



December 28, 2020  
H.E. António Guterres  
Secretary-General  
United Nations  
New York, NY 10017 USA

Dear Mr. Secretary General,

I am pleased to confirm that The Industrialists and Businesspeople Association of Bursa (Bursa Sanayicileri ve İşinsanları Derneği-BUSİAD) supports the ten principles of the United Nations Global Compact on human rights, labor, environment and anti-corruption. With this communication, we express our intent to implement and advance these principles within our sphere of influence. We are committed to making the UN Global Compact and its principles part of the strategy, culture and day-to-day operations of our association, and to engaging in collaborative projects which advance the broader development goals of the United Nations. We will make a clear statement of this commitment to our stakeholders and the general public. We also pledge to participate in and engage with the UN Global Compact in the following ways:

- Encourage our members to join the UN Global Compact and promote the UN Global Compact Ten Principles with our members companies.
- Support UN Global Compact business participants in implementing and reporting on their sustainability efforts. As a trusted business voice, our association will raise awareness, spread knowledge and engage companies in sustainability issues. We will organize learning and dialogue events, workshops and training for our members on the UN Global Compact and specific topics relevant to corporate sustainability.
- Provide expertise on UN Global Compact working groups, engage our members in collective action and partnership efforts on key UN goals and issues in collaboration with the UN Global Compact, and lead business delegation groups to participate in the UN Global Compact international events.
- We will support the development and activities of the Global Compact Local Network in Turkey.

We recognize that a key requirement for participation in the Global Compact is the submission of a Communication on Engagement (COE) that describes our organization's efforts to support the implementation of the ten principles and to engage with the Global Compact. Unfortunately we have not been able to update our two year submission to the UN Global Compact on time due to the change in the board of directors. We are making it our priority to engage within the given time frame. 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,

**Ergun Hadi TÜRKAY**  
Chairman of the Board