

GLOBAL COMPACT



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Statement of Continued Support

To whom it may concern

I hereby express our continued support for the Global Compact initiative.

SLA provides landscape services and urban planning services to clients who makes the final decisions. Given the role as a consultants our direct responsibility for decisions concerning constructions work etc. is limited. However we always strive to make it possible for the client to choose solutions that promotes Global Compact principles. We also collaborate with various partners and suppliers on the development and use of environmentally sound technologies and methods.

As architects we have a special focus on Principle 7: Businesses should support a precautionary approach to environmental challenges, Principle 8: Undertake initiatives to promote greater environmental responsibility and Principle 9: Encourage the development and diffusion of environmentally friendly technologies.

SLA complies with Danish National Legislation, which meets International conventions. All contracts with employees are based on agreements with Danish trade unions. The following pages describes actions and outcomes.

Best regards

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Managing director

Actions

Principle 1: Businesses should support and respect the protection of internationally proclaimed human rights

SLA state of art

We comply with Danish National Legislation, which meets International conventions.

Initiatives 2008-10

SLA A/S has elected company safety representatives and made a survey among all employees about physical and psychical aspects of their work. Furthermore we have engaged with a physiotherapist to ensure the best possible working conditions for all employees.

Principle 2: Make sure that they are not complicit in human rights abuses

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We comply with Danish National Legislation, which meets International conventions.

Principle 3: Businesses should uphold the freedom of association and the effective recognition of the right to collective bargaining

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We are upholding such a policy for all employees. All contracts with employees are based on agreements with a Danish trade union.

Principle 4: The elimination of all forms of forced and compulsory labour

SLA state of art

All employees have individual contracts stating terms and conditions of service and stating notice of leave.

Principle 5: The effective abolition of child labour

SLA state of art

We comply with Danish National Legislation which supports the abolition of child labour.

Principle 6: The elimination of discrimination in respect of employment and occupation

SLA state of art

SLA A/S has a recruitment policy that secures equal employment opportunities based solely upon an assessment of relevant qualifications in relation to the core business of SLA A/S.

Principle 7: Businesses should support a precautionary approach to environmental challenges

SLA state of art

One of two over all themes for activities in 2009 and 2010 at SLA A/S is to implement and develop the work made by the Danish Minister for Environment in his policy for urban policy concerning environmental sustainability.

Initiatives 2008-10

SLA's managing director has attended a council with the Danish Minister for Environment concerning urban development and sustainability.

SLA has included environmental consideration in all concepts for competition entries and we have invited experts to give lectures.

SLA has moved to an office space which is more energy efficient.

SLA has taken part in an exhibition in The Danish Architectural Centre called "Sustainable cities". The exhibition has also been on show in Abu Dhabi, Odense and Shanghai. SLA has published several articles and made interviews about environmental sustainability.

Principle 8: Undertake initiatives to promote greater environmental responsibility

SLA state of art

SLA A/S encourages the development and diffusion of environmentally friendly technologies in all possible projects where this is in the interest of the client. SLA A/S also on its own initiative develops visions for landscape projects with the aim of taking forward the debate about environmental issues.

Initiatives 2008-10

As Principle 7.

Principle 9: Encourage the development and diffusion of environmentally friendly technologies

State of art and initiatives

As Principle 7.

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

SLA state of art

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Outcomes

WHITE BALANCE| COP15

Location: Ørestad, Copenhagen
Client: Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Denmark
Design phase: 2009
Area: 5.500m².
Realisation: 2009

When thousands of COP15 delegates arrived at the climate summit in the Bella Center, they were not bored in the queue. SLA had staged the arrival area with a temporary urban space that provided food for thought. With the project White Balance it is SLA's intention to put focus on the factors in our cities related to the climate issues pivotal to COP15.

Stig L. Andersson: "The city is an ecosystem where each part is interdependent. Nature and city are not opposites, but merely different systems, that as a whole must be in balance. COP15 will affect the possibility for a future balance between human urbanization and Earth's resources. The arrival area at COP15 will hopefully inspire to this thinking."



MASTERPLAN FOR BALLERUP CENTER

Type/ Competition with user involvement
Site/ Ballerup Center
Client Ballerup Municipality
Design period/ 2010-
Partners/ Atkins and artist Søren Jensen

SLA has been the head of a team, which participated in the development of Ballerup Center. The task was to enhance the experience of the city center and to lay the foundations of a development where human health and an active city life is central. Team SLA response is a concept we call Ballerup Campus City. We have developed a planning tool called process urbanism. It regards the city as a part of the natural ecosystem and vice versa. There has been an active process involving the town's citizens in three workshops where they were briefed on the status of projects and was able to comment on this and engage in dialogue with team members.



ODENSE KNOWLEDGE AND RESEARCH PARC

Location: Odense, DK
Client: Freja Ejendomme, Municipality of Odense
Collaborators: Arkitektfirmaet C.F. Møller, Alectia
Design phase: 2009
Area: 37 ha.

By situating the entire built-up area to the east, the best possible contact with the infrastructure is secured; an important aspect of making the area more sustainable. There is also a close connection with the University of Southern Denmark Odense, the Killerup village and the Rosengårdsceneteret shopping centre as well as to the recreational sports areas and golf courses.

The western part of the landscape along the protected wood is kept free of buildings. This area has magnificent views of the Funen landscape with the fringe of the wood and untouched trees.

