

NGO Breakfast Discussion

On the road to Paris: where are the TNCs?

Tuesday 7 July, 8:30 am, Centre d'accueil de la Genève internationale (CAGI)

In conjunction with the meeting of the Working Group on an International Legally Binding Instrument on TNCs

Climate change is one of the main challenge for the survival of our societies. While it remains to be seen whether the expected agreement in Paris on a follow-up of the Kyoto Protocol can serve as a 'silver bullet', the conference will provide a unique opportunity to anticipate and coordinate actions to prevent the worst trends of climate change. On this road to Paris, States seem to want to transfer an increasing amount of capacity and responsibility to act to local or private actors. This new development is clearly reflected in the "Agenda of Solutions" which will register the commitments of private corporations and local authorities.

What role will human rights play in this emerging approach? In the context of human rights being threatened (and often already violated) by the impact of climate change as well as by improper climate measures, is this evolving approach another threat to human rights? Does it also provide opportunities to reinforce respect for human rights?

Agenda

Contributions: Examples of the impact of TNCs and companies on climate change and human rights

– Budi Tjahjono, Franciscans International

Climate Change at the Human Rights Council

– Yves Lador, Earthjustice

Human rights in the UNFCCC framework

– Sébastien Duyck, University of Lapland and CIEL

What is planned in Paris for the "Solution Agenda"

– TBC

Open discussion: How can we ensure business corporations take human rights into account when taking measures on climate change?

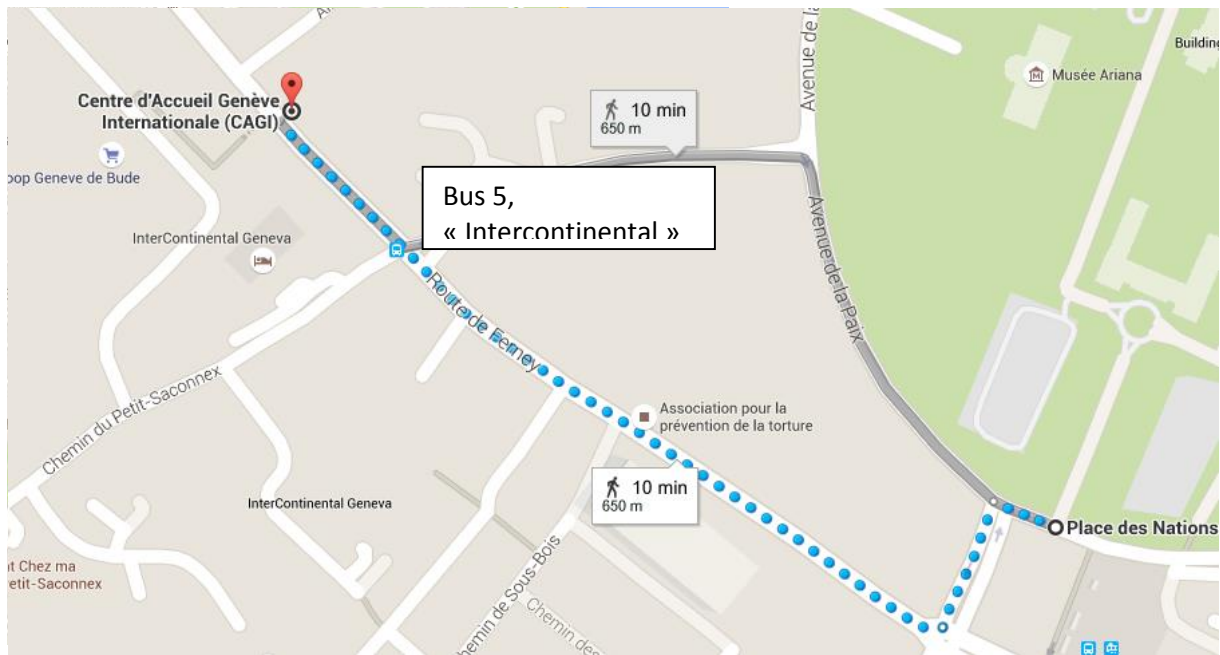
Moderation: Hannah Peters, FES Geneva

Venue of the meeting:

**CENTRE D'ACCUEIL
GENEVE INTERNATIONALE (CAGI)**
Route de Ferney 106
1202 Genève

From Place the Nations it is a 10 minute walk to CAGI.

If you are coming by bus: Take bus no. 5 and get off at “*Intercontinental*” (please see the map below):



The meeting room is in the first building on the left side, 2nd floor:



Coffee and Croissants will be provided