

CEO Letter

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SABIC's commitment to the UN Global Compact

As a signatory since 2012, SABIC is committed to the ten principles of the UN Global Compact (UNGC) and the 17 Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), and operates in ways that reflect our fundamental responsibilities in the areas of human rights, labor, the environment, anti-corruption, and sustainable development.


Our Communication on Progress (COP) is integrated in SABIC's annual Sustainability Report. We believe that our Sustainability Report reflects our commitment to advancing those principles within our sphere of influence. We support public accountability and transparency, and we trust that our Sustainability Report demonstrates our annual progress.

With specific regard to human rights, in 2016, we made our most significant advance through the implementation of our Global Supplier Due Diligence Program. For businesses, one aspect of respecting human rights is using due diligence to avoid infringing on them. Our due-diligence program includes a rigorous, ongoing process to identify, prevent, and mitigate negative human-rights impacts in the supply chain.

With regard to the SDGs, we created our sustainability program in 2009 to address global challenges, to inform our business strategy, and to bring a sense of urgency to our mission. Megatrends such as population growth, rapid urbanization, and changing mobility result in unmet needs for clean energy, infrastructure, efficient transportation, effective healthcare, greater connectivity across geographies, a circular economy, and much more. As a global chemical company with a strong growth agenda, we believe these trends present business risks in balance with opportunities – underscoring the importance of our sustainability ambitions as they relate to the SDGs.

We understand that strong relationships and partnerships with stakeholders across our value chain, in the public, private, and nonprofit sectors, are critical to addressing sustainable development challenges and priorities across rapidly changing global markets.

Sincerely yours,

A blue ink signature of Yousef Abdullah Al-Benyan, enclosed in a blue oval.

Yousef Abdullah Al-Benyan
Vice Chairman and CEO