

# Working Group: Co-operation With Civil Society

## Key Objectives

- Build productive relationships between business and NGOs in the form of active partnerships where possible
- Demonstrate that business is part of the sustainability solution (and not the problem)
- Encourage a culture whereby businesses will turn to NGOs for help in specific areas of expertise
- Find common ground between the 'for' and 'not-for-profit' sectors in promoting sustainability
- Help to establish the Czech Republic as a Centre of Excellence for Sustainable Development

# Business –NGO Round table

Prague, 24<sup>th</sup> January 2014



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UN Information Centre and Glopolis organized joint roundtable on the theme:

"Possibilities of Business-NGO Cooperation on Sustainable Development in the Czech Republic"

Glopolis is independent analytical center (think-tank) with a focus on global challenges and the response of Czech Republic and EU. In cooperation with those who shape policy, business and public opinion, our long-term goal is to improve the political culture and contribute to the transition to a smart economy, energy and food responsibility



# Food Waste Scoping Multi-Stakeholder Meeting

Prague, 26<sup>th</sup> April 2013

## Aims

- Assess the food wastage situation in the Czech Republic
- Map most relevant, short term and long term opportunities to reduce food waste
- Explore possibilities of joint initiatives on food waste reduction

## Participants

- Ladislav Červenka (Unilever)
- Martina Šilhánová (Tesco)
- Lukáš Grolmus (Ekokom)
- Fabrice Martin-Plichta (Czech federation of food banks)
- Petr Nohava (Hnutí Duha)
- Adam Podhola (Zachraň jídlo)
- Jonathan Wootliff (Business sustainability consultant)
- Petr Lebeda, Aurèle Destrée, Christine Maritz (Glopolis)

# World In Transition – Panel Discussion

15-17<sup>th</sup> September 2013, Prague

The world has been at a critical juncture: economically, socially and environmentally. For more than a billion people there is not enough to eat, no electricity or safe drinking water. Gap between rich and poor is widening. The world's ecosystems are in decline. These challenges are further nurtured by climate change and population growth threatening to prosperity and stability.

## Issues

What is the way forward? What role companies will and should play? Are they ready to take up their responsibility and deliver value not only financially — but also in social, environmental and ethical terms? What society expects from them and what companies expect from society/government in this regard? To what extent public-private partnerships already shape the agenda?

## Speakers

Muriel Anton, Vodafone; Martin Jahn, Volkswagen; Radek Špicar, Aspen Institute; Jan Muehlfeit, Microsoft; Jonathan Wootliff, CBCSD

## Moderator

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