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The French Chamber of Commerce in Singapore Communication on Engagement

Period covered by this Communication on Engagement June 2021 - June 2022

Statement of Continued Support by the Chief Executive or Equivalent

The French Chamber of Commerce in Singapore (FCCS) is pleased to confirm its commitment and support to the United Nations Global Compact (UNGC) and its Ten Principles in the areas of Human Rights, Labour, Environment and Anti-Corruption. This is the FCCS's first Communication on Engagement with the UNGC. We welcome feedback on its contents.

The FCCS is a non-profit association that promotes relations, business activities, and mutual development between Singapore and France. Our mission consists of connecting, promoting, bringing together a strong business network of companies, and boosting their development in Singapore and in the region.

The FCCS is proud to be a participant of the UNGC since 2022. 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.

Our Actions and Impact

The FCCS is determined to take part and engage our business community towards more sustainable business. We encourage our members to find, share, promote solutions and act together to make a tangible change. One of our roles is consequently to encourage businesses to become champions in sustainability through collective commitments and actions.

The FCCS encourages our members to join the UNGC. In March 2022, we organised a training session featuring expert speaker from Global Compact Network Singapore (GCNS). After the training session, we helped our members to connect with the GCNS for further inquiries and encourages our members to partner with the GCNS and to join the UNGC as a participant.

The FCCS continued to provide sustainability-related information and knowledge through a series of webinars, committee meetings, roundtable sharing sessions and dedicated articles. In the past year, the FCCS conducted several actions and focused on different sustainability related themes: From government roundtable with Grace Fu, Minister for Sustainability and the Environment focusing on the Singapore Green Plan 2030; From a leading company in sustainability with Mr. Olivier Blum, Group Chief Strategy & Sustainability Officer at Schneider Electric; From organising dedicated workshops for our members on Climate Fresk, on How to Calculate Your Carbon Footprint, and on How to Identify an Impactful and Meaningful 3R (Reduce, Reuse, Recycle) Plan and many more.



In 2022, the FCCS has launched a CEO's Sustainability Series interviewing leaders on their sustainability journey so far, their challenges as well as opportunities. So far, we have interviewed CEOs from 17 companies.

The FCCS has a dynamic Sustainability & Responsibility Committee and Club in terms of member numbers and thematic. From 2021 and 2022, we have organised 30+ sustainability themed events and workshops. More than 20% of our events are related to sustainability.

The FCCS also invited CEOs from large Singaporean companies to share more about their sustainability strategy in Singapore and beyond. In June 2022, we are organising a conversation with CEO of JTC Corporation, who will share on JTC's efforts in balancing the sustainability and business needs of emerging industries.

Measurement of Outcomes

From 2021 and 2022, we have organised 30+ sustainability themed events, workshops, and club meetings. More than 20% of our events are related to sustainability. Through these events and workshops, we offered our members a platform for learning, sharing, networking, and cooperating with local and international entities, as well as the Global Compact Network Singapore (GCNS).

In November 2021, we have conducted a sustainability survey to our members which helped us to understand members' current sustainability practices, identify their key drivers, and ensure that we can help meet their future needs towards sustainability. Through this sustainability survey, we planned a 2022 roadmap with topics related to sustainability that can better meet our members' needs so that they can achieve their circular economy and sustainability goals.

In March 2022, we invited the GCNS to be our guest speaker for one of our training sessions. This training session aims to educate our members on How to Calculate Carbon Footprint, to promote the United Nations Global Compact Ten Principles, and to educate a variety of audiences about sustainability. After the session, we liaised our members with Global Compact Network Singapore, and encourages our members to be a participant of the United Nations Global Compact.

Every Monday, we relay the sustainable initiatives of our members showcasing their case studies and actions in our business news and Weekly Newsletter.

The FCCS is looking forward to going further by involving all our members in the challenging but essential journey, by providing them with knowledge and connecting them even more with Global Compact Local Network to support its development and activities, and the Singaporean business community to implement the necessary actions for a sustainable future.

Sincerely yours,

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