

Global Ethics and Compliance Symposium 2026

Exploring the New Frontiers of Chief Ethics and Compliance Officers in Organizations

As of April 13, 2026, subject to change

April 14, 2026, in-person side event	
13:30	Registration and reception
14:00	Welcome address Ulrike Zika, Director of Department Alpine Region Development and Member of the University Executive Board, University of Applied Sciences of the Grisons
14:05	<i>Workshop input I</i> Introduction to One Global Compact: Accelerating and Scaling Global Collective Impact David Steingard, Head of Principles for Responsible Management Education (PRME), United Nations Global Compact (UNGC)
14:15	<i>Workshop input II</i> Key Insights on PRME Chapters and Global Compact Networks Anna Caroline Czerwinska, Governance Advisor, BI Norwegian Business School
14:25	<i>Panel discussion</i> One Global Compact on Anti-Corruption Cristina Ritter, Head of Anti-Corruption and Governance, United Nations Global Compact (UNGC) Antonio Hautle, Executive Director, UN Global Compact Network Switzerland & Liechtenstein Katja Bechtel, Global Lead of Business Integrity, Transparency International Secretariat Shiv Tripathi, Dean, Berlin School of Business and Innovation Christian Hauser, Head of the PRME Business Integrity Action Center, University of Applied Sciences of the Grisons <i>Moderator:</i> David Steingard, Head of Principles for Responsible Management Education (PRME), United Nations Global Compact (UNGC)
15:10	Coffee Break

15:30	<i>Workshop</i> One Global Compact Strategy Workshop: Shaping the UNGC & PRME Collaboration with the New Head of PRME
17:10	Closing remarks David Steingard, Head of Principles for Responsible Management Education (PRME), United Nations Global Compact (UNGC)
17:45	Apéro Riche – Networking dinner with hors d’oeuvres Location: Deloitte AG, Pfingstweidstrasse 11, 8005 Zürich <i>Inspirational speech</i> Christophe Damas, Athlete, Swiss Paralympic Ski Team

April 15, 2026, hybrid: in-person and online	
8:30	Registration and reception
9:00	Opening remarks Christian Hauser, Head of the PRME Business Integrity Action Center, University of Applied Sciences of the Grisons Cristina Ritter, Head of Anti-Corruption and Governance, United Nations Global Compact (UNGC) David Steingard, Head of Principles for Responsible Management Education (PRME), United Nations Global Compact (UNGC) Patrick Wellens, Global Compliance Business Partner, Bayer, Chairman, Ethics and Compliance Switzerland (ECS)
9:15	<i>Keynote speech I</i> The Chief Ethics and Compliance Officer as Corporate Diplomat: Upholding Integrity in an Era of Polarization Peter Maurer, President of the Board, Basel Institute on Governance, Former President, International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC) <i>Moderator:</i> Christian Hauser, Head of the PRME Business Integrity Action Center, University of Applied Sciences of the Grisons
9:45	<i>Panel discussion I</i> The Geopolitical Compass: Navigating Ethics and Compliance Through an Increasingly Fragmented World Jose Godinez, Associate Professor of Management, University of Massachusetts Lowell Elena Denisova-Schmidt, Private Lecturer, University of St. Gallen, Visiting Professor, Shanghai University Philipp Luettmann, Partner, Deloitte AG Stéphane Gagnon, Associate Professor of Business Technology Management, Université du Québec en Outaouais

	<i>Moderator:</i> Julia Pilgrim, Global Coordinator for Business Integrity, United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC)
10:30	<i>Breakout session I</i> The Geopolitical Compass: Navigating Ethics and Compliance Through an Increasingly Fragmented World <i>Moderator:</i> Yves Morath, Head of Economic Affairs Section, Federal Department of Foreign Affairs (FDFA)
11:00	Coffee Break
11:30	<i>Panel discussion II</i> Beyond the Rulebook: Fusing Compliance with Ethics Yuliia Petlenko, Visiting Researcher, Copenhagen Business School (CBS) (tbc) Alexandra Levchenko, Deputy Head of Compliance, DTEK Group David Garcia Nuñez, Communication Director, FCC Construcción Katja Bechtel, Global Lead of Business Integrity, Transparency International Secretariat <i>Moderator:</i> Patrick Wellens, Global Compliance Business Partner, Bayer, Chairman, Ethics and Compliance Switzerland (ECS)
12:15	<i>Breakout session II</i> Beyond the Rulebook: Fusing Compliance with Ethics <i>Moderator:</i> Annette M. Schüller, Guest Lecturer, University of Zurich and University of St. Gallen, Board Member, Ethics and Compliance Switzerland (ECS)
12:45	Lunch break
13:45	<i>Panel discussion III</i> From Cost Center to Value Driver: How Ethics and Compliance Fuel Business Success Karem Girón, Head of Ethics and Transparency, Grupo Financiero Banrural Maximilian Burger-Scheidlin, Senior Director, International Chamber of Commerce (ICC) Austria Caterina Rossi, Junior Anti-Corruption Analyst, Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD) Stelios Zyglidopoulos, Professor of Strategic Management, Sprott School of Business, Carleton University <i>Moderator:</i> Vera Cherepanova, Executive Director, Boards of the Future

14:30	<p><i>Breakout session III</i></p> <p>From Cost Center to Value Driver: How Ethics and Compliance Fuel Business Success</p> <p><i>Moderator:</i> Shiv Tripathi, Dean, Berlin School of Business and Innovation</p>
15:00	<p><i>Keynote speech II</i></p> <p>Designing Ethics People Actually Use: Co-Design and Behavioral Science in Ethics and Compliance Programs</p> <p>Mirka Dreger, Director Ethics Advice and Early Interventions, The World Bank Group</p> <p><i>Moderator:</i> Wolfgang Amann, Professor of Strategy and Leadership, HEC Paris in Qatar</p>
15:30	Coffee Break
16:00	<p><i>Panel discussion IV</i></p> <p>From Code to Conduct: Steering Ethics and Compliance into an AI-Powered Future</p> <p>Moritz Homann, Head of Product Innovation and Artificial Intelligence, EQS Group</p> <p>Maike Scholz, Senior Compliance Expert, Deutsche Telekom, Board Member, German Association for the Digital Economy</p> <p>Raul Saccani, Professor and Director, Transparency and Governance Centre, IAE Business School, Buenos Aires</p> <p>Eleonora Viganò, Associate Member, Digital Society Initiative, University of Zurich</p> <p><i>Moderator:</i> Cecilia Garcia Podoley, Teaching Fellow, Center for AI and Digital Policy (CAIDP), Vice Chair, Ethics and Compliance Switzerland (ECS)</p>
16:45	<p><i>Breakout session IV</i></p> <p>From Code to Conduct: Steering Ethics and Compliance into an AI-Powered Future</p> <p><i>Moderator:</i> Daniel Malan, Director of the Corporate Governance Lab, Trinity Business School</p>
17:15	<p><i>Keynote speech III</i></p> <p>The Chief Ethics & Assurance Officer: Why Good Governance Calls for an Evolving Role of the Chief Compliance Officer</p> <p>Klaus Moosmayer, Member of the Supervisory Board, Deutsche Bank</p> <p><i>Moderator:</i> Cristina Ritter, Head of Anti-Corruption and Governance, United Nations Global Compact (UNGC)</p>
17:45	<p>Closing remarks</p> <p>Cristina Ritter, Head of Anti-Corruption and Governance, United Nations Global Compact (UNGC)</p>

	<p>David Steingard, Head of Principles for Responsible Management Education (PRME), United Nations Global Compact (UNGC)</p> <p>Patrick Wellens, Global Compliance Business Partner, Bayer, Chairman, Ethics and Compliance Switzerland (ECS)</p> <p>Christian Hauser, Head of the PRME Business Integrity Action Center, University of Applied Sciences of the Grisons</p>
18:00	Apéro Riche – Networking dinner with hors d’oeuvres

Event Location

FHGR Campus Zurich
 Limmatstrasse 21
 8005 Zurich
 Switzerland
 Room Z0.01

Event language

English

Start time

The Webex meeting room will open 15 minutes before the webinar starts

Organizers

The Principles for Responsible Management Education (PRME) is a United Nations-supported initiative founded in 2007 to raise the profile of sustainability in academic institutions around the world. The PRME Working Group on Anti-Corruption was established in 2008. Its purpose is to incorporate the anti-corruption principles of the United Nations Global Compact (UNGC) into academic and business discourse. Since then, the group has grown into a dynamic community that collaborates to promote integrity and combat corruption in the public, private, academic, and nonprofit sectors. The Working Group’s activities align with the seven Principles of PRME. In the area of teaching, the group develops best practice guidelines and promotes curriculum changes that integrate a business ethics approach with compliance as a fundamental component. In the area of research, the group promotes and disseminates knowledge about business ethics, integrity, and transparency from a practical perspective. The group aims to address the needs of the business community in implementing the 10th Principle of the UNGC, to contextualize discussions of these issues within specific geographic regions, and to provide practitioners with concrete tools to help them establish, enhance, and monitor effective ethics and compliance programs.

The PRME Business Integrity Action Center (BIAC) at the University of Applied Sciences of the Grisons has extensive experience conducting interdisciplinary research projects and hosting events. The event's topic lies at the intersection of the center's fields of competence "Corporate Responsibility" and "Internationalization." As an agile university, the University of Applied Sciences of the Grisons relies on dynamic thinking and proactive action. With this mindset, the university courageously and sustainably shapes the future. The university educates its more than 2,300 students to become highly qualified and responsible leaders. The university offers bachelor's, master's, and continuing education programs in architecture, civil engineering, computer and data science, mobile robotics, multimedia production, photonics, service innovation and design, supply chain management, tourism, and management. Teaching and research at the university are interdisciplinary and focused on practical business and societal challenges. In 2009, the University of Applied Sciences of the Grisons (FHGR) became the first public Swiss university to sign the Principles for Responsible Management Education (PRME). Since 2014, it has been a recognized member of the PRME Champion leadership group.

The United Nations Global Compact (UNGC) is the world's largest corporate sustainability initiative, calling on companies to align with ten universally accepted principles. Central to its mission is Principle 10, which mandates that businesses work against all forms of corruption, including extortion and bribery. Rooted in the UN Convention Against Corruption, the UNGC's governance portfolio emphasizes transformational governance—an approach that urges companies to be ethical, inclusive, and transparent while strengthening the public institutions and systems that underpin long-term success. A key strategy is Collective Action, where businesses join forces with governments and civil society to level the playing field, enhance compliance standards, and create fair market conditions worldwide. Through toolkits, local networks, and high-level calls to action, the UNGC empowers the private sector to drive systemic change and uphold integrity as a universal norm.

Founded in 2014, Ethics and Compliance Switzerland (ECS) is a nonprofit organization dedicated to fostering a robust ethics and compliance community across all sectors in Switzerland. As the first NGO of its kind to connect professionals from the private and public sectors, ECS promotes the exchange of best practices, integrity, and high ethical standards. ECS serves as a platform for ethics and compliance officers, legal counsel, risk professionals, regulators, auditors, board members, and individuals working with or supervising compliance functions. ECS facilitates cross-sector dialogue through specialized working groups that cover critical domains such as anti-bribery, investigations, artificial intelligence (AI), and whistleblowing. ECS hosts conferences, webinars, and networking events to keep its members informed about the latest regulatory trends and governance challenges. Internationally, ECS is a member of the European Network of Ethics & Compliance Professionals (ENFCO) and a partner of the International Federation of Compliance Associations (IFCA).

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