

H.E. António Guterres  
Secretary-General  
United Nations  
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USA

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Dear Mr. Secretary General,

I am pleased to confirm that the University of Technology Sydney (UTS) 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 ways.

Academic institutions play an important role in shaping future business leaders and educating them about responsible, sustainable management and leadership. To this end the Business School at UTS is a signatory to the Principles of Responsible Management Education which derive from the UN Global Compact. UTS is and will continue to be engaged in collaborative projects which advance the broader development goals of the United Nations and the UN Global Compact. In particular, as part of its ongoing sustainability research leadership role, UTS was an early signatory to the 'University Commitment' to the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), and is now an active participant of the Sustainable Development Solutions Network (SDSN). This commits UTS to supporting the Goals through its teaching, research and operational activities.

UTS joined the SDSN in the lead up to the Australian SDGs Summit in 2016, co-hosted by the SDSN and the local Global Compact Network Australia. UTS intends to join the local Global Compact Network once its Global Compact signatory status is confirmed, in order to play an active role and deepen external engagement and professional networks aligned with the SDGs and the UN Global Compact. For UTS, each of these activities is nested in the institution wide UTS 2027 strategy. This represents a vision encompassing social justice and accessibility, responsible leadership and excellence in indigenous higher education and research, underpinned by a commitment to a sustainable future.

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.

Yours sincerely,



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