



ASSOCIATION OF BUSINESS WOMEN IN SERBIA

September 14, 2021

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

Dear Mr. Secretary General,

I am pleased to confirm that the Association of Business Women in Serbia (ABW Serbia) supports the ten principles of the UN Global Compact with respect to human rights, labor, 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.

We also pledge to participate in and engage with the UN Global Compact in the following way(s): by participating in the involvement of Country/Local networks in specialized initiatives and workstreams, by engaging in partnership projects, proposing and implementing partnership on corporate sustainability and engaging with other stakeholders, supporting UN Global Compact business participants as they implement and report on their sustainability efforts, supporting issue platforms and workstreams, promoting the UN Global Compact Ten Principles.

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. 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.

Unfortunately, as of October 31, 2016 ABW Serbia was excluded from the Global Compact list of active participants due to its failure to communicate on progress. As there were several personnel changes and transitions in our organization at that time, we failed to submit the Communication on Engagement as needed. We would certainly like to re-join Global Compact. Therefore, we kindly ask you to accept our explanation, as well as the Communication on Engagement for the last two years, together with our Letter of Re-commitment and to put us back on the list of members of the Global Compact.

Sincerely yours,

Sanja Popovic-Pantic
President of the Association
of Business Women in Serbia

