



الأمانة السورية للتنمية  
The Syria Trust for Development

H.E. Mr. Ban Ki-moon  
Secretary-General  
United Nations  
New York, NY 10017  
USA

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Dear Mr. Secretary-General,

On behalf of the Operations Management Team of the Syria Trust for Development, it is my great pleasure to confirm our organization's support of the ten principles of the Global Compact with respect to human rights, labour, environment, and anti-corruption. We would also like to confirm our intent to advance these principles within our sphere of influence. We are committed to making the Global Compact and its principles part of our organization's strategy, culture, and day-to-day operations. The Syria Trust will make a clear statement of this commitment to our stakeholders and the general public.

As a non-profit non-governmental organization, working independently as well as in partnership with the government, the private sector and international organizations on development-related projects in Syria covering the areas of Rural Development, Learning, and Cultural Heritage, we understand that we are not *required* to submit an annual Communication and Progress (COP) report that describes our organization's efforts to implement the ten principles. However, within the spirit of this voluntary and collaborative process and given our strong belief in the value of these core principles, we will make every effort to annually report on our organization's progress in implementing and championing the ten principles of the Global Compact among civil society and the private sector in Syria and the region.

We wish you all the best in your continued efforts to improve our World and we are honored to be playing a small part.

Sincerely,

Omar Abdulaziz Hallaj  
Chief Executive Officer