

H.E. Ban Ki-moon Secretary-General **United Nations** New York, NY 10017 USA

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Dear Mr. Secretary-General,

I am pleased to confirm that IMC University of Applied Sciences Krems supports the ten principles of the Global Compact with respect to human rights, labour, environment and anti-corruption. With this communication, we express our intent to advance those principles within our sphere of influence, and will make a clear statement of this commitment to our stakeholders - especially our students - and the general public.

We also pledge to take part in the activities of the UN Global Compact where appropriate and feasible - through, for instance the participation in the Austrian Local Network; involvement in specialized initiatives and workstreams; engagement in partnership projects; and reviewing and providing commentary to participating companies on their Communications on Progress. With our degree programmes specializing in Sustainability and Corporate Social Responsibility we intend to provide input further mainstreaming these important issues.

At this point please allow me to briefly introduce our Organisation: The IMC University of Applied Sciences Krems has built up a strong international reputation and currently has over 1,900 students from all over the world. Our combination of academic and business expertise opens up excellent domestic and international career opportunities for graduates.

An international approach and practical focus are our leading priorities. University-level education tailored to professional requirements demands a solid academic background. And in order to equip them for the challenges of working life, IMC Krems students have the opportunity to study abroad - we currently have over 100 international partner universities - or complete an internship with one of our 700 partner businesses worldwide. We believe in treating all of our students as individuals. Besides establishing friendships that last a lifetime, Krems is also a place where students can make important business contacts and forge relationships with potential employers.

Dear Mr. Secretary-General, we are looking forward to participate in the United Nations Global Compact.

Sincerely yours,

Managing Director

