

COMMUNICATION ON ENGAGEMENT (COE)

SEPT (NGO) Save Energy Plant Trees



Period covered by this Communication on Engagement

From: [2015-12-10]

To: [2018-03-10]

Part I. Statement of Continued Support by the Chief Executive or Equivalent

[December 17, 2018]

To our stakeholders:

I am pleased to confirm that SEPT: Save Energy Plant Trees reaffirms its support to the United Nations Global Compact and its Ten Principles in the areas of Human Rights, Labor, Environment and Anti-Corruption. This 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,

Dr. Pierre EL HADDAD
Founder and Board Member

Part II. Description of Actions

Examples of actions include:

GREAT project: GREening the Ancient Terraces of Lebanon was a participatory approach to engage the communities, municipalities, and other stakeholders in the restoration of degraded terraces. Agro-forestry trees were planted in three locations Anfeh-Koura, Gebrayel-Akkar, and Bqaatouta-Higher Kesrouan. The project was financed by US embassy

Firewise: is a participatory approach to engage local communities in the protection of their forests from fires. SEPT was the local implementing partner in Ajaltoun. The project was led by Lebanese Reforestation Initiative (USAID project). Firewise was later expanded to several municipalities around Ajaltoun cluster.

ACSESS Plus: Advocate college students for the environment and sustainable society, is project implemented in 4 Lebanese universities to raise awareness and train future professionals to advocate Corporate Social Responsibility.

Decentralization and Networked Governance: SEPT is a partner in an active network of NGOs working on decentralization from the developmental perspective, emphasizing the inclusive participation of stakeholders.

Tree planting in Sabbah-Jezzine: planting stone pine trees with local communities.

SEPT is actively participating in an action research project with a number of other NGOs to study the problems of cooperation among Lebanese civil society organizations, and to produce recommendations.

And a series of short conferences and panels revolving around social-economic management, networked governance, and corporate social responsibility.

Part III. Measurement of Outcomes

An actionable knowledge on networking between local communities, municipalities, businesses, and external stakeholders in managing networks.

A practice oriented academic publication tackling cooperation among Lebanese NGOs (underway)

Ownership by local communities of tangible and intangible assets developed projects in the course of projects, as assurance for sustainability.

10,000 fruit bearing agroforestry trees, preserving and enhancing the natural landscape, and seeding for a local economic cycle based on their produce.