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Subject:

**The University of Minho  
supports the ten principles of  
the UN Global Compact**

Dear Mr. Secretary General,

I am pleased to confirm that University of Minho (UMinho) supports the ten principles of the UN Global Compact, regarding human rights, labor, environment and corruption. Beside our commitment to follow these principles, we will also make a clear statement of this engagement to our stakeholders.

The University of Minho also pledges to promote the ten principles of the UN Global Compact, and to report the results of these principles in the annual UMinho Sustainability Report.

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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Rector