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H.E. António Guterres  
Secretary-General  
United Nations  
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Dear Mr. Secretary General,

I am pleased to confirm that the Overseas Development Institute supports the ten principles of the UN Global Compact with respect to human rights, labour, environment and anti-corruption. With this commitment, we express our intent 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 in the following way(s):

- Promote the UN Global Compact Ten Principles and educate a variety of audiences about sustainability.
- Implement the UN Global Compact's Ten Principles through your own strategy and operations.
- Engage with Global Compact Local Networks.
- Join and/or support issue platforms and workstreams.

We recognize 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.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Alex Thier', is written over the typed name.

Alex Thier  
Executive Director