

National Business Leaders Forum

Community Transformation: the role of business in poverty alleviation and sustainable economic development

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Key business challenges

1. The environment
2. The movement of labour, both skilled and unskilled, across our region
3. Business behaviour in developing countries / ethics and corporate social responsibility

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One of the worlds largest corporate social responsibility and sustainability programs:

- More than 7,000 members across the world with a target of more than 20,000 – both developing and developed nations
- Some of the nations smallest and largest (and in between) companies are members: Drake, the Commonwealth, Woolworths
- Includes partnerships with civil society organisations and academia
- A meeting of minds, a collaboration of leaders and a movement for change
- An establishment taskforce for Australia has been formed under the guidance of the St James Ethics Centre and Rosemary Sainty



There are ten key Principles

- Human rights
- Labour Standards
- Anti-Corruption
- The Environment
 - **Principle 7:** Businesses should support a precautionary approach to environmental challenges;
 - **Principle 8:** undertake initiatives to promote greater environmental responsibility; and
 - **Principle 9:** encourage the development and diffusion of environmentally friendly technologies.

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