

European Commission activities on CSR 2013

Implementing the CSR Communication

Annual Review meeting on CSR Brussels, 20 December 2013



AGENDA FOR ACTION



EUROPEAN COMMISSION

Brussels, 25.10.2011 COM(2011) 681 final

COMMUNICATION FROM THE COMMISSION TO THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT, THE COUNCIL, THE EUROPEAN ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COMMITTEE AND THE COMMITTEE OF THE REGIONS

A renewed EU strategy 2011-14 for Corporate Social Responsibility

- 1. Enhancing **visibility** (Multi-stakeholder sector-based platforms, and award scheme for enterprise-stakeholder partnerships)
- 2. Improve and **tracking levels of trust** in business (consider measures on green washing, and surveys of citizen perceptions)
- 3. Code of good practice for **self- and co-regulation**
- 4. Enhancing **market reward for CSR** (consumption, investment, public procurement)
- 5. Legislative proposal on company disclosure of social and environmental information
- 6. CSR in **education**, training and research
- 7. Importance of **national and sub-national CSR policies**
- 8. Better alignment of European and global approaches on CSR



POLICY MEASURES /SUPPORT ACTIONS



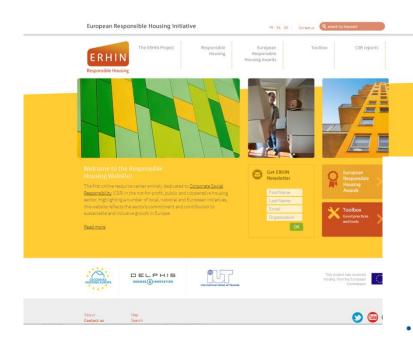


European CSR awards





Launch of sector-specific multi-stakeholder platforms







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DEFINING SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY INTERVENTIONS FOR A GROUNDED NETWORKING IN MACHINE TOOLS SECTOR





Flash Eurobarometer 363

HOW COMPANIES INFLUENCE OUR SOCIETY: CITIZENS' VIEW

REPORT

Fieldwork: October-November 2012

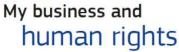
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2013 guiding material

- For SMEs (My Business and Human Rights)
- Five SME case studies
- Sector guidance notes (ICT, Oil & Gas, Employment & Recruitment Agencies)





A guide to human rights for small and medium-sized enterprises





De-mystifying Human Rights for Small and Medium-sized Enterprises



COMPLEMENTARY CSR-RELATED REGULATORY ACTIVITIES



 Country by Country Reporting

Proposal on non-financial information reporting

See presentation from DG MARKT later







Proposal on Public Procurement – key provisions, update on progress

Political Agreement in summer 2013, probable adoption March 2014

Social, labour and environmental concerns were included in the

following areas:

- Award decisions (Art. 54 (2))
- Exclusion grounds (Art. 55)
- Rejection of a tender (Art. 69 (4))
- Conditions for the performance of contracts (Art. 70)



Unfair Commercial Practices

- March 2013: Review of the application of the Unfair Commercial Practices Directive
- New plans to step up enforcement of the rules
- Aims to increase citizens' trust, including green washing concerns



Discussions on discussion on responsible sourcing of minerals from conflict areas

- Public consultation on interested parties'
 views on a potential EU initiative for
 responsible sourcing of minerals coming from
 conflict-affected and high-risk areas (closed
 on 26 June 2013)
 - 280 replies, three quarters from business.
 - Over 80% of the respondents indicated that business is interested in responsible sourcing.
 - Over 30% were already doing some due diligence either voluntarily or because they are required to.



THANK YOU

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http://ec.europa.eu/enterprise/policies/sustainable-business/corporate-social-responsibility/index en.htm