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## **Grace Letter for DM&T**

In 2022, the EU launched a textile strategy that describes a highly ambitious vision for the European fashion and textile industry. To implement the strategy, the EU Commission has proposed at last 16 pieces of legislation that will turn the textile industry into a strictly regulated sector. The quality of this regulatory framework is critical to the success of the strategy and upcoming rules need to be coherent, feasible and enforceable, and have a minimal cost for SME's.

DM&T members are primarily comprised of small- and medium sized companies, and this new regulatory framework will imply a radical change for their business environment and operating model. Following this, the highest priority of DM&T during the past year has been understanding the exact implications for our members, raising the awareness of our members on the coming changes, and not least building their capacity to meet the future legislative requirements.

Being a member of the UN Global Compact and having committed to the 10 principles, we recognize our obligation to prepare our Communication on Engagement that comprises a CEO statement of continued support for the UN Global Compact, a description of practical actions with regard to the principles of the UN Global Compact, and a measurement of outcomes or expected outcomes.

Due to above radical changes for the fashion and textile industry and the many activities related to the changes, we are late in creating, sharing, and posting our report. We hereby ask for an extension period in order to be able to post a COE that describes our organization's efforts and progress to implement the principles of the UN Global Compact. Our new COE report will be posted on the UN Global Compact website by 2023-09-11 at the latest.

With kind regards,



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