparency, and human rights, health, safety and environment (HSE). This year's report includes a slightly revised scoring criteria and improved performances by some of Myanmar's largest companies. It is due for publication around 1 September 2016.

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