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Business and Human Rights: Energy and extractives in a changing landscape of new generation trade agreements protecting and promoting both trade and human rights

Rambod Behboodi and Mael Clerc

A new generation of trade agreements is emphasizing human rights, creating opportunities for early movers that embrace these policies. [More »](#)

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National Contact Points in OECD Countries Promote Business & Human Rights in the Extractives Sector

Viren Mascarenhas, Ben Emmerson QC, Douglass Cassel, and Scott Hiers

The OECD's National Contact Point program empowers countries to develop mechanisms to resolve complaints that a company's conduct violates OECD's Guidelines for Multinational Enterprises. Complainants, companies, and countries are increasingly paying more attention to the NCP program, which celebrated its 20-year anniversary in 2020. [More »](#)

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The Potential of Wave Power

Marcella Burke and Evelina Petraviciute

Wave power is a type of hydroelectric power that relies on the capture of energy held by ocean waves. Like wind and solar power, wave power has the potential to be a valuable part of the energy transition. [More »](#)

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U.S./Canada

Environmental Justice Rises to the Forefront of EPA Policy

Michael R. Leslie, Marcella Burke, Granta Nakayama

Regulated companies and municipalities should expect increased scrutiny of new and existing facilities; a focus on environmental justice in permitting, regulation and enforcement; a stronger voice from citizen groups and the environmental justice community; and a shift in emphasis to clean energy, climate change, union jobs and environmental justice under the Biden Administration. [More »](#)

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Marcella Burke to Speak at Petroleum Economist Event

When: May 27, 2021

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