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H.E. António Guterres
Secretary-General
United Nations
New York, NY 10017
USA

Dear Mr. Secretary General,

I am pleased to confirm that the Jagiellonian University in Kraków supports the ten principles of the UN Global Compact with respect to human rights, labour, environment and anti-corruption. With this commitment, we express our intent to support the Global Compact advancing these principles, and will make a clear statement of this commitment to our stakeholders and the general public.

Climate change mitigation and environmental conservation is part of the five pillars of the Jagiellonian University Development Strategy 2030. The Jagiellonian University strives to contribute to global efforts against the climate crisis. We pledge to participate in and engage with the UN Global Compact in the following ways: undertake research and expert work related to climate change mitigation and environmental conservation; support educational activity about climate change mitigation and environmental conservation for audiences inside and outside the University; conduct a purchase policy and resource management in an environment- and climate-

friendly manner; implement construction projects while maintaining biological diversity, limiting tree felling in the areas belonging to the University and ensuring the highest possible energy efficiency of University buildings; reduce the University infrastructure emissions by using systems based on renewable energy sources (photovoltaics), modernising building management systems (BMS), and increasing the power supply from the so-called municipal energy; analyse the possibility of achieving zero emissions for the University building stock; and create solutions promoting sustainable transport on University premises: design bicycle paths, bicycle service stations, bicycle shelters and electric car chargers and manage car parks, including car park entrances, with a view to optimising the occupied space.

We recognise that a key requirement for participation in the Global Compact is the submission of a Communication on Engagement (COE) that describes our organisation's efforts to support the implementation of the ten principles and to engage with the Global Compact. We support public accountability and transparency, and therefore commit to report on progress within two years of joining the Global Compact and every two years thereafter according to the Global Compact COE policy.

Sincerely yours,



Professor Jacek Popiel, PhD

Rector of the Jagiellonian University in Kraków