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Mark Hodge, Executive Director, Global Business Initiative on Human Rights ([www.global-business-initiative.org](http://www.global-business-initiative.org)). GBI exists to advance human rights in a business context around the world. The underlying vision is a global community of corporations from all sectors knowing and showing that they respect the dignity and rights of the people they impact and interact with. GBI is led by a core group of 18 major corporations headquartered in Asia, Europe, Latin America, Middle East, North Africa and North America. In his role of Executive Director, Mark oversees GBIs Member Peer Learning and Global Business Outreach programs, as well as leading the initiative's engagement with policy leaders and stakeholders. In recent years, Mark's work on Business and Human Rights has been focused on trends, practices and actors in emerging and developing markets with a keen interest on natural resources and conflict. Alongside speaking at international conferences, Mark has done field visits, assessments, and workshops about human rights and business in a range of countries across Latin America, Asia and the Middle East. In India, where Mark was based between 2008 and 2012, he worked actively with business, government and civil society organizations seeking to embed the UN "Protect, Respect, Remedy" Framework and Guiding Principle within government guidelines, NGO private-sector-engagement strategies, India's Universal Periodic Review, and business associations and initiatives. Mark is a trained facilitator with experience in scenario planning, conflict resolution and organisational learning.

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