

Annual Meeting of the WRC University Caucus
School of Continuing Studies, 640 Massachusetts Ave., NW
Georgetown University, Washington, DC
Tuesday, May 14, 2019 | 9:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.

Draft Meeting Agenda

9:00 a.m.

Welcome and Introductions

9:10 a.m.

Overview of Licensing and Supply Chain Dynamics

In response to requests from university affiliates, the staff will begin the day with an overview of key issues and dynamics in worker rights in university apparel supply chains, including context on the garment industry and universities' historic achievements in raising standards.

Presentation by WRC staff. Followed by questions and discussion.

9:55 a.m.

The Year in Review: 2018-2019

We will review the WRC's body of work over the last year, including an in-depth review of several key factory investigations, updates on major issues, and reports on organizational developments. Cases discussed will include Konffetty, League Central America, PT Kahoindah Citragarment, and Shahi Exports.

Presentation by Scott Nova and WRC staff. Followed by questions and discussion.

11:30 a.m.

Coffee Break

11:40 a.m.

Licensee Panel Roundtable

WRC staff will present case studies of effective engagement with Vetta (Top of the World, J America) and Fanatics regarding code of compliance issues at the factories Delta Apparel Honduras and Direct Ship Americas, respectively, followed by a presentation from these two licensees on their firms' approach to labor rights compliance, with questions and discussion.

Presentations by WRC staff, Renata Kukowski and Melissa Shears of Vetta, and Michaela Corr of Fanatics. Followed by questions and discussion.

12:40 p.m.

Lunch

1:40 p.m.

Alta Gracia

Alta Gracia is the only independently verified living wage factory exporting clothes to the United States. A new key investor will join Alta Gracia's CEO in sharing their perspective on Alta Gracia's unique work and their plans for the future.

Presentations by Chris Morocco, CEO of AG Triada (Alta Gracia's parent company), and Barry Davison, founder of Yellowcreek Partners and key Alta Gracia investor.

2:20 p.m.

Coffee Break

2:35 p.m.

Discussion of Membership Categories

The WRC's university affiliates are divided into three categories for purposes of board elections and fee payment: those with royalties above \$1 million, those between a million and \$100,000, and those below. The WRC University Caucus board members will lead a discussion as to whether, twenty years after these categories were created, the university affiliates would recommend changing the cut-off points.

3:10 p.m.

Open Discussion

Participants will have the opportunity to raise additional topics, projects, or cases of interest and/or to engage in further discussion of items on the agenda.

3:40 p.m.

Hetian Taida Apparel

AP journalists broke a major story this year regarding apparel from Chinese forced labor camps entering the university supply chain. WRC staff will provide an update on our research into this important case.

Presentation by WRC staff.

4:20 p.m.

Wrap-Up and Adjournment