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and Business Side Event*

Title:

Turning Commitment into Impact: Collaborative Pathways to Prevent and Remediate Child Labour in Supply Chains

Keywords

Examples: SDG 8.7; Child Labour; Collaboration; Remediation; HRDD; Human Rights Due Diligence; Mining & Metals; Action Hubs

Background & Rationale

How can businesses work collaboratively to achieve real, scalable, and lasting on-the-ground impact in addressing child labour within complex supply chains?

This online side session at the Sixth Global Conference on the Elimination of Child Labour will explore practical, scalable and collaborative approaches to preventing and remediating child labour across high-risk supply chains, drawing on examples from metals and minerals supply chains. Bringing together speakers from government, business, and those working on-the-ground to prevent and remediate child labour, the session will focus on what works in practice—and how collective action can drive systemic change.

The discussion will explore drivers of child labour, particularly in upstream, informal and smallholder contexts such as artisanal and small-scale mining. Through real-world case studies from copper and cobalt Artisanal and Small-Scale Mining (ASM) in the Democratic Republic of the Congo (DRC), speakers will share actionable insights on identifying risk factors, delivering effective remediation, and supporting decent work for adults and youth.

Key Objectives

Participants will learn about:

- Common challenges and underlying factors that contribute to child labour in high-risk sourcing contexts
- Practical examples of impactful, rights-holder-centred child labour remediation in ASM communities in the DRC
- How industry-level collaboration can accelerate progress and scaling solutions to address child labour, drawing on examples from the Information and Communication Technology (ICT) supply chain

- A clear call to action for businesses and stakeholders to engage in collective initiatives, including Child Rights Action Hubs

Session Format and target

Featuring an expert panel and an interactive audience Q&A, this session is ideal for businesses and other stakeholders seeking practical examples of how to turn commitments into measurable, on-the-ground impact to address child labour.

Session Flow

Slot	Segment	Lead	Description / Notes
3-5 mins	Welcome & Introduction	Moderator / MC	Welcome & introduction to theme, session objectives, housekeeping
45	Pannel Discussion	Speakers from FCDO, The Centre, Businesses – Moderated by FCDO	Theme: How can businesses deliver real, lasting on-the-ground impact to address child labour in complex supply chains settings (Focus Copper and Cobalt ASM in the DRC)
10	Audience Q&A	Moderator / MC	Audience poses questions to panellists