

May 1, 2019

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

Dear Mr. Secretary General,

I am pleased to confirm that the International Food Policy Research Institute (IFPRI) 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 public.

We also pledge to participate in and engage with the UN Global Compact in the following way(s):

- By conducting evidence-based food policy research that reduces hunger and malnutrition in environmentally sustainable ways.
- By collaborating and partnering with UN Global Compact business participants as they implement and report on their sustainability efforts.
- By engaging with local companies' operations and supply chains extending around the world and help them view poverty-reduction and environmental sustainability through a local lens

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,



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Director General