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JOINT INDUSTRY HUMAN RIGHTS SUPPLY CHAIN ENGAGEMENT INVOLVING ENERGIE CEOS

BP, TOTAL, SHELL AND EQUINOR

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The desired outcome is to make it easier and more efficient for suppliers to demonstrate how they respect human rights and care for their people. The sharing mechanism across the participating parties aims to support the improvement of working conditions in our companies´ supply chains.
As members of the UN Global Compact, BP, Equinor, Shell and Total, believe this initiative supports the objectives of Sustainable Development Goal 8, which is to “promote sustained, inclusive and sustainable economic growth, full and productive employment and decent work for all“.
The initiative does not include collaboration on selection of suppliers, which continues to remain the independent decision of each participant.
The four initiators of this collaboration - BP, Equinor, Shell and Total - invite other companies in the industry to join.
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