

July 24, 2017

To our Stakeholders,

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 of 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.

Faber-Castell joined the United Nations Global Compact in June 2003, hence being one of the first medium-sized companies pledging to deal with social, ecological, and economic challenges in a sustainable manner. We are determined to continue this spirit and commitment in our business. Faber-Castell has recently welcome our new CEO, Mr. Daniel Rogger, and we therefore would like to request more time in creating, sharing and posting our COP report which will compromis a statement from him.

We hereby ask for an extension period in order to be able to post a COP that descrives our company's efforts and progress to implement the principles of the UN Global Compact. Our new COP report will be posted on the UN Global Compact website by the 17<sup>th</sup> of November, 2017 at the latest.

Sincerely yours,

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