

First Tech Fund

August 20th, 2024
H.E. António Guterres
Secretary-General
United Nations
New York, NY 10017 USA

Dear Mr. Secretary General,

I am pleased to confirm that First Tech Fund, Inc supports the ten principles of the UN Global Compact with respect to human rights, labor, environment and anti-corruption. With this renewed commitment in 2024, we express our intent to continue 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 as an academic focused non profit organization. Our specific plans for engagement are around shaping future business leaders through educating them on responsible and respectful leadership, advancing human rights and positive labor standards. We have also worked directly with corporate companies to help them understand the best ways to act sustainability and hire talent that can advise them on the latest innovations that they can take in their work. Given our ongoing dedication to closing the digital divide by providing low income and underserved communities with access to technology that allows them to pursue educational, personal development, and career opportunities, we continue to align ourselves with the Sustainable Development Goals of 4 and 10.

We recognize and continue to acknowledge 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. We're thrilled to continue to find ways to make an impact and are grateful for our participation in this coalition of forward-thinking organizations.

Sincerely,

Josue De Paz
CEO & Co-Founder, First Tech Fund