

# **Global Compact 2021- 2022 Report**

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

February 22, 2022

**H.E. António Guterres** Secretary-General United Nations  
New York, NY 10017 USA

Dear **Mr. Secretary General**,

I am pleased to confirm that ***The International Federation for Peace and Sustainable Development (“IFPSD”)*** supports the ten principles of the ***UN Global Compact*** with respect to human rights, labor, environment and anti-corruption. With this commitment, we express our intent to support the Global Compact advancing these principles, and will make a clear statement of this commitment to our stakeholders and the general public.

We also pledge to participate in and engage with the ***UN Global Compact*** in the following ways:

- Propose and implement partnerships across sectors of ***UN Global Compact*** through networking and collaboration.
- Join and support issue platforms and work streams to implement the ***Sustainable Development Goals (SDG’s)***.

***IFPSD*** is a non-profit organization, which promotes the United Nations commitment to international peace, security and justice through educational programs, public relations and community outreach initiatives. We have established networks and liaison offices in other regions of the world to help raise awareness on issues concerning Human Rights, Peace Security and Justice, Empowerment of Women, Youth Leadership, Human Trafficking, and Interfaith Dialogue. ***IFPSD*** will continue to pursue the

***Sustainable Development Goals (SDG's)*** by innovating peaceful and human rights strategies that may reach the majority around the world.

We recognize that a key requirement for participation in the ***Global Compact*** is the submission of a ***Communication on Engagement (COE)*** that describes our organization's efforts to support the implementation of the ten principles and to engage with the ***Global Compact***. We support public accountability and transparency, and therefore commit to report on progress within two years of joining the ***Global Compact*** and every two years thereafter according to the ***Global Compact COE*** policy.

Sincerely yours,

*Pally Hader*

President

International Federation for Peace and Sustainable Development

## **Part 2: Description of Actions:**

- In support of ***Global Compact Principle 1*** (Businesses should support and respect the protection of internationally proclaimed human rights) the ***International Federation for Peace and Sustainable Development*** hosted the high-level event “***Moving Forward: Falling Behind: Achieving Full Empowerment of Women during a Global Pandemic***” on June 4th 2021. The program focuses upon the global impact of COVID on women. Women are more vulnerable to COVID-19–related economic effects because of existing gender inequalities. This event was of great timeliness as women are subjected to greater domestic violence and disproportionate economic losses, gender disparity and a decreasing number of women who maintain full

participation and decision-making at all levels. Women and girls around the world faced unprecedented suffering and hardships due to the Covid-19 pandemic. This high-level event was high exposure and successfully shed light on critical social matters that needed to be addressed. Through its vast network and relations the **IFPSD** brought forth an expert panel of distinguished speakers of which included the Ambassador of the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia to the Kingdom of Norway, Former President of the **UN** International Criminal Tribunal for Rwanda, current Ambassador of Georgia to the **UN** and former Deputy Chief of Mission to the North Atlantic Treaty Organization (**NATO**) in Brussels, current Ambassador of Mauritania to the **UN** and former Cabinet of the Ministry for Foreign Affairs, Ambassador of the Permanent Observer of the African Union (**AU**) to the **UN**, among others. The panel aimed to strengthen, develop, and equip the necessary laws and tactics that will better protect women in response to the human rights issues exacerbated by the ongoing pandemic.

- In support of **Global Compact Principle 2** (Make sure that they are not complicit in human rights abuses) the **IFPSD** hosted the high-level event “**Women’s Access to Justice, Social Protection, Inheritance, and the Right to Grant Nationality to her Children**” at the “**Annual Day at the United Nations with the International Federation for Peace and Sustainable Development hosting the National Association of Women Judges**” on June 4th, 2021. The program focuses upon women in the Middle East and Africa and the challenges they face in terms of justice and upholding her fundamental human rights. The distinguished panel of speakers included prominent diplomats and dignitaries discussing the various aspects of diplomatic and political leadership in the Middle East and the

effects of gender upon statelessness and women's rights in the region with the objective to establish clear and achievable recommendations for effective implementation and sustainable development. The event highlighted the importance of law for protection and for the successful implementation of current programs and laws as the core for combatting this issue.

- In support of **Global Compact Principle 2** (Make sure that they are not complicit in human rights abuses) the **IFPSD** hosted a ***“High-Level Panel Discussion on the Unprecedented Suffering, Hardships, and the Increase in Domestic Violence that Women faced Globally due to the COVID-19 Pandemic”*** during the **65th Commission on the Status of Women (CSW)** on March 16th, 2021 in partnership with the **Permanent Mission of Guatemala** to the **United Nations**. This high-level meeting panel discussion is composed of experts to bring awareness of the pandemic's effect on women and girls and address the role of relevant stakeholders in implementing solutions to this global crisis. The fight for gender equality is no exception, from surging reports of domestic violence to disproportionate economic losses, gender disparity, and decreasing number of women who maintain full participation and decision-making at all levels. Women and girls around the world faced unprecedented suffering and hardships due to the Covid-19 pandemic. This humanitarian crisis is not only limited to women in urban settings living in developed and underdeveloped nations. Distinguished speakers included Ambassador of Guatemala to the **UN**, Ambassador of Honduras to the **UN**, Tani Austin of the Starkey Hearing Foundation, and President of the National Association of Women Judges the Honorable Bernadette D'Souza among others. The panel of experts shared their knowledge, experience, and expertise to make concrete recommendations for there to be

more accountability and better prevention and protection on all violence and human rights violations towards women.

- In support of **Global Compact Principle 6** (The elimination of discrimination in respect of employment and occupation) the **IFPSD participated** and supported the **World Youth Summit 2021** on July 31st, 2021. President and Founder of the **IFPSD Mrs. Sally Kader** was the **Guest of Honor**. The virtual Summit connected thousands of young people with an aim to inspire, enable and engage. Inspire: by sharing examples of impactful initiatives implemented by young people at local, national, regional and global level. Enable: by providing a wide range of workshops offering hands-on, practical knowledge to young people by leading experts and peer educators. Engage: by providing networking opportunities for youth with peers and key stakeholders and identifying critical priorities for youth to champion and own in the employment and occupation environment of a post-COVID-19 world.
- In support of the **Global Compact Mission** for companies to align strategies and operations with universal principles on human rights and take actions that advance societal goals, the **IFPSD** is participating in the upcoming **66th session of the Commission on the Status of Women (CSW66)**. The event will take place at the **UN Headquarters** in **New York** from March 14 to 25, 2022. Representatives of Member States, **UN** entities and civil society from all regions of the world will be attending. The **IFPSD** will be hosting a high-level event at the **CSW**. The priority theme is on the timely subject of achieving gender equality and the empowerment of all women and girls in the context of climate change, environmental and disaster risk reduction policies and programmes. Advancing gender equality in the context of the

climate crisis and disaster risk reduction is one of the greatest global challenges of the 21st century. The organization annually hosts events and expert panels in partnership with **UN** Member States, **UN** Ambassadors, heads of states, and distinguished participants at the **Commission** to promote gender equality and the empowerment of women. The **IFPSD** effectively brings together crucial stakeholders from a powerful variety of sectors through impactful programs, initiatives, and high-level events at the **UN** in support of the **United Nations Sustainable Development Goals** and the advancement of the universal principles on human rights.

### **Part 3: Measurement of Outcomes:**

The most relevant indicator that measures the outcomes of the activities described in Part II by the **IFPSD** would be the “**Third Annual Day at the United Nations**” on June 4th, 2021, a High-Level Conference where the **IFPSD** hosted the **National Association of Women Judges (NAWJ)**. The conference was on the timely theme of “**Moving Forward; Falling Behind: Achieving Full Empowerment of Women during a Global Pandemic**”. This high-level event was high exposure and successfully shed light on critical social matters that needed to be addressed. Through its vast network and relations the **IFPSD** brought forth an expert panel of distinguished speakers of which included the Ambassador of the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia to the Kingdom of Norway, Former President of the **UN** International Criminal Tribunal for Rwanda, current Ambassador of Georgia to the **UN** and former Deputy Chief of Mission to the North Atlantic Treaty Organization (**NATO**) in Brussels, current Ambassador of Mauritania to the **UN** and former Cabinet of the Ministry for

Foreign Affairs, Ambassador of the Permanent Observer of the African Union (**AU**) to the **UN**, among others. The partnership of the **IFPSD** and the **NAWJ** demonstrates the effectiveness of strategic partnerships to better advocate for the rights of humans and bring forth sustainable development through action.