

Managing Director

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> H.E. Mr. Antonio Guterres Secretary General United Nations New York, NY 10017 USA

Dear Mr. Secretary General,

I am pleased to confirm that **Italian Exhibition Group (IEG)** supports the ten principles of the Global Compact on human rights, labour, environment and anti-corruption.

With this communication, we express our intent to implement those principles. We are committed to making the Global Compact and its principles part of the strategy, culture and day-to-day operations of our Company and to engage in collaborative projects which advance the broader development goals of the United Nations, particularly the **Sustainable Development Goals (SDG)**.

Italian Exhibition Group (IEG) will make a clear statement of this commitment to our stakeholders and the general public.

It is worth noting that the combination of **Rimini Fiera and Fiera di Vicenza** has officially formed **Italian Exhibition Group (IEG)** on 1st November 2016. Under **IEG**, **Vicenza** is the frontrunner in Jewellery and Fashion market and **Rimini** is a leader in Wellness, Food & Beverage, Green, Technology, Entertainment, Tourism and Transport, just to name a few.

Both trade companies' complements each other moving forward to be the single engine for the international expansion and an attractive marketplace for the top firms in the world. This offers all more ways for **Italian Exhibition Group (IGE)** to become fully align with Global Compacts Sustainability Commitments.

Italian Exhibition Group (IEG) integrates both companies' know-how and positions two prime organizations Rimini Fiera and Fiera di Vicenza on the Italian trade show scene making one giant leap towards its global future. Combining their strengths together in their respective industries help IEG achieve greater synergy in the marketplace worldwide. Rimini Fiera and Fiera di Vicenza merge their capabilities, their experiences and their entrepreneurial skills to create the leading Italian provider for exhibition, events & conventions. Italian Exhibition Group (IEG) also encourages the promotional and commercial competitiveness of the made in Italy market.

Fiera di Vicenza is a world spokesperson for Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) and committed to ethical trading with a compliance of Kimberly Process Certification in the jewellery industry and has acquired ISO 14001:2015, while **Rimini Fiera** pursues an eco-friendly philosophy.



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Rimini Fiera, together with our branches of **Milan and Turin,** has acquired UNI EN ISO 14001: 2004 Environmental Certification and Rimini is recipient of the prestigious international ELCA "Building with Green" award in Nuremberg, managed under the banner of low environmental impact. The Company's expansion with the collaboration of two giant enterprises ensures development opportunities on a national and international level. Furthermore,

Italian Exhibition Group (IEG) makes certain to support and align their operations, strategies and its ethics with the universally accepted ten principles of UN Global Compact. These are the areas of human rights, labour, environment and anti-corruption and issues embodied in the Sustainable Development Goals (SDG).

Italian Exhibition Group (IEG) will always strive to incorporate the core values of UN Global Compact in decision-making processes at the highest levels. It will continuously promote responsible business practices that can make differences in communities through advocacy and outreach to all our stakeholders and general public.

We recognize that a key requirement for participation in the Global Compact is the annual submission of a communication on progress (COP) that describes Company's effort to implement the ten principles and support any specialized UN Global Compact issue platform that our Company may join at a later date.

We support public accountability and transparency and therefore commit to report on progress with one year of joining the Global Compact, and annually thereafter according to the Global Compact COP Policy. This includes:

- A statement signed of by the Chief Executive expressing continued support for the Global Compact and renewing our ongoing commitment to the initiative and its principles. This is separate from our initial letter of commitment to join the Global Compact.
- A description of practical actions (i.e. disclosure of any relevant policies, procedures, activities) that our company has taken (or plans to undertake) to implement the Global Compact principles in each of the four issue areas (human rights, labour, environment, anti-corruption).
- A measurement of outcomes (i.e. the degree to which targets/performance indicators were met, or other qualitative or quantitative measurements of results).

Global Partnership is the new frontier of business for Italian fairs, indispensable tools to support the process of expansion of companies in all sectors. **IEG** is also partner with **CIBJO** to educate industry members across the globe of the principles of CSR through programs that support the **SDGs**.

In light of the above, I await your confirmation of the **Italian Exhibition Group**'s membership to the UN Global Compact.

Sincerely yours,

Corrado Facco Managing Director