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# Non-Governmental Organizations (NGO's) Involved in Human Rights & the Environment Issues

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- [Amnesty International](#)  
Amnesty International's mandate is to promote general awareness of human rights and oppose specific abuses of human rights.
- [Corporate Watch](#)  
Corporate Watch provides news, analysis, research tools and action resources to respond to corporate activity around the globe. They also network with people who are directly affected by corporate abuses as well as with others fighting for corporate accountability, human rights, social and environmental justice. The website includes a substantial Corporate Research section.
- [EarthRights International \(ERI\)](#)  
ERI is a nonprofit, nongovernmental organization (NGO) that combines the power of law and the power of people in defense of human rights and the environment. Since 1995, ERI has worked assemble on-the-ground information about the human rights and environmental situation inside Burma.
- [Global Exchange](#)  
Global Exchange is a non-profit research, education and action center dedicated to advocating and working for political, economic and social justice on a global scale. Their goal is to increase global awareness among the U.S. public and move them to action while building international and domestic partnerships around the world.
- [Human Rights Watch](#)  
Human Rights Watch is dedicated to protecting the human rights of people around the world. The [Corporations and Human Rights](#) project directs pressure to businesses to use their influence to reduce human rights abuses by repressive government regimes.
- [International League for Human Rights](#)  
The International League for Human Rights raises human rights issues and cases before the United Nations and other international fora in partnership with colleagues from various parts of the world.

[The Human Rights Auditing Standards and Procedures Project](#) seeks to add measurable and quantifiable human rights standards to established accounting and auditing procedures for corporations.

- [The New Economics Foundation \(NEF\)](#)

NEF works to construct a new economy centred on people and the environment. Founded in 1986, it is now one of the UK's most creative and effective independent think tanks, combining research, advocacy, training and practical action. The Building Corporate Accountability project works to bridge the accountability gap between business and the public.

- [Project Underground](#)

Project Underground exists as a vehicle for the environmental, human rights and indigenous rights movements to carry out campaigns against abusive extractive resource activity. They seek to systematically deal with the problems created by the mining and oil industries by exposing environmental and human rights abuses by the corporations involved in these sectors and by building capacity amongst communities to achieve economic and environmental justice.

- [Public Citizen's Global Trade Watch](#)

Global Trade Watch is the Public Citizen division that fights for international trade and investment policies promoting government and corporate accountability, consumer health and safety, and environmental protection through research, lobbying, public education and the media. Public Citizen is a national consumer and environmental organization founded by Ralph Nader in 1971.

- [Resource Renewal Institute \(RRI\)](#)

RRI was founded in 1983 to support innovative environmental management in the United States and worldwide. RRI's main role is to promote the implementation of green plans--long term, comprehensive strategies designed to achieve sustainability. RPI also compiles a clearinghouse of Best Practices in Green Planning.

- [Sierra Club](#)

Sierra Club's goal is the exploration, enjoyment and protection of the wild places of the earth. The Club's Human Rights & the Environment Campaign seeks to insure that individuals' rights to speak out on behalf of the environment are recognized and respected, and to help environmental advocates organize in an effective manner to petition their government.

- [Silicon Valley Toxics Coalition \(SVTC\)](#)

Since 1982, Silicon Valley Toxics Coalition (SVTC) has worked to document and expose the hazards of the high-tech industry and to promote environmental and economic sustainability and accountability in the electronics industry, the fastest growing manufacturing sector in the world.

- Transnational Resource & Action Center (TRAC) strives to help build an alternative form of grassroots globalization by creating local, national and international links for democratic control over corporations, human rights and environmental justice.

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