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OECD Watch
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Re: Corporate Accountability Capacity Building and Training Seminar, Bangkok, 4-6 November, 2009

Dear Sir / Madam,

OECD Watch, a global network of more than 80 civil society organisations, and The Diplomacy Training Programme (DTP), an independent NGO affiliated with the Faculty of Law, University of New South Wales, invite you or your affiliates to submit an application for the forthcoming capacity building program, **Corporate Accountability: Tools to Promote Responsible Business Conduct**, to be held in Bangkok, 4-6 November, 2009.

The 3-day seminar is for OECD Watch members from the region, NGOs and trade unions working on specific cases and considering using the OECD Guidelines, and other NGOs, labour and community groups interested in corporate accountability, business and human rights and the work of OECD Watch.

Participants will develop an understanding of the OECD Guidelines for Multinational Enterprises and other international instruments, grievance mechanisms and tools to address corporate accountability in the region. The seminar will be held as a side-event to the OECD and UNESCAP "*Regional Conference on Corporate Responsibility: Why Responsible Business Conduct Matters*".

In addition, a small number of participants will have the opportunity to attend the OECD / UN-ESCAP event, thereby ensuring a regional Asia-Pacific perspective in the international policy dialogue on corporate responsibility. Further, day three of the program will provide individual training and technical support to participants seeking to use, notably, the OECD Guidelines grievance mechanism.

A limited number of spaces are available on the program. Travel and accommodation costs can be covered for participants from the region. A program brochure, preliminary program and registration form for the seminar is attached to this invitation, and can also be downloaded from the OECD Watch and DTP website.

Please email the registration form to virginia@oecdwatch.org.

Applications close 9 October, 2009. We look forward to receiving your application.

Kind regards,

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