

Commitment Letter for Non-Business Organizations

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

Dear Mr. Secretary General,

I am pleased to confirm that **M.A.I.S. NGO** supports the ten principles of the UN Global Compact with respect to human rights, labor, 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:

M.A.I.S., Movimento per l'Autosviluppo, l'Interscambio e la Solidarietà is a **non-governmental organisation (NGO)**, established in 1990 in Torino, Italy. It is a **nonreligious, independent and non-profit organisation**, recognized by the Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs and by the European Union. M.A.I.S. promotes **the cooperation between peoples and fights for a fair and just world**, through promoting self-development projects, human rights defense and against any form of exploitation and social exclusion. M.A.I.S. believes that the condition of dependence and subordination of the underprivileged, the poor and the weak can be overcome through information, denouncement, awareness and interchange campaigns. It communicates with public bodies and institutions, the civil society, national and international organizations and local communities, in order to **promote social and democratic economy over the world**, encouraging participated and sustainable development of local communities.

M.A.I.S. promotes the participation and the centrality of the most vulnerable social sectors, such as **peasants, small and medium-scale producers, women, minors and exploited**, socially excluded subjects, for whom freedom and rights are not guaranteed. M.A.I.S. carries on projects in **Bolivia, Nicaragua, Guatemala, Egypt, Senegal, Mozambique**, working together with local and international organizations.

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,



Marco Ressa President and Legal representative