

**Peoples Mobilisation to Reclaim Peoples Rights over TNCs,  
Corporate Profits and impunity**



**October 2019**

<b>Title of the event</b>	Peoples Mobilisation to Reclaim Peoples Rights over TNCs, Corporate Profits and impunity
<b>Thematic Cluster(s)</b>	Just Trade and Corporate Accountability - AEPF
<b>Brief summary &amp; narrative report of the Activity</b>	<p>During the period October 11-19 at the UN Human Rights Council in Geneva, AEPF - Asian and European organisations were among the more than 100 organisations from affected communities, social movements, womens’ organisations, trade unions, indigenous peoples, migrant organisations, parliamentarians participating in the activities. The mobilisation for the week, also brought together delegations from Latin America and Africa in which all contributed to generate a dynamic and constructive environment for the debate on the Revised first Draft of the Treaty on TNCs and Human Rights.</p> <p><b>Outcomes</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• AEPF participants – specific advocacy meetings with Indonesia, Philippines, Malaysia, China, India and with the the representative of the EEAS, representing the EU and Member States – reflected on the floor of the UNHRC when these states intervened in the debate.</li> <li>• The overall process has reached a stable mode (96 governments in attendance) and negotiations have reached a new point of maturity and strength with approximately 30 states participating substantively with concrete text proposals.</li> <li>• Civil society participation was active with regular interventions in the programme of work. However, the participation of CSOs was questioned by a number of states—but successfully defended by most states, including the European Union.</li> <li>• The debate alerted on the drift of the Treaty text moving away from some key advocacies of civil society and the Global Campaign. This focuses attention to the articulation on key content of the Treaty in the work going forward – primacy of human rights; instruments of enforcement; and the rights of affected communities and their effective access to justice.</li> </ul>

Date(s) of the event	<p>October 12-19, 2019</p> <p>Oct 12, 2019: Briefing Advocacy Talking Points – including specific priority advocacies for Asian and European governments.</p> <p>Oct 13, 2019: Parliamentarian-Civil Society Dialogue Forum</p> <p>October 14-18, 2019: OEIGWG Session at UNHRC – Intervention in the debate on the Treaty (revised first Draft) and participation in 4 Side Event Panels</p> <p>October 19, 2019: De-Briefing, Assessment of week’s activities and outline Planning 2020-continuing work at the national/regional level as well as with the Missions in Geneva</p>
Venue	<p>UN Human Rights Council in the City of Geneva</p> <p>Country: Switzerland</p>
Co-organizers	<p>Global Campaign &amp; Its member organisations</p> <p>AEPF Just Trade and Corporate Accountability Cluster</p>
Participating organisations	<p>94 participants from 33 Countries</p> <p>8 Parliamentarians from Europe, Asia and Latin America</p> <p>N° of men: 44</p> <p>N° of Women: 50</p> <p>N° of European Participants: 40</p> <p>N° of Asian Participants: 12</p> <p>N° Others 42 [Africa, Latin America, ME, US]</p>
Main Output	<p>Nov 13 – Public Manifestation “For the Amazon, Indigenous People and Climate Justice”</p> <p>From AEPF: 10 meetings with governments of Asia &amp; Europe</p> <p>Five Side Meetings:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Nov 14 - All Parliament Panel on Strategic Importance of the Treaty</li> <li>• Nov 15- The Construction of a Treaty-Revised Draft</li> <li>• Nov 16 – Public Forum at University-TNCs and the Walls Industry-migrant, social movements and Palestinian resistance</li> <li>• Nov 17-Experiences of Strategic Litigation</li> </ul>

<p>Documents produced before, during and after the event</p>	<p>Social Media Overview:</p> <p>8 Videos – 26,836 views (You tube. Facebook, twitter-to October 19)</p> <p>Facebook – 7,200 views</p> <p>Tweets: 157, 500.00</p> <p>Written documents/articles:</p> <p>Article – by Brid Brennan and Gonzalo Berron (TNI)  <a href="https://longreads.tni.org/corporate-power-the-david-and-goliath-struggle-of-the-21st-century/">https://longreads.tni.org/corporate-power-the-david-and-goliath-struggle-of-the-21st-century/</a></p> <p>Article by Harris Gleckman (TNI Associate)  <a href="https://www.tni.org/en/article/they-call-it-multistakeholderism-where-does-that-leave-the-un">https://www.tni.org/en/article/they-call-it-multistakeholderism-where-does-that-leave-the-un</a> Harris Gleckman (TNI Associate)</p> <p>Article-Dottie Guerrero (Global Justice Now)  <a href="https://www.globaljustice.org.uk/blog/2019/oct/14/crafting-treaty-stop-corporate-impunity-challenges-we-face-fifth-session">https://www.globaljustice.org.uk/blog/2019/oct/14/crafting-treaty-stop-corporate-impunity-challenges-we-face-fifth-session</a></p> <p>Final Joint Submission to the Open-ended Inter-Governmental Working Group on the Treaty (November 20)</p> <p>In English: <a href="https://www.stopcorporateimpunity.org/final-declaration-of-the-global-campaign-to-claim-peoples-sovereignty-dismantle-corporate-power-and-end-impunity-in-relation-to-the-v-session-of-the-oeigwg/">https://www.stopcorporateimpunity.org/final-declaration-of-the-global-campaign-to-claim-peoples-sovereignty-dismantle-corporate-power-and-end-impunity-in-relation-to-the-v-session-of-the-oeigwg/</a></p> <p>In Spanish: <a href="https://www.stopcorporateimpunity.org/declaracion-final-de-la-campana-global-para-reclamar-la-soberania-de-los-pueblos-desmantelar-el-poder-corporativo-y-poner-fin-a-la-impunidad-en-relacion-a-la-v-sesion-del-oeigwg/?lang=es">https://www.stopcorporateimpunity.org/declaracion-final-de-la-campana-global-para-reclamar-la-soberania-de-los-pueblos-desmantelar-el-poder-corporativo-y-poner-fin-a-la-impunidad-en-relacion-a-la-v-sesion-del-oeigwg/?lang=es</a></p> <p>Newspaper articles:</p> <p>Coverage Swiss newspaper Le courier</p> <p><a href="https://lecourrier.ch/2019/10/13/de-concert-contre-les-multinationales/">https://lecourrier.ch/2019/10/13/de-concert-contre-les-multinationales/</a></p> <p><a href="https://lecourrier.ch/2019/10/15/un-traite-ramolli-pour-reguler-les-multinationales/">https://lecourrier.ch/2019/10/15/un-traite-ramolli-pour-reguler-les-multinationales/</a></p>
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