COMMUNICATION ON ENGAGEMENT (COE)

Save the Children Denmark

Period covered by this Communication on Engagement: From: 13 June 2018 to: 28 June 2021

Part II. Description of Actions

Save the Children Denmark is part of the wider Save the Children Alliance – a child rights organization, having helped create the UN Convention on the Rights of the Child. Our activities are based on human rights – with a special focus on Child Rights, our advocacy, our employment of staff and activities in communities are based on human rights principles, as well as the wider principles of the UN Global Compact.

In addition to being part of the UNGC Danish network, we also promote the Save the Children, UN Global Compact and UNICEF 'Child's Rights and Business Principles' (2012) Children Introduce the Children's Rights and Business Principles | UN Global Compact, which provides guidance on what business can do in the workplace, marketplace and community to respect and support children's rights. Save the Children Sweden has developed a child version of this document, which we will also promote as part of our child rights and child participation work. The document(s) can be accessed through Children's Rights and Business | Resource Centre (savethechildren.net)

The global Centre for Child Rights and Business, hosted by Save the Children Sweden, is a Centre of Excellence bringing together research, advocacy and training to work with business on their sustainability agenda and practices relating to children. Save the Children Denmark will work closely with our colleagues in Save the Children Sweden to further this agenda – and can facilitate contacts and support to business partners through this joint facility.

Partnerships with private sector and other key, external partners is part of Save the Children's theory of change, and builds on the strong belief and SDG 17 commitment as well – that we can achieve more for children through partnerships; sharing knowledge, influence and build capacity to ensure children's rights are met. It is important to us that compliance and Partnering with us is powered by mutual respect and a clear understanding of the importance of private sector to engage and the maximizing and long-term effect for children and their rights the Partnership can have.

In our partnerships with the private sector, we engage with Partners that are applying and respecting Child Rights and follow the Save the Children 'agreed ways of working' global guidance. It is vital for us to ensure that our partners comply with the ethical standards of Save the Children. As such we follow a standard procedure using an independent agency for screening for a range of criteria related to child labour, human rights in the supply chain, use of carbon, business ethics etc.

A partner to Save the Children Denmark/ Save the Children International guarantees that they and their associates (organization, company, subsidiaries, associated companies, suppliers will):

- Comply with the UN Global Compact principles and in particular protect children against child labour that decreases children's rights to life, education and health and hinder children's physical- and mental health and social development.
- Not compromise Save the Children's' mission and reputation.

Save the Children Denmark, annual report, 2019, is enclosed.