



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

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Dear Mr. Secretary-General,

Our two companies, Laerdal Medical and Laerdal Global Health are strongly committed to the ten principles of the Global Compact on human rights, labour, environment and anti-corruption.

To further reinforce our support, we hereby express our intent to join Global Compact. We are committed to making the Global Compact and its principles part of the strategy, culture and day-to-day operations of our company. And we will continue to engage in collaborative projects which advance the broader development goals of the United Nations, particularly the Millennium Development Goals (MDG). Our commitment towards MDG 4 and 5 has over the last years in particular been demonstrated by an active participation as a private partner in several global development alliances, in particular the *Helping Babies Breathe* and *Survive & Thrive* alliances. Ref <a href="https://www.laerdalglobalhealth.com">www.laerdalglobalhealth.com</a>

On our website and in the shared Sustainability report for Laerdal Medical and Laerdal Global Health we will make a clear statement of our commitment to our stakeholders and the general public.

We recognize that a key requirement for participation in the Global Compact is the annual submission of a Communication on Progress (COP) that describes our company's efforts to implement the ten principles. We support public accountability and transparency, and therefore commit to report on progress within *one year* of joining the Global Compact, and *annually* thereafter according to the Global Compact COP policy. Our submission will include:

- A statement signed by the chief executive expressing continued support for the Global Compact and renewing our ongoing commitment to the initiative and its principles. This is *separate* from our initial letter of commitment to join the Global Compact.
- A description of practical actions (i.e., disclosure of any relevant policies, procedures, activities) that the company has taken (or plans to undertake) to implement the Global Compact principles in each of the four issue areas (human rights, labour, environment, anti-corruption).
- A measurement of outcomes (i.e., the degree to which targets/performance indicators were met, or other qualitative or quantitative measurements of results).

Sincerely yours,

Tore Lærdal

Chairman of the Board

