Why Human Rights at a Business School?

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A Globalized Economy is Creating New Opportunities and Challenges

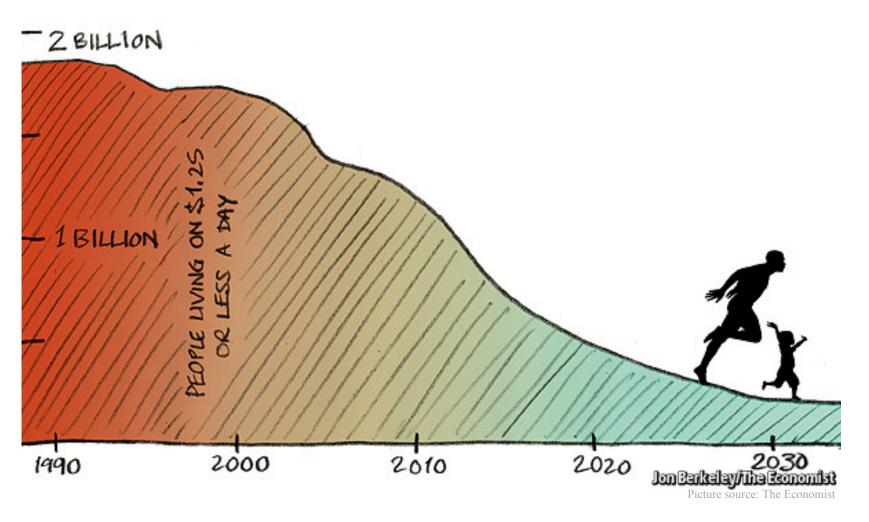
- Poverty is being reduced
- But many governments are fragile
- Global companies are outsourcing responsibility
- There is a governance gap



Picture source: World Bank



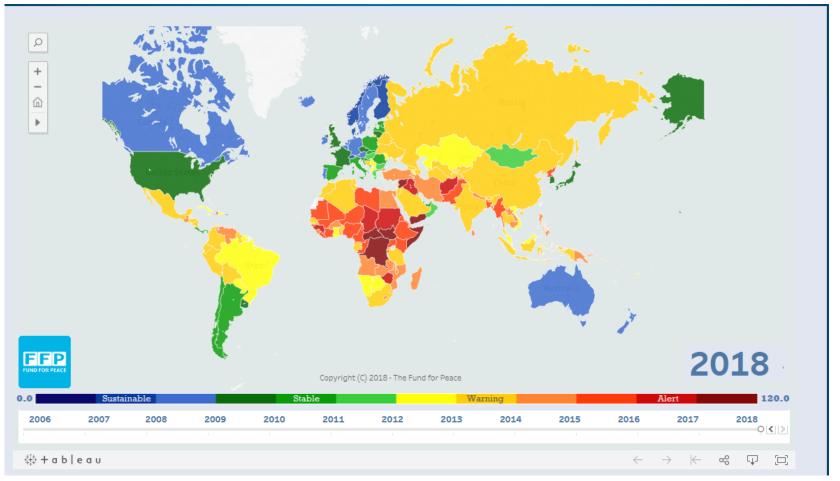
Global Poverty has Declined



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Fragility in the World



Picture source: Fund of Peace



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Companies are as Powerful as

Governments

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1	Wal-Mart	\$482	23	Nigeria	\$481
2	State Grid	\$330	31	Egypt	\$330
3	China Nat'l Petroleum	n \$300	34	Israel	\$299
4	Sinopec Group	\$294	36	Denmark	\$295
5	Royal Dutch Shell	\$272	41	Pakistan	\$271

Source: World Bank

Source: Fortune Magazine

* Revenue in billions













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Inequality is Threatening Political and Social Stability

Shareholder Value Is No Longer Everything, Top C.E.O.s Say

Chief executives from the Business Roundtable, including the leaders of Apple and JPMorgan Chase, argued that companies must also invest in employees and deliver value to customers.



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New Technologies are Not Subject to Traditional Governance Models

- Internet Platforms are allowing harmful content online
- Surveillance technologies violate privacy
- AI is changing the nature of work



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Internet Governance

Harmful Content: The Role of Internet Platform Companies in Fighting Terrorist Incitement and Politically Motivated Disinformation





Combating Russian Disinformation:

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The Case for Stepping Up the Fight Online

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