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Part I. Statement of Continued Support by the Executive Director of Law and Internet Foundation

11.10.2017

To our stakeholders:

I am pleased to confirm that Law and Internet Foundation reaffirms its support to the United Nations Global Compact and its Ten Principles in the areas of Human Rights, Labour, Environment and Anti-Corruption. The following is our Communication on Engagement with the United Nations Global Compact. We welcome feedback on its contents.

In this Communication of Engagement, we describe the actions that our organization has taken to support the UN Global Compact and its Principles as suggested for an organization like ours. We also commit to sharing this information with our stakeholders using our primary channels of communication.

Sincerely yours,

Assoc. Prof. Daniela Ilieva-Koleva, PhD.

Executive Director



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Period covered by this Communication on Engagement:

From: 12.10.2015 To: 11.10.2017

Part II. Description of Actions

To support the Global Compact, Law and Internet Foundation has undertaken the following activities in the previous two years, since we became part of the Global Compact:

- We have incorporated the UN Global Compact principles into internal operations and communicate progress following the Communication on Progress (COP) requirements;
- We have incorporated the UN Global Compact principles into the creation and implementation of all current and future projects of the Foundation;
- We have based several of our current projects on the UN Global Compact principles, including:
 - E-PROTECT (Enhancing PROtection of Children – vicTims of crime) - The project is set to develop a sophisticated online platform which will not only provide exhaustive information about Directive 2012/29/EU's practical application and transposition with regards to Child rights but also host targeted online events. E-PROTECT is extremely dedicated to raise the overall awareness on child' rights, granted by Directive 2012/29/EU and to inspire a cooperation among the large variety of professionals which deal with child victims of crime and often are their first point of contact. (Human rights principle)
 - StopR (Stop Youth Radicalisation) - The project aims to enhance the abilities of youth workers to stop and prevent radicalization among young people in the EU in a timely and effective fashion. StopR will develop a quality mark, which will help recognize the best methodologies in this area of youth work, and will give access to those methodologies in an online space, open to youth workers around the EU and the world. (Human rights principle)
 - DiFens (Digital Security for Young Entrepreneurs) - The DiFens partnership aims to develop collaborative online platform, where groups of potential

young entrepreneurs and young entrepreneurs can find information, advice, mentoring and peer learning that will help them in the challenging task of sustaining and expanding their business ventures. DiFens is focused on promoting Digital Security importance to young professionals, but also on acquisition of specific knowledge and skills for management of sustainable business ventures, as well as fostering social innovations among young entrepreneurs. (Labour principle)

- MYNNOVA (Mentoring Platform for Young Social Innovators) – The MYNNOVA project aims to develop an online mentoring platform for young people, aspiring to design, plan and carry out social innovations to address current pressing national and European challenges. The product of the MYNNOVA project – the Euromentor platform, which will launch December 2017, will focus in offering mentoring support to young people that are motivated to develop social enterprises contributing to tackling issues of highest policy and societal significance to our countries and Europe as a whole, namely: fighting poverty and social exclusion, unemployment, climate change. (Labour principle)
- We have participated in events, which promote the UN Global Principles (ex. QED'17 “Children in the Digital Era”, which was held in Sofia under the Patronage of the Bulgarian National Commission for UNESCO) and, after discussing with the Bulgarian Food Bank, have made sure that all events, organized by Law and Internet Foundation, have been compliant with the food provision rules, championed by the Bulgarian Food Bank and the UNGC Network Bulgaria;
- We have joined and supported the UNGC Network Bulgaria and Bulgarian Food Bank’s joint initiative to lower food waste at corporate events.



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Part III. Measurement of Outcomes

For the previous two years, Law and Internet Foundation has achieved the following qualitative and quantitative outcomes to measure the results of the activities, listed in the previous part of the COE:

- 15 current projects compatible with the UN Global Compact principles, with more than 40 different partners involved, introduced to the UN Global compact in various ways – meeting, memos, example;
- 4 current projects based on the UN Global Compact principles;
- UN Global Compact principles disseminated in 8 universities in which members of the Foundation lecture in (one of which is a lecturer in Corporate Social Responsibility);
- Increased awareness of UN Global Compact principles of Law and Internet Foundation stakeholders through various means;
- 2 publications published by members of the Foundation, related to environmental sustainability;
- More than 15 corporate events held within the principles of the UNGL Network Bulgaria and the Bulgarian Food Bank's joint principles on food waste reduction.