COMMUNICATION ON ENGAGEMENT (COE)

SeConS Development Initiative Group

Period covered by this Communication on Engagement

From: 1st January 2017 To: 25th December 2018

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

Please use the box below to include the statement of continued support signed by your organization's Chief Executive or equivalent.

To our stakeholders:

I am pleased to confirm that SeConS Development Initiative Group reaffirms its support to the United Nations Global Compact and its Ten Principles in the areas of Human Rights, Labour, 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,

Olivera Vukovic

Executive Director

Part II. Description of Actions

Please use the box below to describe the actions your organization has taken in support of the Global Compact. It is strongly recommended that the actions taken are related to one or more of the specific activities suggested. Please refer to the complete list of suggested activities for your type of organization found here.

In the last two years SeConS has taken numerous actions in order to support the Global Compact. Some of those actions can be classified as academia, while others can be seen as civil society organizations activities. Those activities are:

- Promotion of the GC and its principles through applied research and thought leadership in relation to the Global Compact and also by delivering education on topics related to the Global Compact
- Participation in Global Compact global and local events
- Joining special initiatives and work streams
- Engage with Global Compact Local Networks

Part III. Measurement of Outcomes

Please use the box below to include the most relevant qualitative and/or quantitative indicators to measure the outcome of the activities described in Part II above.

- Conducted Rapid Integrated Assessment (RIA) to analyze presence of SDG targets and goals in legislative framework in Serbia by reviewing 145 national policy documents (national programs, national strategies and action plans)
- In partnership with University of Belgrade School of Electrical Engineering, SeConS implemented the
 project "The use of Artificial Intelligence to automate the Rapid Integrated Assessment mechanism
 and to nationalize Sustainable Development Goals in Serbia" to test if AutoRIA could be used in other
 countries
- Executive director Olivera Vukovic was twice Deputy Chairperson of Global Compact Local Network
- SeConS presented Poverty Watch report "Poverty through UN Agenda 2030" on meeting in Belgrade organized by EAPN "EU Inclusion Strategies Group (EU ISG)"
- In 2017 SeConS wrote report "Caution, poverty! Monitoring of poverty within the UN 2030 Development Agenda" analyzing poverty in Serbia through SDG goals