



Introduction to the Voluntary Principles on Security and Human Rights in Myanmar

Tuesday 27th November 0900-1300, M Gallery, Naypyidaw

Thursday 29th November 2018, 0900-1230, Rose Garden Hotel, Yangon

These half-day workshops are organised by Myanmar Centre for Responsible Business as Secretariat to the in-country Steering Group of the Voluntary Principle on Security and Human Rights (VPSHR). The workshops will explain the VPSHR to relevant stakeholders in Myanmar, including government officials, security companies, extractives companies, and other stakeholders, and discuss how they could be implemented in Myanmar.

THE VOLUNTARY PRINCIPLES ON SECURITY AND HUMAN RIGHTS were established in 2000 as a multi-stakeholder initiative (MSI) involving governments, companies, and non-governmental organizations that promotes implementation of a set of principles that companies in the extractives industries on providing security for their operations in a manner that respects human rights. Specifically, the Voluntary Principles guide companies in conducting a comprehensive human rights risk assessment in their engagement with public and private security providers to ensure human rights are respected in the protection of company facilities and premises. Please see attached factsheet for further information or visit www.voluntaryprinciples.org.

The workshops will:

- Introduce the Voluntary Principles on Security and Human Rights (VPSHR) and the Myanmar In-Country Working Group
- Explain how they are relevant to the human rights impacts of the extractives industries in Myanmar
- Share good practice, experience and lessons learnt in implementing of the Voluntary Principles from companies which are VPI members, including from other countries
- Identify how to promote uptake of the VPSHR in Myanmar by extractives companies, their security providers and other sectors

AGENDA

| Time | | Presenter |
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| 09:00 | Welcome | <p>Romarc Roignan, General Manager TOTAL Myanmar and Co-Chair of the Myanmar VPSHR Steering Committee</p> <p>[YGN only] Douglas Barnes, Head of Trade and Investment Section, UK Embassy (on behalf of David Hall, Deputy Head of Mission, and Co-Chair of the Steering Committee</p> |
| 09:15- 10:15 | <p>What are the Voluntary Principles on Security and Human Rights?</p> <p>How are they relevant to Myanmar, including to PSCs, Myanmar Investment Law, Environment Impact Assessment/Management Plan etc</p> <p>Introduction to in-Country Working Group</p> <p>Role of NGOs and CSOs in the VPSHR</p> | <p>Vicky Bowman, Director, Myanmar Centre for Responsible Business</p> <p>[YGN only] Jana Naujoks, International Alert</p> |
| | Coffee break | |
| 10:30- 11:45 | Company perspective on roles of companies, government, civil society and others in the VPSHR | Hubert de Bremond d’Ars , Corporate Security, TOTAL S.A. |
| | Responsibilities of companies including contractual terms, security management plans, training and awareness | Bruce Towie , Business Resilience Manager, Woodside Myanmar |
| | Dealing with complaints and grievances | David McGinnis , Senior Adviser, Global Issues and Public Policy, Chevron |
| | What do the VPs mean for offshore operations? | Simon Cutler , Emerging Risks Manager (Security Strategy and Assurance department), Shell |
| | Practical experience and lessons learnt in implementing of the Voluntary Principles in Myanmar and elsewhere | [YGN only] Jay Martin , Country Representative, Myanmar, PanAust |
| 11:45 | Q and A/Discussion and Next Steps | Moderated by Vicky Bowman |