



Communication on Engagement (COE) 2021-2022 to the Global Compact

The independent development and environmental organisation Germanwatch e.V. joined the United Nations Global Compact in 2006. During the last 24 months, Germanwatch as civil society organisation explicitly complied with the ten principles of the Global Compact throughout its activities and goals.

Focussing its activities on the following main areas

- Climate Protection and Adaptation
- Food Security
- Corporate Accountability
- Education for Sustainable Development

Germanwatch is contributing to global justice and the adherence to our planetary boundaries.

During the last 24 months, we were especially working towards the adoption of an effective German Supply Chain Law (Lieferkettensorgfaltspflichtengesetz) and afterwards towards its implementation and were working towards an ambitious engagement of the German government towards the European Corporate Sustainability Due Diligence Directive. Both regulations strongly build upon the UN Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights. We are one of the initiators and an active member of the "Initiative Lieferkettengesetz", a civil society coalition of over 130 organisations, working towards ambitious human rights and environmental due diligence regulations for companies both in Germany and in Europe. Furthermore, we are representing the German NGOs in the European coalition for Corporate Justice (ECCJ) which is active in Brussels regarding CSDDD.

Furthermore, Germanwatch sought to activate the German government to put into practice the SDGs with the 2030 Agenda and to implement the Paris Agreement on Climate Protection. On climate protection and energy, Germanwatch is one of the active drivers in the NGO community in Germany as well as at global level. During the current multiple global crises because of the Russian war against Ukraine, the corona pandemic, and last but not least the climate crisis, a strong focus of our work was on a sustainable restructuring of our economy.

Further details on the activities of Germanwatch can be found in our Annual Reports (only in German) which are attached to this letter.
(<https://germanwatch.org/de/rechenschaftsberichte>)

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