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United Nations Global Compact is the world's largest global corporate responsibility and sustainability initiative. Initiated by the United Nations in 2000 and currently connects close to 10.000 companies and NGO's from 130 countries that are committed to aligning their operations and strategies with ten universally accepted principles in the areas of human rights, labor, the environment and anti-corruption.

The Slovenian chapter of the UN Global Compact was established on May, 24th 2007 on the initiative of Prof. Dr. Danica Purg, President of IEDC-Bled School of Management. Originally founded by 16 companies, which represent the biggest drivers of Slovene economy (Adria Mobil, Elektro Maribor, Elektronček, Esotech, Gorenje, HERMES Softlab, IEDC-Bled School of Management, MIP, Petrol, Perutnina Ptuj, Riko, Salonit Anhovo, Trimo Trebnje, Vibacom, and Wine Cellar "Goriška Brda"), UN Global Compact Slovenia now has 43 member-organizations.

The central goal of the UN Global Compact Slovenia is to **help Slovenian** companies realize strategic opportunities offered by sustainable and socially responsible practices, increasing, therefore, the overall competitiveness of Slovenian economy.

To realize this goal, the association cooperates with other Slovenian NGO's, organizes regular meetings, roundtables, conferences and individual meetings related to issues of environment, labor, human rights, and corruption, while it also offering consulting in the field of sustainable development.

UN Global Compact is important basis for all companies which by appointing strategic opportunities commit 10 universal principles from the field of human rights, labor standards, environment with transparency and anticorruption. As the biggest global cooperative initiative, the biggest

responsibility of UN Global Compact is to support the existing and new social business and markets.

Business, commerce and investments are three basic pillars for welfare and peace. There are however numerous fields and associations which are connected with serious dilemmas like corruption, income inequality and berries that inhibit innovative business. Responsible business praxis can however in many cases build and consolidate the trust and social capital and contribute the larger social development as well as developments of markets that follow with ten universally accepted principles of sustainable development.

UN Global Compact is based on voluntary base with two goals:

- to enlarge the respect of 10 universally principles on all business activities on the world.
- catalyze actions in support of broader UN goals.

To achieve those goals, UN Global compact offers to all members help and support by means of different mechanism like political dialogues, trainings, local networking and project cooperation.

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The ten principles of UN Global Compact

Human Rights

- <u>Principle 1</u>: Businesses should support and respect the protection of internationally proclaimed human rights; and
- <u>Principle 2</u>: make sure that they are not complicit in human rights abuses.

Labor Standards

- <u>Principle 3</u>: Businesses should uphold the freedom of association and the effective recognition of the right to collective bargaining;
- <u>Principle 4</u>: the elimination of all forms of forced and compulsory labor;
- Principle 5: the effective abolition of child labor; and
- <u>Principle 6</u>: the elimination of discrimination in respect of employment and occupation.

Environment

- <u>Principle 7</u>: Businesses should support a precautionary approach to environmental challenges;
- <u>Principle 8</u>: undertake initiatives to promote greater environmental responsibility; and
- <u>Principle 9</u>: encourage the development and diffusion of environmentally friendly technologies.

Anti-Corruption

• <u>Principle 10</u>: Businesses should work against corruption in all its forms, including extortion and bribery.

How to become a member?

As voluntary initiative UN Global Contact takes efforts for getting members in all fields of industry. To become a member of Global Compact follow the steps:

- Send a letter, signed by the CEO (approved by the board) to the Secretariat of United Nations and express support to the UNGC and its universal principles.
- Adjust the business to the point that UN Global Compact and its universal principles become part of the strategy, culture and daily basis business of the company/association.
- The company/association is represented by UN Global Compact and its principles by means of communication channels like public messages, speeches etc. The company may ask for the use of logo type of UNGC which can be placed on its websites, stationeries and other communication channels.
- The company/association in its yearly report or any other report (like COP) describes the cases of business processes which support UN Global Compact and its 10 universal principles.

UN Global Compact Slovenia will:

- support the companies in all his steps,
- take care for education on the field of exercises of UN Global Compact principles in praxis and,
- support companies by preparing COP and other PR tools.