



August 6, 2014

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

Dear Mr. Secretary-General:

I am pleased to confirm that the Municipality of Bayamón 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 also pledge to participate in and engage with the UN Global Compact in the following way(s): Implement and promote the ten principles of the UN Global Compact in the management and administration of the city or region:

1. Support businesses and other stakeholders in establishing or implementing sustainability initiatives that are transparent and beneficial to the city, region and/or greater community;
2. Have a dedicated sustainability plan or holistic city/regional plan that incorporates the ecological, economic, political, and cultural dimensions of the city or region's sustainability;
3. Acknowledge participation in the Global Compact publically and promote the initiative and the ten principles within the city's sphere of influence;
4. Engage in Global Compact Local Network activities;
5. Utilize assessment tools and methodologies developed by the Global Compact Cities Programme, and share knowledge and innovations developed with the use of these tools. This can take the form of dedicated publications or annual reporting;
6. Engage at the Leading level of the Global Compact Cities Programme; and/or
7. Engage at the Innovating level – undertaking a multi-year project to address a complex or seemingly intractable issue(s) within the city or region, which is supported by leaders across business, civil society and government.

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,

Ramón Luis Rivera
Mayor