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
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The Geneva Center for Business and Human Rights at Geneva University's Geneva School of Economics and Management, the Institute for Business Ethics at University of St. Gallen, the Center for Business and Human Rights at New York University's Stern School of Business, and the Business and Human Rights Journal (BHRJ) are pleased to welcome you to the 6th Business and Human Rights Young Researchers Summit.

We hope you will enjoy the virtual Summit and we look forward to an excellent event!



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We would like to thank Nestlé for co-sponsoring this year's Summit.



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I. BHR Young Researchers Network

Connecting with Fellow BHR Scholars

The BHR Young Researchers Network connects young scholars in the business and human rights field, including alumni participants, current participants and anyone who is interested in the field.

The platform gives you the opportunity to connect with fellow researchers: keep in touch, share information, and research ideas, etc.

As participants of the BHR Young Researchers Summit, you are automatically part of the network. At the moment, we use a listserv.

More information about the Summit and past events can be found here:

- Geneva School of Economics and Management, Geneva Center for Business and Human Rights:
<https://gcbhr.org/focus/business-education/young-researchers-summit>
- NYU Stern, Center for Business and Human Rights:
<https://bhr.stern.nyu.edu/young-researchers-summit>

Sharing with Fellow BHR Scholars



Interest in our Summit is increasing. You can help us raise the profile of the event further by sharing your experience! Please connect to each other on twitter and tweet/retweet about the Summit using the hashtag #BHR_YRS. Connect with the organizers @DoroBauPau and @bhrwettstein.



You are also welcome to join our Facebook group to facilitate the interaction:
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/182376569061417/>

II. Organizing Committee



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Dorothee Baumann-Pauly is a business ethics scholar with extensive practical experience working on the implementation of human rights in multi-stakeholder settings. Since 2013, she is the Director of Research at the NYU Stern Center for Business and Human Rights, managing its strategic, industry-specific research agenda. Since 2019, she directs the Geneva Center for Business and Human Rights at Geneva University's School for Economics and Management.

She has published widely on topics at the intersection of business ethics, corporate responsibility, private governance mechanisms and human rights and serves on the editorial board of the *Business and Human Rights Journal*. She is the author of *Managing Corporate Legitimacy* (Greenleaf 2013) and the co-editor of *Business and Human Rights – From Principles to Practice* (Routledge 2016), the first textbook on business and human rights.

Dorothee received a PhD in economics from the University of Zurich (Switzerland), an MA in Political Science from Rutgers University (USA) and an MA in Public Policy and Management from the University of Constance (Germany). She teaches business and human rights related subjects at HEC Lausanne, NYU Stern and other academic institutions in the US and Europe.



Florian Wettstein

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Florian Wettstein holds a PhD in business ethics from the University of St.Gallen. He is a past fellow of the Program on Human Rights and Justice at MIT and held previous faculty positions at York University (Toronto) and University of St. Thomas (Minneapolis/St. Paul).

Florian's research focuses predominantly on the intersection between business ethics and human rights. His article titled "CSR and the Debate on Business and Human Rights: Bridging the Great Divide" won the Business Ethics Quarterly best paper award in 2012. Florian is the author of "Multinational Corporations and Global Justice: Human Rights Obligations of a Quasi-Governmental Institution", published by Stanford University Press in 2009.

Florian is Vice-President of the International Society of Business, Economics, and Ethics (ISBEE) and of the Global Business and Human Rights Scholars Association (BR2R) as well as Editor-in-Chief of the *Business and Human Rights Journal (BHRJ)*, published by Cambridge University Press.



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Pascale Chavaz is a research associate at the Geneva Center for Business and Human Rights. She supports Prof. Dorothée Baumann-Pauly and her team in all aspects of the Center's activities from research and communication to teaching and administration.

Before joining the GCBHR, she had mostly worked in the academic world and civil society in the field of ethics, socially responsible investing, and philosophy. She co-authored a book on Sovereign Wealth Funds and their regulation (Globethics, 2016). Pascale also works as a freelance certified coach and neuro-linguistic programming master practitioner.

She holds a bachelor's degree in Philosophy and Linguistics from the University of Geneva, and a master's degree in Applied Ethics from Sherbrooke University.



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Rim Bitar is a Ph.D candidate and a teaching assistant at the Geneva School of Economics and Management. Her field of interest is business and human rights, especially in complex environments. Before joining the Geneva Center for Business and Human Rights, Rim has had assisting experience in other research centers, including at the Institut de Recherche et d'Action contre la Fraude et le Plagiat Academique (IRAFPA) and Observatoire des Valeurs de la Stratégie et du Management (OVSM). She joined the GCBHR in September 2020.

Rim is a graduate of the University of Geneva with a bachelor's degree in Management and a master's degree in Management and Marketing.

III. Guests



Uma Mishra-Newbery

Uma Mishra-Newbery is a global social justice and women's rights leader, transformative speaker and the former Executive Director of Women's March Global. Her transparent, visionary yet grounded leadership was instrumental in furthering the mobilization and assembly of women globally around women's rights issues with Women's March Global.

Uma has organized and built coalitions around the issues of women's human rights defenders, freedom of association and assembly, bodily autonomy, LGBTQIA+ rights, and white supremacy in the women's rights and funding space. As a leader in the global women's rights movement Uma has been interviewed by CNN, AlJazeera, Jane Dutton, Newsweek, Devex and published by Ms. Magazine, TIME, and IPS.

Uma helped to bring Saudi women's rights activist Loujain AlHathloul's story to the United Nations and was instrumental in coordinating efforts for Lina AlHathloul's first statement in support of Loujain at the United Nations Human Rights Council. Uma and Lina are co-authors of the upcoming children's picture book, "Loujain Dreams of Sunflowers."

Uma has been profiled by the Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights in their, "I Stand with Her Campaign" and is a noted speaker at global conferences. She currently serves on the board of directors of Minority Veterans of America and Women's March Global, is a campaign organizer for #FreeLoujain and is the Initiator of and lead facilitator for The Racial Equity Index.



Christoph Good

Christoph Good is an experienced trial lawyer and criminal defense attorney. He focuses primarily on the following areas: Probate law, Criminal Law, Employment law, Fundamental and human rights.

He represents private individuals as well as companies and authorities before the courts and works mainly before the courts of the cantons of Zurich, Schwyz and St. Gallen. In addition, Christoph Good has co-authored various legal opinions for federal offices (SECO/EDA/OFJ) in the field of "Business & Human Rights" and advises companies on the development and implementation of human rights. due diligence systems.

Christoph Good has been an attorney since 2014 and is one of the founding partners of Good Rechtsanwälte. Prior to that, he worked as a professor of international law and international human rights protection at the Andrassy University in Budapest, as managing director of the competence center for human rights at the University of Zurich and at the district court of Werdenberg-Sarganserland. He obtained his bachelor's and doctorate degrees at the University of St. Gallen.

In addition to his work as a lawyer, he is a lecturer at the University of Zurich and secretary of the Robert F. Kennedy Foundation for Human Rights. He is also a member of the BHRight Initiative.

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V. Agenda

Overview

16 th September		Thursday
9:00 am	Walk to University	Meeting: Hotel Lobby
10:00 am – 10:30 am	Welcome and Introduction <i>Florian Wettstein & Dorothee Baumann-Pauly</i>	UniMail - M3250
10:30 am – 12:00 pm	Panel 1	
12:00 pm – 1:30 pm	Lunch	UniMail - Novae
1:30 pm – 2:30 pm	Panel 2 a	UniMail - M3250
2:30 pm – 3:00 pm	Coffee Break	
3:00 pm – 4:00 pm	Panel 2 b	
6:30 pm – open end	Conference Dinner	Bains des Pâquis
17 th September		Friday
8:15 am	Walk to University	Meeting: Hotel Lobby
9:00 am – 10:45 am	Workshop by Uma Mishra-Newbery	UniMail - M3250
10:45 am – 11:15 am	Coffee Break	
11:15 am – 12:15 pm	Panel 3	
12:15 pm – 1:45 pm	Lunch	UniMail - Novae
1:45 pm – 3:15 pm	Panel 4	UniMail - M3250
3:15 pm – 5:00 pm	Information Session and Closure <i>Florian Wettstein & Dorothee Baumann-Pauly</i>	UniMail – M3250 / Lucha Libre

Detailed Agenda – Thursday

16 th September		Thursday
9:00 am	Walk to University	Meeting: Hotel Lobby
10:00 am – 10:30 am	Welcome and Introduction <i>Florian Wettstein & Dorothee Baumann-Pauly</i>	UniMail - M3250
10:30 am – 12:00 pm	Panel 1 Justin Jos Poonjatt (comment Anthony Kapeta) <i>Defining Legal Waivers</i> Si Chen (comment Justin Jos Poonjatt) <i>The Rising Role of Chinese Transnational Corporations as Non-state Actors in Transnational Labour Law: A Critical Investigation into Chinese Mining Transnational Corporations in the Global Cobalt Supply Chain</i> Anthony Kapeta (comment Si Chen) <i>The OECD National Contact Points: Lessons from “human rights Cases” over the Democratic Republic of the Congo conflicts</i>	
12:00 pm – 1:30 pm	Lunch	UniMail - Novae
1:30 pm – 2:30 pm	Panel 2 a Alison Holm (comment Cynthia Kwakyewah) <i>Forms of Conflict-led Convergence in Issue Fields: A Study of the Transnational Issue Field of Business and Human Rights</i> Michael Rogerson (comment Samantha Hopkins) <i>The Accounting Profession and Modern Slavery: Abdicating Responsibility?</i>	UniMail - M3250
2:30 pm – 3:00 pm	Coffee Break	
3:00 pm – 4:00 pm	Panel 2 b Cynthia Kwakyewah (comment Alison Holm) <i>Corporate human rights abuses in Ghana’s extractive industries: Uncovering patterns and trends</i> Samantha Hopkins (comment Michael Rogerson) <i>How do corporations engage with their own relationship with harm through denial?</i>	
4:00 pm	Walk through the city	
6:30 pm – open end	Conference Dinner	Bains des Pâquis Quai du Mont-Blanc 30

Detailed Agenda – Friday

17 th September		Friday
8:15 am	Walk to University	Meeting: Hotel Lobby
9:00 am – 10:45 am	Workshop on engaged scholarship by Uma Mishra-Newbery, Managing Director of The Racial Equity Index.	UniMail - M3250
10:45 am – 11:15 am	Coffee break	
11:15 am – 12:15 pm	Panel 3 Emma van den Terrell (comment Gabriela Navarro) <i>Speaking the Same Language? A moral Foundations and Thematic Analysis of the German Human Rights Due Diligence Debate</i> Stephanie Villadiego de la Hoz (comment Julia Croce) <i>Authority Spillover and the Government's Role in Bottom-up Processes of National Legal Norm Adoption: The Case of the Swiss Responsible Business Initiative</i>	
12:15 pm – 1:45 pm	Lunch	UniMail - Novae
1:45 pm – 3:15 pm	Panel 4 Gabriela Navarro (comment Stephanie Triefus) <i>Indigenous peoples, multinational companies and accountability for human rights violations: two tales from Ecuador</i> Stephanie Triefus (comment Emma van den Terrell) <i>ISDS and the UNGPs: Should businesses assess human rights impacts before initiating investor-state arbitration?</i> Julia Croce (comment Stephanie Villadiego de la Hoz) <i>The Role of CSR in Building Democracy in Fragile Countries</i>	UniMail - M3250
3:15 pm – 3:45 pm	Information Session <i>Florian Wettstein, Dorothee Baumann-Pauly</i>	UniMail - M3250
3:45 pm – 5:00 pm	Closing drinks	Lucha Libre Bd Carl-Vogt 91

VI. Information for the Summit

Zoom link

<https://unige.zoom.us/j/67683768953>

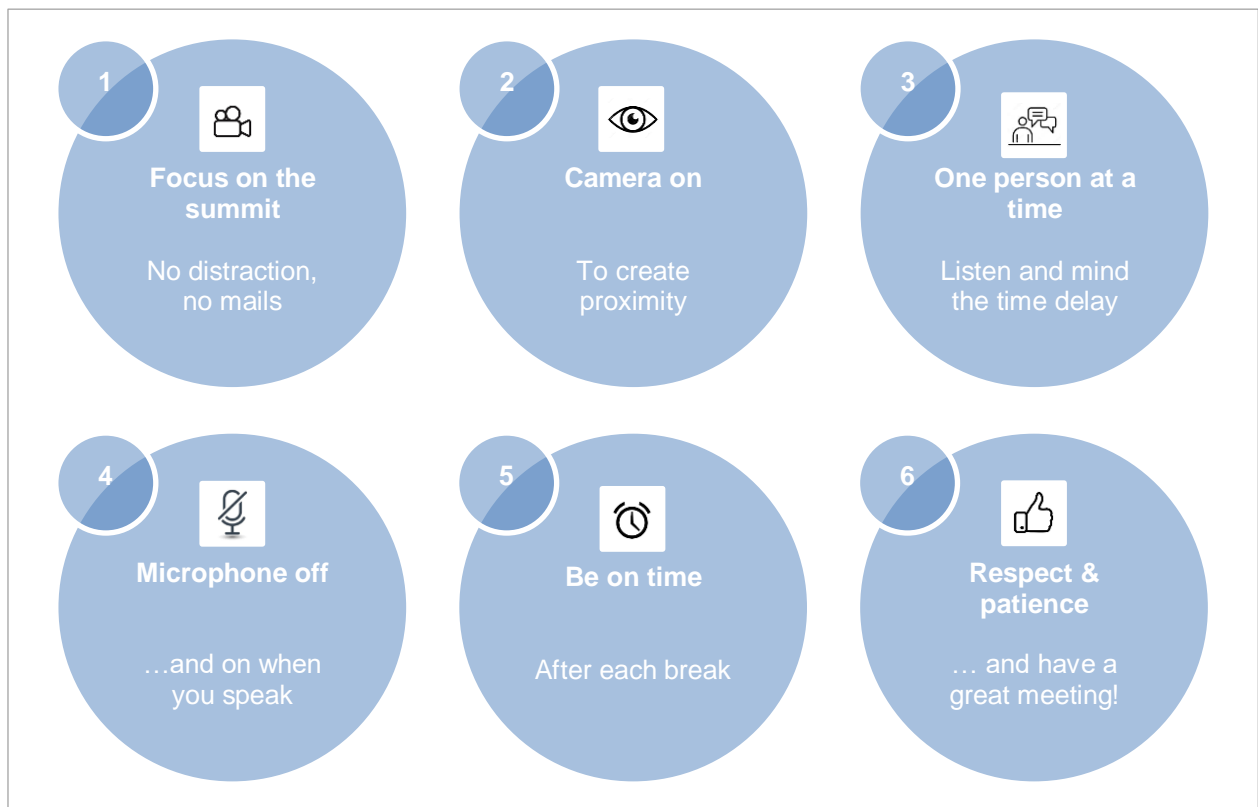
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Presentations in Sessions

- 10 minutes** Presentation of the paper
- 5 minutes** Comment by one other participant
- 15 minutes** Open discussion

If you prepare a PowerPoint presentation for your topic, please send the slides before Sept. 14 to Pascale Chavaz: pascale.chavaz@unige.ch.

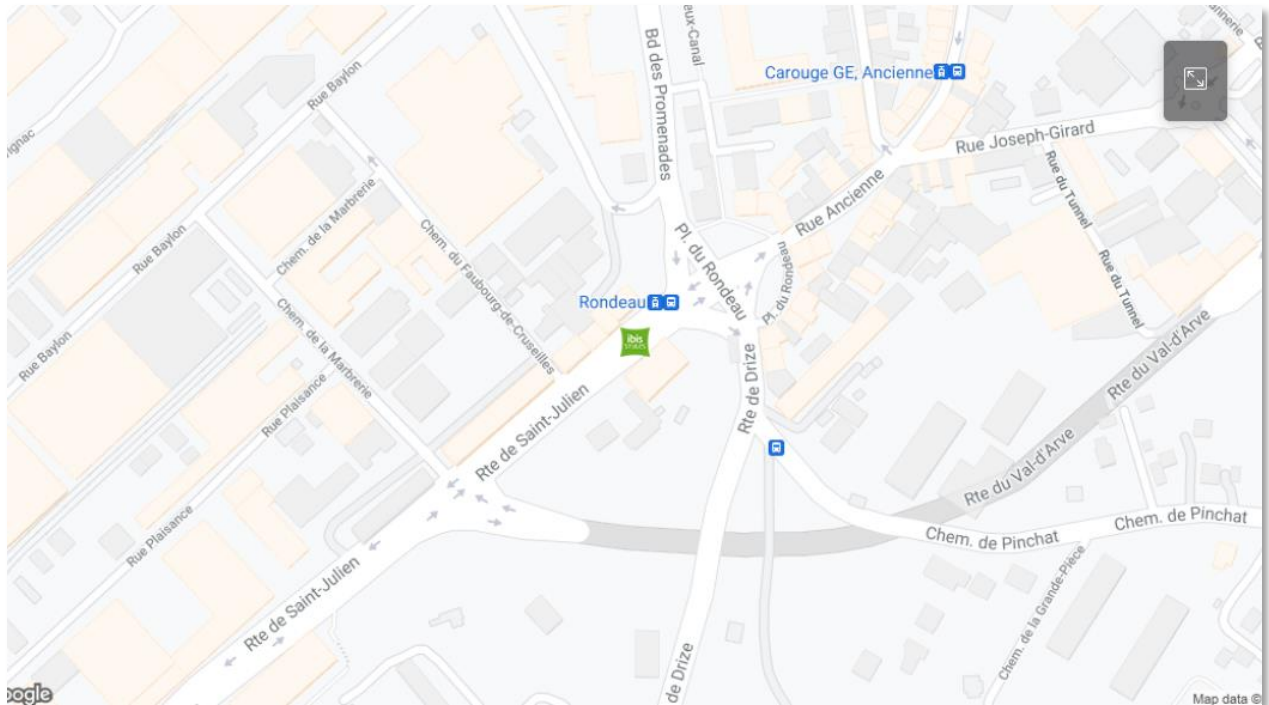
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VII. Hotel, transportation, and Covid measures

Hotel


The rooms are reserved rooms at the [Hotel Ibis Styles Geneve Carouge](#).



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[Accès et transports](#) ^

Transportation from the airport

Upon your arrival, the airport will provide you with a free ticket to your destination. The ticket machine is located next to the exit of the luggage area!

From the airport, you can take the train in order to get to the **train station “Geneva Cornavin”**. To reach the hotel from the train station, you have to take **tram 18 (direction “Pontets”)** and stop at **“Carouge Rondeau”**. The hotel is just in front of the stop.

The hotel will provide you with a transportation ticket for your whole stay. **Please take it with you on Thursday**, in case we take a boat to the Bains des Pâquis.

Covid measures

Please note that from Sept. 13, the **COVID certificate** will be made compulsory in various places.

Le Conseil fédéral étend l'utilisation du certificat 08.09.2021

A partir du **13 septembre**, le certificat COVID sera obligatoire aux endroits suivants (dès 16 ans):

Restauration à l'intérieur

- Restaurants et bars
- Discothèques et salles de danse

Culture, sport et loisirs à l'intérieur

- Musées et bibliothèques
- Lieux de loisirs
- Zoos
- Casinos
- Centres de fitness et établissements sportifs
- Entraînements*
- Piscines couvertes et parcs aquatiques
- Répétitions de musique et de théâtre*

Manifestations à l'intérieur*

- Représentations théâtrales ou séances de cinéma
- Événements sportifs
- Concerts
- Événements privés hors domicile (p. ex. mariages)

Grandes manifestations à l'extérieur

- Manifestations de plus de 1000 personnes

***Exceptions:** répétitions ou entraînements en groupes fixes (max. 30 personnes), manifestations religieuses ou servant à la formation d'une opinion politique et groupes d'entraide (max. 50 personnes).

Lieu de travail: les employeurs peuvent intégrer le certificat dans leur plan de protection à certaines conditions et après consultation du personnel.

Hautes écoles: la décision de rendre le certificat obligatoire relève des cantons et des hautes écoles.

Cette liste n'est pas exhaustive. Informations détaillées dans l'ordonnance COVID-19 situation particulière.

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UNIGE offers free COVID-19 testing. These tests are available to all members of the University community and visitors. At UniMail, the test can be done in the Central hall, opposite the Petit Édipe cafeteria, next to the tram entrance, from Monday to Thursday, from 10am to 4pm. If you wish or need to pass it, please do so **on Wednesday Sept. 15th before 4pm.**

Please note that we are not allowed to provide food or drinks in the conference room. One bottle of water per day can be provided by the hotel upon request.

VIII. Contact during the Summit

For any questions and technical issues, please contact Pascale Chavaz (pascale.chavaz@unige.ch / +41 (0)78 649 72 72) or Rim Bitar (rim.bitar@unige.ch).

