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Commitment Letter

18th of March 2016.

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

Dear Mr. Secretary General,

I am pleased to confirm that University Club for UNESCO 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.

In February 2016. (from 24th to 26th) we have organized the first conference in Europe about 2030 SDG Agenda, "Sustainable Development Forum", with the topic, "Role of Education and Culture in Sustainable Development Agenda". We wanted to start the dialogue between key stakeholders from public, private and civil sector, to engage with youth and better explain them the purpose and the importance of this new document. The conference was held in the city of Belgrade, in the Administration Building. It was supported by the City of Belgrade, National Commission for UNESCO of the Republic of Serbia, UN Team in Serbia. The conference was opened by the Deputy Prime Minister, of the Government of Serbia Kori Udovički, Irena Vojáčková-Sollorano, UN Resident Coordinator & UNDP Resident Representative and Nikola Nikodijević, President of the Belgrade City Assembly. The keynote speaker was Sir Paul Judge, Alderman of City of London and key benefactor of Judge Business School, Cambridge University. We had 100 youth participants from 4 continents. The outcome of the workshops and the conference are two projects, related to SDGs and we will soon start to implement them.

We also pledge to participate in and engage with the UN Global Compact in the following ways:

- ◆ Educating youth through (lectures, workshops, games)
- ◆ Implementation of the goals through Global Compact in Serbia
- ◆ Organizing the conference "Sustainable Development Forum" each year to present the results and the outcomes of the procedure
- ◆ Organizing different activities in order for the youth to have better understanding of the Agenda 2030 (games, concerts, poetry, kid coloring, story time, role playing)
- ◆ Raising awareness about the Climate Change and Environment problems
- ◆ Providing information about 2030 Sustainable Development Agenda



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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,



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