

# Communication on Progress 2016

### **About the document**

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### Introduction

TenneT has committed itself to the principles of the United Nations Global Compact since 2015. We implemented the Ten Principles of the UN Global Compact in our supplier Code of Conduct, our company code and our business processes. With this communication on progress we report about the progress we have made on the Ten Principles in 2016. Additionally, we identified the relevant Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) and make a reference the relevant sections of our Integrated Annual Report 2016.

## Statement of the CEO

I am pleased to confirm that TenneT reaffirms its support of the Ten Principles of the United Nations Global Compact in the areas of Human Rights, Labour, Environment and Anti-Corruption. In this annual Communication on Progress, we describe our actions to continually improve the integration of the principles into our business strategy, culture and daily operations. We also commit to sharing this information with our stakeholders using our primary channels of communication.

Yours sincerely, TenneT Holding B.V.

J.M. Kroon Chief Executive Officer



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For each principle a reference is made to the relevant section of our Integrated Annual Report that describes our progress. The annual report can be found online; <a href="http://annualreport.tennet.eu/2016/annualreport">http://annualreport.tennet.eu/2016/annualreport</a>.

The way TenneT manages Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) in general is described in the <u>CSR Reporting Principles</u> of our annual report.

UN Global Compact Principles	Description of practical actions and measurement of outcomes can be found in the sections
Principle 1: Businesses should support and respect the protection of internationally proclaimed human rights;	Risk Management and Internal Control – Fraud and Integrity CSR Reporting Principles
Principle 2: make sure that they are not complicit in human rights abuses.	Risk Management and Internal Control – Fraud and Integrity CSR Reporting Principles
Principle 3: Businesses should uphold the freedom of association and the effective recognition of the right to collective bargaining;	Employees
Principle 4: the elimination of all forms of forced and compulsory labour;	CSR Reporting Principles
Principle 5: the effective abolition of child labour; and	CSR Reporting Principles
Principle 6: the elimination of discrimination in respect of employment and occupation.	Employees CSR Reporting Principles
Principle 7: Businesses should support a precautionary approach to environmental challenges;	<u>Environment</u>
Principle 8: undertake initiatives to promote greater environmental responsibility; and	<u>Environment</u>
Principle 9: encourage the development and diffusion of environmentally friendly technologies.	Environment
Principle 10: Businesses should work against corruption in all its forms, including extortion and bribery.	Risk Management and Internal Control – Fraud and Integrity



# **Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)**

From the seventeen Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), the relevant SDGs for TenneT have been identified. Our contribution to each of these goals is described in our integrated annual report. For each goal a reference is made to the relevant chapter in our report.

Sustainable Development Goals	Target to which TenneT makes a contribution	Reference to relevant section annual report
7 AFFORDABLE AND CLEAN ENERGY	By 2030, increase substantially the share of renewable energy in the global energy mix By 2030, enhance international cooperation to facilitate access to clean energy research and technology, including renewable energy, energy efficiency and advanced and cleaner fossil-fuel technology, and promote investment in energy infrastructure and clean energy technology	<u>Markets</u>
9 INDUSTRY, INNOVATION AND INFRASTRUCTURE	Develop quality, reliable, sustainable and resilient infrastructure, including regional and transborder infrastructure, to support economic development and human well-being, with a focus on affordable and equitable access for all	Markets Society
14 LIFE BELOW WATER	By 2020, sustainably manage and protect marine and coastal ecosystems to avoid significant adverse impacts, including by strengthening their resilience, and take action for their restoration in order to achieve healthy and productive oceans	Environment
15 LIFE ON LAND	By 2020, promote the implementation of sustainable management of all types of forests	Environment