



**United Nations** Global Compact

# **The UN Global Compact: Business and Peace**

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# “Business and Peace”

“The Role of the Private Sector in Zones of Conflict” a Policy Dialogue launched in 2001

To mitigate the negative impacts & enhance the capacity of companies to contribute to development & peace

Policy papers, tools and resources to develop a “conflict-sensitive” approach

Unique multistakeholder platform for sharing good practice

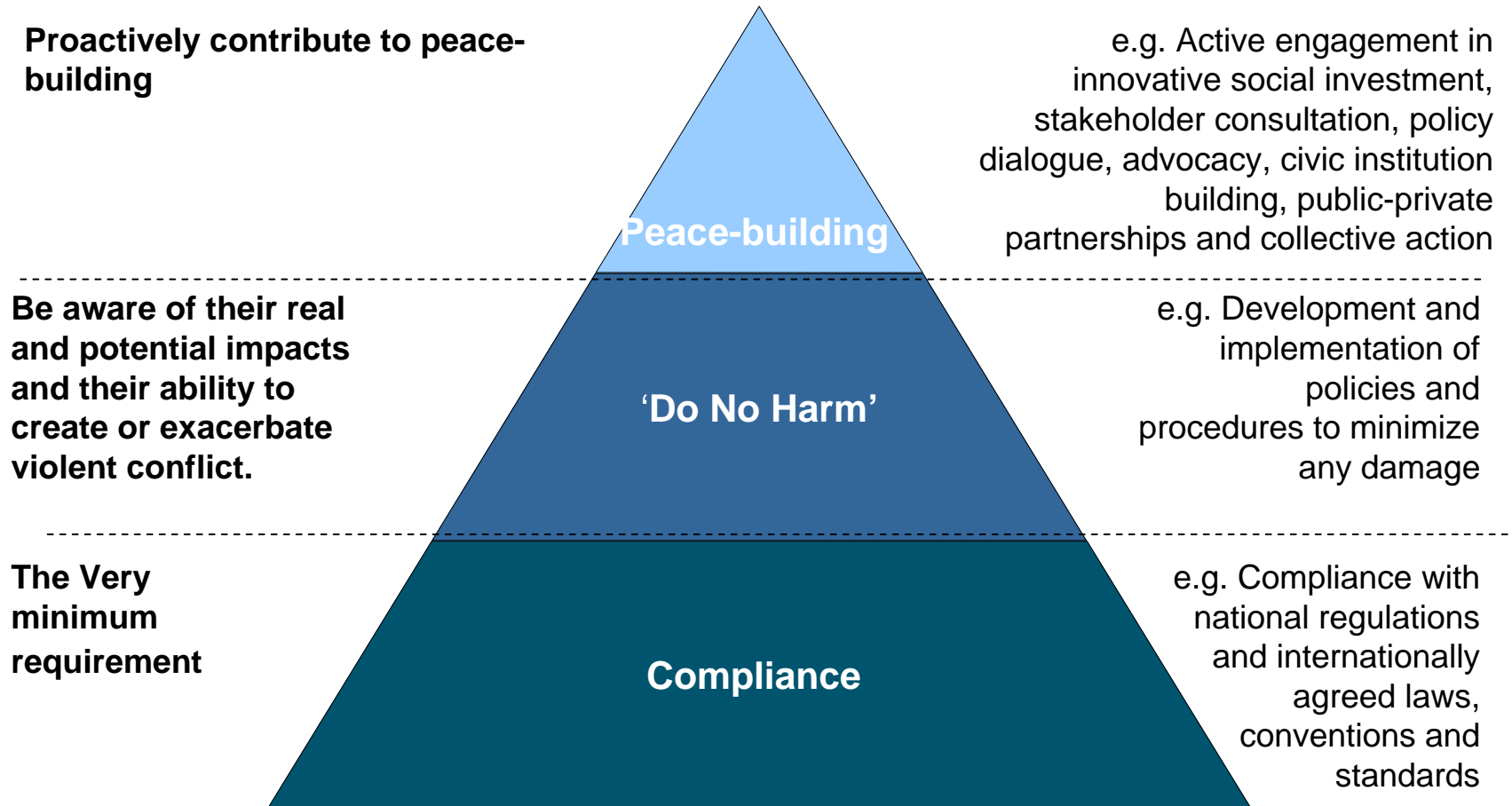
Sectoral work: extractives; financial sector

At the country level - Global Compact Local Networks (Colombia, Sudan)





# Three Levels of Strategies for Managing Conflict Risks





# Opportunities for Engagement

- **Events and awareness-raising activities:**
  - “Peace through Commerce” (Notre Dame 2006; George Washington 2008)
  - “Responsibility to the Future: business, peace, sustainability” 2008 (Strategic Foresight Group and University of Mumbai)
- **Publications:** “Peace through Commerce: Responsible Corporate Citizenship and the Ideals of the United Nations Global Compact” Edited by Oliver F. Williams, C.S.C.
- **Research and Case Study Development:**
  - Recent survey of GC participants in collaboration with the Kogod Business School, American University and International Alert





# In 2009...

- **Good Practice Guide** of short case studies on innovative business practices that promote peace and development in challenging operating environments. Creation of a review committee.
- **“Doing Business in a Multicultural Environment: Good Practices and Lessons Learned”** (April ‘09 in collaboration with UN Alliance of Civilizations) Aims to inspire business to proactively engage in the promotion of tolerance & inter-cultural understanding.
- **Policy Paper on Business Engagement in Weak Governance Zones** to identify practical options/guidance for companies and investors to make a positive contribution in conflict-prone states.



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