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**Nestlé’s response, as of 12.09.2019:**

As a responsible company, we are committed to respecting human rights and the environment.

As part of our longstanding commitment to have a positive impact on society we have voluntarily integrated human rights and environmental due diligence processes into our policies and procedures throughout our value chain for more than a decade. Every year, we communicate the progress made and the actions motivated by such due diligence process in our [Creating Shared Value Report](#).

Our approach is aligned with international standards, including the United Nations Framework and Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights (UNGPs). Its underlying principle of respecting human rights and the environment are part of our Corporate Business Principles and guide the behavior of our employees and business partners worldwide.

We believe that appropriate legislation could provide further incentives for companies to address their potential impacts on human rights and the environment. Such legislation should typically include the obligation to conduct human rights due diligence as defined in the UNGPs. The ultimate goal of such regulatory framework should not be to increase litigation, but to advance corporate awareness on human rights and environmental responsibility, which should translate into collaborative, impactful and effective actions.

We also believe that supra-national regulations would be more efficient than approaches country by country. The expertise of well-recognized bodies such as the OECD national contact points could play an important role to provide standardized global solutions beneficial to all parties in a leveled playing field.