

## [Transnational mobilizations and corporate accountability for gross human rights violations](#)

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In the past 20 years, mobilizations for corporate accountability for gross human rights violations have proliferated across the globe. NGOs, trade unions, legal experts and social scientists have built transnational coalitions to raise awareness, enforce national and international legislation, boycott, and bring to courts multinational companies and their representatives accused of human rights violations.

This workshop explores how transnational social movements build such strategies in primarily four industrial sectors: spyware and digital technologies; arms, weapons, and military training industries; extractive industries; and the banking and finance sectors.

What are the specificities of these industries in respect to gross violations of human rights?

What repertoires of contentious action are used to enforce accountability in these four industrial sectors? In what ways, under what conditions, and to what extent are they effective? What challenges and constraints do they confront? How do various industries, companies, and business associations respond to these campaigns given their various financial and reputational interests and organizational cultures? To what extent, if at all, is transnational activism better suited than national/local campaigns to deal with corporate complicity in political violence? Are there different approaches to corporate accountability that fragment and even divide social movements and human rights activists according to regional and professional area of activism?

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