Invitation

Implementing Respect for Human Rights in Sporting Events:
Two years to go for the 2020 Tokyo Olympic & Paralympic Games

Organisers: The Centre for Sport and Human Rights & Caux Round Table Japan
Venue: AP Tokyo Marunouchi, Tokyo, Japan (at 1-1-3, Marunouchi, Chiyoda, Tokyo)
Date: 10th September 2018, 09:00-15:30
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The Tokyo 2020 Organising Committee for the Olympic & Paralympic Games (TOCOG) has been engaging on sustainability issues since it was awarded the Games in 2013. This includes a High Level Sustainability Plan, Games Sustainability Policy, Sustainable Sourcing Code and specific sector supplements on timber, palm oil, fisheries, agricultural products, livestock, and paper. In April 2018, TOCOG established a grievance mechanism in relation to sourcing impacts.

In September 2017, a workshop was convened in Japan bringing TOCOG together with local and international sponsors, civil society, and expert organisations. Focusing on human rights risks, best practices, and grievance mechanisms, the objective of the workshop was to support all actors involved in preparing and delivering the Tokyo 2020 Games to fully embrace and operationalise their human rights duties and responsibilities.

Twelve months later, on 10th September 2018, a follow-on workshop is being convened again in Tokyo, hosted by the Centre for Sport and Human Rights and Caux Round Table Japan. The workshop will review progress over the past year by different host actors in Japan to respond to potential impacts associated with the Games and what remains with two years to go until the 2020 Games.

Japanese-English translation will be provided.

Prior registration is required. Please rsvp to: https://business-form-mailer.jp/fmc/e5e9741a91236
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09:00-09:30 REGISTRATION

09:30-09:45 WELCOME AND INTRODUCTION

- Hironori Yano (Chairman, Caux Round Table Japan)
- William Rook (Deputy Chief Executive, Centre for Sport and Human Rights)

09:45-10:15 KEYNOTES – JAPAN, OLYMPISM, AND HUMAN RIGHTS

Session aim: Overview of Japanese Government and International Olympic Committee commitments to human rights and sustainability.

- Yoshiyuki Mitani (Senior Policy Coordinator, Secretariat of the Headquarters for the Tokyo 2020 Olympic and Paralympic Games, Cabinet Secretariat
- International Olympic Committee (tbc)

10:15-11:00 OVERVIEW OF PROGRESS MADE ON HUMAN RIGHTS

Session aim: Overview of the various prevention and remedy mechanisms associated with the Tokyo 2020 Games.

- Yuki Arata (Tokyo 2020 Organising Committee)
- Atsushi Yoshida (Section Chief, Inspection Division, Labour Standards Bureau, Japanese Ministry of Health, Labour, and Welfare) (tbc)
- Kenichi Masamato (Director, OECD Division, Economic Affairs Bureau, Japanese Ministry of Foreign Affairs)
- Chaired by: Haley St. Dennis (Senior Advisor, Centre for Sport & Human Rights)

11:00-12:30 SPECIFIC LEARNING IN RELATION TO REMEDIES

Session aim: Review stakeholders’ reflections on progress of the mechanisms available for Tokyo 2020 over the last 12 months and their expectations for the remaining two years.

- Takuya Yamazaki (Executive Committee member, World Players Association)
- Kania Doi (Japan Director, Human Rights Watch)
- Shoya Yoshida (General Secretary, ITUC-AP) (tbc)
• Ambet Yuson (General Secretary, Building & Woodworkers International)
• Chaired by: Hiroshi Ishida (Executive Director, Caux Round Table Japan)

12:30-13:30 LUNCH BREAK

Lunch not provided - participants are able to visit the venue’s shops and restaurants.

13:30-15:00 THE KEY IMPLEMENTATION STEPS FOR THE NEXT 12 MONTHS

Session aim: Examples of effectiveness and good practices in other contexts and sectors.

• Ambet Yuson (General Secretary, Building & Woodworkers International)
• Cristina Tebar Less (Head of Responsible Business Conduct Unit, OECD) (tbc)
• Dan D’Ambrosio (Associate, International Business & Human Rights, DLA Piper)
• Archana Kotecha (Head of Legal Department, Liberty Asia)
• International Labour Organization (tbc)
• Chaired by: William Rook (Deputy Chief Executive, Centre for Sport and Human Rights)

15:15-15:30 FINAL REFLECTIONS FROM THE ORGANISERS

• William Rook (Deputy Chief Executive, Centre for Sport and Human Rights)
• Hiroshi Ishida (Executive Director, Caux Round Table Japan)