

23 – 25 November 2017, Course

# Business, Conflict & Human Rights

Learn and exchange about challenges and best practices for responsible business in conflict contexts.



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## Course Topic

What is needed for businesses to operate responsibly in volatile areas? The course explores this question from various angles. It discusses state of the art international standards on business and human rights and ways for companies to implement them. It sheds light on the roles and strategies of companies, governments, international organizations and civil society in promoting responsible business practices.

## Your Benefits

- Become familiar with relevant regulations, and initiatives at national and international levels
- Learn about best practices and improve your ability to practically implement and promote responsible business conduct
- Develop a tailor-made action plan for one of your current projects to guide future implementation
- Better understand the perspectives of other stakeholder groups
- Enlarge your network of international practitioners and experts

Course methodologies include expert inputs, peer exchange, case studies, group exercises, individual skills training and self-study.

## Faculty

Leading scholars and experienced practitioners from swisspeace and Safestainable facilitate this course. External speakers include high-level representatives from companies, governments and civil society organizations.

## Participants

This course is designed for practitioners from business, civil society and government involved in promoting responsible business in volatile areas. It may be particularly interesting for participants attending the UN Forum on Business and Human Rights in Geneva, taking place from 27 – 29 November just after the course.

## Dates, Venue & Further Information

23 – 25 November 2017 in Basel, Switzerland.

Registration deadline is 30 September 2017.

This 3-day course can be taken as one module of the Certificate, Diploma and Master of Advanced Studies in Civilian Peacebuilding programs offered by swisspeace and the University of Basel.

Please visit [swisspeace.ch/courses](http://swisspeace.ch/courses) or contact [academy@swisspeace.ch](mailto:academy@swisspeace.ch) for more information.

## Hosts

The course is offered jointly by swisspeace and Safestainable. swisspeace is a practice-oriented peace research institute with extensive experience in consulting public and private actors on responsible business conduct in conflict areas. Safestainable is an independent consultancy firm enabling companies operating in volatile zones to manage strategic and operational non-financial risks and to create sustainable business opportunities.

Partner:



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Photo: Fruit vendors line up to sell produce in the damaged Shaar neighborhood of Aleppo, Syria. REUTERS / Jalal Al-Mamo, 2014

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