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## Seminar Program:

# The Social Compact Between Businesses, Government, and Society: Is the West Out of Balance?

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This 5-day seminar critically examines the evolving social compact between businesses, governments, and societies in the context of digitalization, sustainability, and governance. Drawing from the UN 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and the latest global governance debates, participants will explore how public and private sector responsibilities are shifting in the face of rising economic disparities, technological disruption, and environmental urgency.

Monday, **5 May 2025** 11:00 AM - 13:00 PM

#### The Social Compact: Foundations & Global Shifts

- Introduction to the concept of social compact
- Historical evolution of the businessgovernment-society relationship
- Impact of globalization and technological disruption
- Key pillars of the UN 2030 Agenda: people, planet, prosperity, peace and partnership
- Interactive discussion: Is the Western model of the social compact under pressure?

Tuesday, <mark>6 May 2025</mark> 11:00 AM - 13:00 PM

#### Governance & Regulation in an Era of Complexity

- Governance challenges in the digital economy
  Policy frameworks
- and regulatory fragmentation
- Role of public-private partnerships in advancing SDG 16 (peace, justice, and strong institutions)
- Case study: Al, data governance, and ethical decisionmaking
- Group discussion: Strengthening institutions in polarized societies

Wednesday, **7 May 2025** 11:00 AM - 13:00 PM

#### Businesses as Catalysts for Sustainable Development

- Businesses as agents of sustainable change: from profit to purpose
- SDG 8 (decent work and economic growth) and SDG 12 (sustainable consumption and production patterns)
- ESG, sustainability reporting, and impact investing
- Case study: How companies leverage the UN 2030 Agenda to drive long-term value
- Panel dialogue with business leaders (optional live event to be confirmed)

Thursday, **8 May 2025** 11:00 AM - 13:00 PM

#### Integrative Development: Leveraging Collective Innovation and Expertise

- Leaving no one behind: SDG 10
- Demographic shifts and empowerment: SDG 5
- The constructive role of communities
- Discussion: How businesses and governments can co-create integrative economies
- Breakout groups: Designing integrative policies for vulnerable communities

#### Friday, **9 May 2025** 11:00 AM - 13:00 PM

#### The Future of the Social Compact: Beyond the West

- Comparative perspectives: Western vs. Non-Western models of governance
- The rise of multipolar governance and Global South perspectives
- Revisiting the "Global Partnership for Sustainable Development" (SDG 17)
- Final roundtable: What does a renewed social compact look like?
- Closing remarks & reflections



#### **Expected Learning Outcomes**

By the end of this seminar, participants will:

- Understand the evolving relationship between businesses, governments, and society
- Analyze the UN 2030 Agenda's relevance to modern governance challenges
- Explore strategies to promote sustainable and integrative growth
- Engage in cross-sector dialogue on the future of global governance

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