



Press release

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Four new investors join the 28 signatories in their expectations of companies in conflictaffected and high-risk areas (CAHRA), bringing together more than €1 trillion in assets under management

Last May, against a backdrop of increasing violent intra-state and inter-state conflicts around the world, 28 asset owners, asset managers and stakeholders in the international financial industry, including the Forum for Responsible Investment (FIR), with the support of the International Federation for Human Rights (FIDH) and the expertise of several NGOs and foundations, presented their expectations for companies to adopt and implement responsible human rights policies and practices in conflict and high-risk areas (CAHRA) in accordance with all applicable regulations, principles and guidelines.

Since then, the intensity of conflicts has unfortunately not diminished, and four new investors (Brunel Pension Partnership, Etica SGR, Oxfordshire Pension Fund and Vancity Investment Management) have joined this initiative, which now has 32 signatories representing more than €1 trillion in assets under management, in order to support it and affirm their position on corporate practices with regard to human rights in conflict-affected and high-risk areas (CAHRA).

In concrete terms, responsible investors warn that in such contexts, respect for internationally recognised human rights and international humanitarian law can only be guaranteed through the implementation of enhanced human rights due diligence and a set of proactive measures on the part of companies.

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