

Statement of Continued Support, Ivan Menezes, Chief Executive

Doing business in a way we can be proud of has always been a priority for Diageo. Wherever we work, we have a responsibility to make a positive contribution to society and create shared value.

Through our brands, this ethos connects to the original values of our founders, in some cases established over 300 years ago. Today, our Sustainability and Responsibility strategy influences all aspects of our business, particularly focusing on the most important topics we face: creating a positive role for alcohol in society; building thriving communities; and reducing our environmental impact.

Our strategy closely aligns to the United Nations' Sustainable Development Goals. Via our core business, we have committed to help deliver 13 of the goals through the way we work; our external programmes with communities, NGOs and governments; and our relationships with consumers all over the world. This reaffirms our continued support for the United Nations Global Compact and its work to promote and deliver these important goals.

Within our Sustainability and Responsibility strategy, we have identified 20 key targets for 2020, against which we measure and manage our progress. We provide in depth detail in our Annual Report and Sustainability and Responsibility Performance Addendum, and I am pleased to share our continued progress against these objectives. While we know there is more for us all to do, I am extremely proud of Diageo's continuing track record in social and environmental responsibility.