

COMMUNICATION ON ENGAGEMENT (COE)

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To: 03/2023

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

Please use the box below to include the statement of continued support signed by your organization's Chief Executive or equivalent.

To our stakeholders:

I am pleased to confirm that Solidaridad Paraguay reaffirms its support to the United Nations Global Compact and its Ten Principles in the areas of Human Rights, Labour, Environment and Anti-Corruption. This is our Communication on Engagement with the United Nations Global Compact. We welcome feedback on its contents.

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 using our primary channels of communication.

Sincerely yours,

*Mario César Salas
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General Manager*

Please use the box below to describe the actions your organization has taken in support of the Global Compact. It is strongly recommended that the actions taken are related to one or more of the specific activities suggested. *Please refer to the complete list of suggested activities for your type of organization found [here](#).*

- ***Solidaridad Paraguay has engaged with the Global Compact Local Network through virtual and physical meeting, national and international events.***
- ***Solidaridad Paraguay has proposed partnership projects on sustainable development (regarding SDG 1, SDG 2, SDG5, SDG 12, SDG 13, SDG 15) to local cooperatives, international companies, producers' associations, among others. More information:***

1. <https://www.solidaridadnetwork.org/news/how-good-practices-are-improving-the-soy-supply-chain-in-paraguay/>
2. <https://www.solidaridadsouthamerica.org/es/news/paraguay-mejoragro-seleccionado-al-reconocimiento-verde>
3. <https://www.solidaridadsouthamerica.org/es/news/transformando-objetivos-globales-en-metas-locales-0>
4. <https://www.solidaridadnetwork.org/news/what-is-carbon-sequestration-and-why-its-key-for-climate-smart-livestock-farming/>
5. <https://www.solidaridadnetwork.org/news/partnerships-for-pandemic-support-in-paraguay/>
6. <https://www.solidaridadsouthamerica.org/es/news/el-aporte-de-la-mujer-ind%C3%ADgena-no-est%C3%A1-siquiera-visibilizado-en-las-estad%C3%ADsticas-nacionales>
7. <https://www.solidaridadsouthamerica.org/es/history/anibal-l%C3%B3pez-balanceando-tradiciones-y-nuevas-salidas-econ%C3%B3micas>
8. <https://www.solidaridadsouthamerica.org/es/history/un-oasis-en-el-chaco-seco>
9. <https://www.solidaridadsouthamerica.org/es/publications/promoting-sustainability-among-soy-family-farmers-in-paraguay>
10. <https://www.solidaridadsouthamerica.org/es/news/solidaridad-y-cargill-se-unen-para-apoyar-a-los-productores-en-colombia-y-en-el-paraguay>
11. https://www.linkedin.com/posts/solidaridad-latinoam%C3%A9rica_solidaridad-el-estribo-activity-6776234736831606784-03Jh
12. <https://www.solidaridadsouthamerica.org/es/publications/manual-de-buenas-pr%C3%A1cticas-ganaderas>
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16. https://www.linkedin.com/posts/solidaridad-latinoam%C3%A9rica_paraguay-buenaspracticas-alianzasqueimpactan-activity-6975210572267085824-WBz9?utm_source=share&utm_medium=member_android
- **Solidaridad Paraguay supports initiatives and work streams based on sustainable development and participates actively in Global Compact global, and local events for organizations. More Information:**
 1. <https://www.solidaridadsouthamerica.org/es/news/paraguay-mejoragro-seleccionado-al-reconocimiento-verde>
 2. <https://www.solidaridadsouthamerica.org/es/news/transformando-objetivos-globales-en-metas-locales-0>

Part III. Measurement of Outcomes

Please use the box below to include the most relevant qualitative and/or quantitative indicators to measure the outcome of the activities described in Part II above.

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- *Solidaridad works with people throughout the value chain. Farmers are at the heart of our work, with a focus on smallholders and vulnerable communities. In Paraguay, our work is focused on sustainability in its essence: power to the people (inclusivity), respect for the planet (producing in balance with nature) and a fair share for everyone in the chain (prosperity). More information: <https://www.solidaridadnetwork.org/news/partnerships-for-pandemic-support-in-paraguay/> <https://www.solidaridadsouthamerica.org/es/news/el-aporte-de-la-mujer-ind%C3%ADgena-no-est%C3%A1-siquiera-visibilizado-en-las-estad%C3%ADsticas-nacionales> <https://www.solidaridadsouthamerica.org/es/publications/promoting-sustainability-among-soy-family-farmers-in-paraguay>*
 - *In June 2019, Solidaridad Paraguay participated in the Green Recognition Award organized by the UN Global Compact Paraguay. Our MejorAgro Project was a showcase at the UN Global Compact Paraguay. In December 2019, Solidaridad Paraguay was invited to the Global Compact annual meeting in Mexico to present our work on how the inclusion of small producers in sustainable projects contributes to the eradication of poverty and inequality. MejorAgro started as an initiative to gradually and measurably increase the uptake of sustainable practices among smallholder farmers (less than 200 hectares). Cooperative Colonias Unidas is one of the most respected farmer associations in Paraguay, and currently exports 3% of the country's total soybean crop. Its members own small- and medium-sized farms in a region where a zero-deforestation law applies.*
 - *The MejorAgro project won international recognition for its use of digital technology, real-time analysis of farming practices, and continual sustainability improvements. The United Nations Global Compact (UNGC), invited project staff to participate at its regional summit in Mexico in December 2019. For information: <https://www.solidaridadsouthamerica.org/es/news/transformando-objetivos-globales-en-metas-locales-0>*
- Furthermore, Solidaridad Paraguay submitted the MejorAgro's project results to an assessment to gauge its real impact and extract lessons learned to take forward. For more information: <https://www.solidaridadnetwork.org/news/how-good-practices-are-improving-the-soy-supply-chain-in-paraguay>*
- *Solidaridad Paraguay has actively contributed to the Global Compact local events. In addition, Solidaridad has participated in the development of a Manual for Environmental Solutions (Guía de Soluciones Ambientales para Empresas) and the upcoming Green Recognition Award 2021. For more information: <http://pactoglobal.org.py/uploads/eLzEbt.pdf>*
 - *In 2021, Solidaridad presented the results from the project "Climate-Smart Beef" during a meeting of the Global Compact Event. This project highlighted that the adoption of good agricultural practices in livestock ranching not only have a positive impact in the profitability of the business but it also promotes carbon sequestration through good pasture management.*
 - *In 2022, Solidaridad started a project with charities America foundation to work with soy producers to implement the continuous improvement methodology. The project focuses on increasing yields with smallholders, increasing awareness on soil conservation.*
 - *Solidaridad initiated a partnership with a private company to pilot traceability technologies with blockchain technology.*