UN GLOBAL COMPACT 2017 TOOLBOX



The UN Global Compact helps companies shape their corporate sustainability approach based on our Ten Principles and the UN Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). In 2017, we will offer an extensive toolbox – including best practice resources, executive briefings, new action platforms and events – designed for companies anywhere along their sustainability journey, from beginners to leaders. Together, we can Make Global Goals Local Business.



Visit our website to view the full list of themes and related activities in 2017: www.unglobalcompact.org/ourwork



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ACTION PLATFORMS

NEW IN 2017

The Blueprint for SDG Leadership

SDG Leadership through Reporting

> Breakthrough Innovation for the SDGs

Financial Innovation for the SDGs

Pathwavs to Low-Carbon & Resilient **Development** We are offering a new portfolio of Action Platforms to advance business activities and deliver outcomes in relation to the Ten Principles and the SDGs. Platforms are developed in consultation with LEAD companies, Local Networks, UN agencies and other partners to fill emerging gaps in advancing the SDGs. They are designed for up to 40 companies and require an additional fee.

The Blueprint will outline baseline responsibilities and business leadership practices across the 17 SDGs, and consolidate existing standards and leadership principles. It will provide an aspirational framework against which companies can benchmark their strategies, goals, targets and impacts toward the SDGs. To be developed with LEAD participants, UN partners, issue experts, civil society stakeholders and Local Networks.

Together with GRI, we will work to promote comprehensive disclosure on the Ten Principles and SDGs as an integrated part of existing corporate reporting frameworks through the development of consolidated business disclosures on the SDGs that are also relevant to decision-making by investors and more accessible to SMEs.

Project Breakthough – in partnership with Volans, PA Consulting, The DO School and Singularity University - connects companies with some of the world's leading exponential thinkers and innovators, in order to understand disruptive technology clusters like Artificial Intelligence, Big Data and Blockchain and the potential for more sustainable, collaborative and circular business models of the future.

In collaboration with UNEP FI and PRI, this platform will identify innovative financial instruments that have the potential to direct private finance towards critical sustainability solutions. The platform will develop guidance on impact investment strategies that support sustainable development, map current and emerging financial instruments, and provide a laboratory for the development of innovative instruments.

Building on a decade's work by Caring for Climate, this platform is aimed at driving business leadership to implement the Paris Agreement and related SDGs at the country-level. We will provide a multi-stakeholder space to catalyze the business contribution to national climate and SDG plans in 7-10 countries, and offer analysis of the gaps, synergies and trade-offs between NDCs and SDG plans - for business and policymakers alike.

More Action Platforms to be launched later this year!

Health is Everyone's Business will convene business, civil society and UN partners to enable a culture of identify solutions on education, employment and basic sustainable living, health and wellbeing to achieve needs to help ensure vulnerable migrants and refugees collective impact solutions.

Business for Inclusion will explore how business can build bridges between people and communities and promote cultures of understanding, respect and cooperation through diversity and inclusion leadership.

Business Action for Humanitarian Needs will are treated with dignity and provided opportunities.

Decent Work in Global Supply Chains will explore what decent work means for business, its supply chain and the communities in which they operate - helping to identify concrete steps and good practices.



Find more information on Action Platforms and how to engage: www.unglobalcompact.org/actionplatforms



LOCAL NETWORKS



Global Compact Local Networks – found in 80 countries – are rolling out the Ten Principles and the SDGs to business communities in all regions of the world, helping to deliver tangible and impactful business actions on the ground. Local Networks bring all of the unique aspects of our global initiative to the local context. They are multi-stakeholder, inclusive, action-oriented and excellent for networking with local sustainability leaders and influencers. Now, many are becoming strong platforms for business to engage in national SDG implementation plans.

Find your Local Network today: www.unglobalcompact.org/engage-locally

2017 SDG PIONEERS

At the UN Global Compact, we are seeking out people and companies who are turning global goals into local business, and want to motivate many more. Each year, we will identify SDG Pioneers to shine a spotlight on entrepreneurs who champion sustainability through their business models and changemakers who are mobilizing companies in their communities and countries to be a force for good. We invite you to join us on this journey, and become a pioneer in the new SDG era.

🗇 Get inspired by the 2016 Pioneers: www.unglobalcompact.org/sdgpioneers

UN-BUSINESS PARTNERSHIPS

As the entry point to the United Nations for business, the UN Global Compact fosters partnerships across all sectors and regions, and also helps build partnership capacity across the UN. The UN-Business Action Hub brings business and the UN together to share partnership and project opportunities, especially at the local level. We are focused on transformative partnerships that can bring greater scale and impact towards achieving the SDGs.

Cro Explore partnership needs and opportunities: www.business.un.org

FUTURE BUSINESS EXPLORER

A global solutions platform developed in partnership with Sustainia and DNV GL. Launching in April 2017, this digital platform will give you access to the best sustainable business opportunities and solutions worldwide. It's a place to identify new markets, explore solutions and find potential partners for the SDGs. Based on the founding partners' collaboration over the past five years, thousands of sustainable business solutions have already been researched and more will follow.

Making Global Goals Local Business – India 26-27 April | New Delhi

With a focus on breakthrough innovation, we will convene business, civil society, UN partners and Local Networks to drive transformational change to successfully deliver on the 2030 Agenda.

UN Private Sector Forum and Global Compact Leaders Summit | Week of 18 Sept | New York

The Forum brings together CEOs with world leaders to advance public-private collaboration. Our annual Summit gathers UNGC participants to advance the SDGs.

OTHER KEY EVENTS TO ADVANCE SDGs

Business Empowering Women & Girls 14-15 March | New York

United Nations Oceans Conference 5-9 June | New York

High-Level Political Forum & SDG Business Forum | 10-19 July | New York

World Water Week | 27 Aug - 1 Sept | Stockholm

UN Climate Change Conference | 6-17 Nov | Bonn

6th UN Forum on Business and Human Rights Nov | Geneva



Learn more about our international and local events: www.unglobalcompact.org/events



The UN Global Compact is the largest and most global initiative for responsible business engagement, based on our Ten Principles and global activities to advance the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).

BENEFITS OF ENGAGING

Deal

Demonstrate commitment on corporate sustainability grounded in universal principles

Be a part of a community of sustainability innovators and pioneers Deepen sustainability practice, performance and impact



Build UN-business partnerships, collaboration and alliances



Engage locally and receive support through Local Networks in 80 countries



Become a global advocate for responsible business

UNITED NATIONS GLOBAL COMPACT TEN PRINCIPLES



 Businesses should support and respect the protection of internationally proclaimed human rights; and

2. make sure that they are not complicit in human rights abuses.



3. Businesses should uphold the freedom of association and the effective recognition of the right to collective bargaining;

- 4. the elimination of all forms of forced and compulsory labour;
- 5. the effective abolition of child labour; and
- 6. the elimination of discrimination in respect of employment and occupation.



- 7. Businesses should support a precautionary approach to environmental challenges;
- 8. undertake initiatives to promote greater environmental responsibility; and
- **9.** encourage the development and diffusion of environmentally friendly technologies.



10. Businesses should work against corruption in all its forms, including extortion and bribery.

The UN Global Compact's Ten Principles are derived from: the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, the International Labour Organization's Declaration on Fundamental Principles and Rights at Work, the Rio Declaration on Environment and Development, and the United Nations Convention Against Corruption.