

Statement of Continued Support, Ivan Menezes, Chief Executive

We have a responsibility to make a positive contribution to society and create shared value, wherever we work. In December last year, we launched ambitious sustainability and responsibility targets, to be achieved by 2020, and covering three core areas – leadership in alcohol in society; building thriving communities; and reducing environmental impact.

Our programmes continue to actively support the United Nations Global Compact and its 10 principles. Through our Annual Report I am pleased to report on our activities and achievements, demonstrated in our core business strategy, culture and daily operations. I am particularly pleased to report on our commitment to the UN Women's Empowerment Principles as well as our strengthened diversity and inclusion goals for women in leadership.

I am extremely proud of Diageo's track record in social and environmental responsibility, we know there is much more to do, as we respond to the changing world around us, and we restate our commitment to achieving greater progress.