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**TO MRS. LISE KINGO – EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR  
UN GLOBAL COMPACT**

Esteemed Mrs. Kingo,

I take advantage of this opportunity, to express my congratulation on a year of accomplishments and sustained activities at the helm of The UN Global Compact.

I want also to avail this opportunity to wish you for 2018 a mandate full of achievements, for the benefit of a rapid universal completion of the Millennium Development Goal and for fostering the involvement of all the sectors of civil society in promoting the awareness and realization of MDG objectives.

1. Regarding the Communication on Engagement (COE) it is my honor to start by **reiterating the continuous commitment of Institute of International Relations and Economic Cooperation of Romania to the 10 principles of United Nations Global Compact Initiative.**
2. Regarding the description of the practical actions in support of the UN Global Compact principles and the measurements of the outcomes in the period between August 2015 –August 2017 our Institution organized the following events in the support and in connection to Global Compact Initiative
  - a. Starting from September 2015, IRICE has started the LESSONS ON MILLENNIUM DEVELOPMENT GOALS (MDG) and SDG  
The WORLD LECTURES on Sustainable Development Goals focus on giving participants the essential competencies, skills and multidisciplinary knowledge to become globally responsible sustainable development leaders and managers. The central point of the series of WORLD LECTURES will be to create awareness on MDG and sustainable development goals (SDGs) among world community members and concerned government stakeholders will improve and sustain interactions between government and the people. More on LESSONS ON MILLENNIUM DEVELOPMENT GOALS (MDG) at IRICE can be discovered here:  
<http://iricer.webs.com/worldlecturesonsdgs.htm>
  - b. In **March 2016** The Institute of International Relations and Economic Cooperation had hosted the special conference on Development Goals and UN Global Compact Initiative and Sustainable Development Goals role in combating poverty in Romania. (more details about the event can be discovered here:  
<https://centruldiplomatic.wordpress.com/2015/10/04/romanian-economic-crisis-and-rampant-poverty-can-be-tackled-on-sdgs-framework/>)
  - c. In **March 2017** The Institute of International Relations and Economic Cooperation had hosted the Second Special Conference on Development Goals and UN Global Compact Initiative and Sustainable Development Goals role in combating poverty and tackling economic crisis in Romania. The conference was based on UN Report of Mr. Philip Alston.  
(<http://iricer.webs.com/apps/blog/show/44431320-2018-romania-lovita-de-criză-economica-si-financiara> )

- d. The Second Bucharest Conference on World Democratic Models presenting the importance of democracy and liberty as fundamentals in promoting development, equilibrium and in insuring the Millennium Development Goals and UN Global Compact targets.

Date: 3 March 2016-Place Romanian Parliament

Participants: 300 members of the Romanian parliaments, diplomats accredited to Bucharest, special guests from Central Asia and Assembly of Peoples of Kazakhstan and Kazakhstan Parliament.

- e. **Phnom Penh Tourism Conference for 2016.** The conference on development in Asia, on international support for tourism and state building in the Asia region was organized in cooperation with European Council on Tourism and Trade and Minister of Tourism of Cambodia and under the Office of Prime Minister of Kingdom of Cambodia HUN SEN

Date: 10 July 2016

Participants: 500 diplomats, parliamentarians and ministers for Asia, Africa, Cambodia, European union, NGO and civil society organizations and representatives from Central and Eastern Europe.

- f. On 5 October 2016, **Institute of International Relations and Economic Cooperation (IRICE)** hosted the WORLD TOURISM DAY, under the banner: Tourism as a driving force for culture and development! The event was held in cooperation with European Council on Tourism and Trade and European Tourism Academy.

**The Institute of International Relations and Economic Cooperation (IRICE) hosted the presentation and public signature of the United Nations Open Letter to Academic Institutions: Educate Future Managers and Leaders on Business and Human Rights.**

The ceremony has taken place on July 14, 2017 and the letter was publicly signed by The IRICE President, Professor Dr. Anton Caragea.

Participants: 56 diplomats accredited to Bucharest and 23 members of the press and 102 members of the Romanian Parliament.

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- h. On **July 16, 2017 the Letter of United Nations General Assembly President-Ambassador Peter Thomson** calling on world leader`s support for the global implementation of MDG and Sustainable Development Goals was openly read to the Diplomatic Community accredited to Romania.

Participants: 60 diplomats accredited to Bucharest and 12 members of the press and 82 members of the Romanian Parliament.

- i. In August 8, 2017, **The Institute of International Relations and Economic Cooperation (IRICE)** had officially signed the partnership for **Parliamentarian Assembly for Implementation of SDGs**.(More details on <https://sustainabledevelopment.un.org/partnership/?p=11107>)

Esteemed Mrs. Lise Kingo-UN Global Compact Executive Director,

I must reiterate our support and warm appreciation for your efforts on behalf of Global Compact Initiative and we are remaining true to our dedication in a common vision of a better world.

Your devoted,

Professor Anton Caragea PhD, MA, FINS



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