

May 11, 2023

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

Dear Mr. Secretary General,

I am pleased to confirm that Stowarzyszenie Rzetelnego Biznesu (the Reliable Business Association) 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):

The "Solidny Partner" program is the initiative of the Reliable Business Association and the European Education and Consulting Centre (until the end of 2004 - Business Promotion Centre) introduced in 1995 in Wielkopolska. At the time, it was the only program of this type in Poland.

It is essential to add that The Delegation of the European Commission in Poland and The President of the National Bank of Poland (NBP) extended honorary patronage to the "Solidny Partner" program in 2001.

This program also joined the implementation of the UN initiative, Global Compact, which the organizers of the program helped to initiate in 2001 in Poland and in which the "Solidny Partner" program has been participating from the beginning.

The Mission of the "Solidny Partner" program is to promote reliability and responsibility as significant values in the creation and functioning of civil society, as well as strengthening trust and positive relations between business, science, and administration, e.g., by implementing projects which promotes good examples of reliable and effective cooperation.

The "Solidny Partner" in the local community, conducted as part of the program, with the cooperation of local and government administration and local trade unions, is just one example of that kind of action.

Actions pursued by local governments and local organizations, which are worth following, are awarded and promoted. Their main goal is to achieve sustainable communities, friendly to their residents, encourage initiatives in the local community, and build positive relations between local governments and businesses. Various organizations and institutions which pursue and support initiatives promoting such actions are also awarded.

As shown in many studies, lack of trust forms a significant barrier to business growth and to developing more effective ways of cooperation between business, science, and administration. Such cooperation is particularly important in the EU's new financial perspective and for the growth of innovation, which is one of the priorities of Poland's long-term development strategy aimed at increasing the competitiveness of the Polish economy.

We recognize that a key requirement for participation in the Global Compact is the submission of 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.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'T. Naganowski', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Dr. Tomasz Naganowski  
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