

United Nations Global Compact Communication on Engagement 2014/2015

1. Statement by the chief executive or equivalent expressing continued support for the UN Global Compact and renewing the participant's ongoing commitment to the initiative

On behalf of iuventum, I am pleased to confirm that we continue to support the ten principles of the UN Global Compact with respect to human rights, labour, environment, and anti-corruption, in particular with regard to global economic and environmental challenges which require global solutions including global education. The vision of iuventum is to provide global education across generations. The focus is on Education for Sustainable Development (ESD), intercultural and entrepreneurial education. The priority is on transforming learning and training environments.

2. A description of the practical actions that the organization has take to support the UN Global Compact principles and to engage with the initiative

iuventum has taken practical actions to support the UN Global Compact principles, in particular such as through Human Rights Council participation, and in general such as our programs as to be seen on the iuventum website and broader involvement with the UN and other entities as to be seen in the following list for 2014/2015

2014

May:

- iuventum became an organization in special consultative status with the Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC)
- Two ESD Forum alumni from Europe and Asia-Pacific applied for participation in the UNESCO ESD Youth Conference in Japan (part of the World Conference on ESD; the conference marked the end of the UN Decade of Education for Sustainable Development 2005-2014, see the launch of the Global Action Programme (GAP) on ESD, and took place in November 2014 in Japan), iuventum's Chairman issued two letters of recommendation

June:

- Two representatives from Asia-Pacific and Europe and iuventum's Chairman attended UN Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) SB40 Conference in Bonn, Germany
- Hisashi Saito appointed UN Office Geneva (UNOG) Main Representative 2014
- iuventum requested and finalized 2014 UN Office Geneva (UNOG) annual accreditation
- UN Grounds Passes 2014 for UN Office Geneva (UNOG) issued for Henning Stocks and Hisashi Saito
- A representative attended Human Rights Council (HRC) Session 26 in Geneva, Switzerland



 A representative attended UN Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD)
3rd Geneva Dialogue: Trade as a Means of Implementation of the Sustainable Development Goals

August:

- iuventum was observer for NGOs at HRCs Advisory Committee Session 13, Meeting 8
- Hisashi Saito attended the last meeting of UN High Commissioner for Human Rights, Navi Pillay, with civil society actors and raised the idea of the creation of international anti impunity tribunal system (H. Saito next to N. Pillay, photo below)



 A representative attended World Humanitarian Day event at UN Office Geneva, Switzerland

September:

 A representative attended Geneva Peace Talks event at UN office Geneva, Switzerland

October:

- A representative attended World Economic Forum's Global Shapers Community program for Asia Pacific in Hanoi, Vietnam
- A representative attended International Telecommunication Unions's ITU Forum on Smart Sustainable Cities (SSC): from Vision to Reality in Geneva, Switzerland
- A representative attended UNCTAD's World Investment Forum 2014 (Investing in Sustainable Development) in Geneva, Switzerland

November:

 iuventum became member of the Global Industry Platform of the United Nations Industrial Development Organization (UNIDO) and the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP)

December:

- A representative attended 2014 United Nations Forum on Business and Human Rights in Geneva, Switzerland
- iuventum requested and finalized 2015 UN Office Geneva (UNOG) annual accreditation
- UN Grounds Passes 2015 for UN Office Geneva (UNOG) issued for Henning Stocks and Hisashi Saito



2015

March:

 A representative attended Human Rights Council (HRC) Session 28 in Geneva, Switzerland

June/July:

- A representative attended Human Rights Council (HRC) Session 29 in Geneva, Switzerland
- A representative attended one meeting at International Telecommunication Union (ITU), at International Labor Organization (ILO) and at UN Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD)

September/October:

- A representative attended Human Rights Council (HRC) Session 30 in Geneva, Switzerland
- iuventum's Chairman had several meetings regarding the ESD Forum with focus on Entrepreneurship for Sustainable Development, iuventum's virtual university program and UNESCO's Global Action Programme (GAP) on ESD 2014-2019, including meetings with representatives of UN University (UNU), Miraikan and Tokyo Stock Exchange in Japan
- A representative attended the World Trade Organization's WTO Public Forum 2015 in Geneva, Switzerland

3. Measurement of outcomes (ie. Qualitative / quantitative measurement of results)

iuventum has - while focusing to reach out over the Internet - increased its number of program partners and network over time. iuventum's ESD Forum was recognized by the Japan Council on the UN Decade of Education for Sustainable Development (ESD-J) and the German Commission for UNESCO - Secretariat, UN Decade of Education for Sustainable Development, and supported by the Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry (METI), Japan, and the Ministry for Family Affairs, Senior Citizens, Women and Youth (BMFSFJ), Germany. We were able to partner with organizations such as the Junior United Nations Eco Workshop Conference (JUNEC), the National Museum of Emerging Science and Innovation - Miraikan, the Tokyo Stock Exchange, Hitotsubashi University - Institute of Innovation Research, Hosei University and the UN University - Institute of Advanced Studies (UNU-IAS; now UN University - Institute for the Advanced Study of Sustainability). And we obtained observer status in the UN Framework on Climate Change (UNFCCC) process and special consultative status with the Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC).