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## Grace Letter

Dear Madam or Sir,

We recognize that a key requirement for participation in the UN Global Compact is the annual preparation and posting of a Communication on Progress (COP) that comprises a CEO statement of continued support for the UN Global Compact, a description of practical actions with regard to the principles of the UN Global Compact, and a measurement of outcomes or expected outcomes.

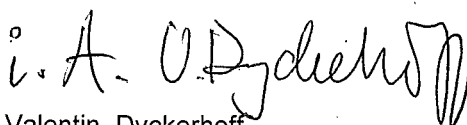
In fall 2016 GIZ carried out its first stakeholder dialogue on sustainability, taking into account feedback of over 900 international stakeholders via an online dialogue and discussing and validating these results during a stakeholder conference in Berlin on 2 December 2016. We would like to take into account the significant results of this dialogue for our Global Compact Communication on Progress 2016.

Thus, we hereby ask for an extension period in order to be able to post a COP that best describes both our company's efforts and progress to implement the principles of the UN Global Compact as well as our stakeholder's view on our sustainability performance. Our new COP report will be posted on the UN Global Compact website by 18 May 2017 at the latest.

Kind regards,



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