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ROUNDTABLE ON

CORPORATE LIABILITY FOR VIOLATION OF HUMAN RIGHTS

Monday 29.October 2012, 14.30-16.30

in Auditorium 13, Domus media, Karl Johans gate 47, Oslo

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PROGRAMME

- 14.30 Welcome – Professor dr.juris *Giuditta Cordero-Moss*, University of Oslo
- 14.35-14.55 Corporate liability for violation of human rights: Presentation of the OECD Guidelines for Multinational Enterprises – *Hege Røttingen* (Head of Secretariat, Norwegian OECD National Contact Point)

The OECD Guidelines for Multinational Enterprises are recommendations from OECD member governments to enterprises with international operations, and promote sustainable development through responsible management, trade and investment. For more information and the text of the guidelines: http://www.regjeringen.no/en/sub/styrer-rad-utvalg/ncp_norway/ncp_norway/key_themes.html?id=642392

As a member of the OECD, Norway is required to establish a national contact point, a so-called grievance mechanism. The contact point provides information about the OECD Guidelines and handles complaints regarding possible breaches of the Guidelines by Norwegian companies with international operations. For more information: http://www.regjeringen.no/en/sub/styrer-rad-utvalg/ncp_norway/contact_point_norway.html?id=664916

- 14.55-15.15 Corporate liability for violation of human rights: International jurisdiction and applicable law. Presentation of the 2012 International Law Association Sofia Guidelines on Best Practices for International Civil Litigation for Human Rights Violations – Professor *Catherine Kessedjian*, University of Panthéon-Assas, Paris II, Chair of the ILA Committee on International civil litigation and the interests of the public

The Guidelines on Best Practices for International Civil Litigation for Human Rights Violations (text to be found at <http://www.ila-hq.org/download.cfm/docid/F784A3AA-7030-433D-96833C48F941FB28>) were adopted at the 2012 ILA Conference in Sofia and are commended to the attention of: (1) National courts and law reform agencies, with a view to facilitating the progressive development of the law on this subject; (2) Organisations concerned with international legal co-operation, with a view to considering measures at the international level of mutual co-



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operation in the field of transnational human rights violations; **(3)** The Working Group on the issue of human rights and transnational corporations and other business enterprises.

The Guidelines are accompanied by a report, that can be found at

<http://www.ila-hq.org/download.cfm/docid/D7AFA4C8-E599-40FE-B6918B239B949698>

15.15-16.00

Comments by:

Supreme Court Justice dr. juris *Henrik Bull*, Supreme Court of Norway

Counsel *Malin Helgesen*, Vinge, Stockholm

Former Senior Vice President Corporate Governance, Orkla ASA *Hilde Myrberg*

Professor dr.juris *Beate Sjøffjell*, University of Oslo

16.00-16.30

Discussion

In the framework of the research project **Arbitration and Party Autonomy**

<http://www.jus.uio.no/ifp/forskning/prosjekter/apa/index.html>

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