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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 Ashoka Gemeinnützige GmbH supports the ten principles of the UN Global Compact with respect to human rights, labour, 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 by:

- Engaging with the Global Compact Network Austria respACT and supporting their objectives such as the enlargement of the network, awareness raising for the Global Compact and the 10 principles among companies and the public as well as creating engagement opportunities for participants.
- Engaging companies in Global Compact-related issues and offering us as potential partners to business on specific projects.

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 the progress within two years of joining the Global Compact and every two years thereafter according to the Global Compact COE policy.

Sincerely yours,

Georg Schön

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