



11 September 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 Global Maritime Forum 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 recognize that as a not-for-profit non-governmental organization, the Global Maritime Forum has significant influence on how businesses can work together to advance human rights, the environment, labor standards, and anti-corruption.

We pledge to participate in and engage with the UN Global Compact in the following ways:

- to continue to propose and implement partnerships across maritime stakeholders to support our mission to shape the future of global seaborne trade to increase sustainable long-term development and human wellbeing.
- to engage with Global Compact Local Networks
- to join and support issue platforms and workstreams as necessary and possible within our capacity.

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,

Michael Søsted
Managing Director, Head of Operations