



Global Compact Network UK

WHO WE ARE

We are part of the world's largest responsible business initiative, connecting UK companies and other organisations in a global movement dedicated to driving sustainable growth. We promote practical sustainability leadership, share knowledge across sectors, and actively shape the responsible business environment to create a world we want to live and do business in.

The UN Global Compact's universally recognised Principles, rooted in UN treaties, provide a robust foundation from which we lead UK business action on the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). We use our power to convene business and other organisations to find practical solutions to global challenges.

OUR MISSION IS TO TURN GLOBAL MOMENTUM ON SUSTAINABILITY INTO PRACTICAL LOCAL ACTION

OUR WORKSTREAMS

- Climate Action
- Global Goals
- Business & Human Rights
- Government Dialogues

ENGAGEMENT OPPORTUNITIES

- Webinars
 - Roundtables
 - Conferences
 - Peer-to-peer learning
 - Working Groups
 - Workshops
 - Newsletter
- *Over 80 Events Per Year**

TOP 3 REASONS WHY COMPANIES PARTICIPATE

80%

Increase **trust in the company** through a commitment to sustainability

59%

Universal nature of the principles

58%

Promotes **action on sustainability** within the company

MAKING GLOBAL GOALS LOCAL BUSINESS



642+
UK PARTICIPANTS

485+
BUSINESS

157+
NON-BUSINESS



BENEFITS OF JOINING THE UN GLOBAL COMPACT:

Generate Positive Social Impact

- The UN Global Compact will guide you in developing and implementing sustainability strategies to make a difference across four core areas – Human Rights; Labour; the Environment; and Anti-Corruption - and contribute to broader societal goals, such as the UN Sustainable Development Goals.
- Our well-established lines of communication with key UK Government departments help members to shape the responsible business environment.

Adopt a Robust Sustainability Framework

- Our 10 Principles provide a universally respected foundation for sustainable business. We support UK-based companies seeking to maximise the value of their engagement with the UN Global Compact.

Access Networking & Learning Opportunities

- We convene participants and leading practitioners from business, government, academia, and civil society to create opportunities for knowledge exchange across sectors. Our Working Groups enable deeper discussions into issues of special importance to Network members.
- We provide practical guidance and peer review for Communication on Progress, Gender Pay Gap Reports, and Modern Slavery Statements.
- Our monthly newsletter provides information on engagement opportunities with the UN Global Compact and other organisations actively promoting responsible business in the UK and globally. Network members may use this resource to publicise their relevant activities.

Meet Stakeholder Expectations

- Consumers, investors, employees, and regulators are demanding that business demonstrate their commitment to sustainability, and many recognise the UN Global Compact as the leading platform for achieving this.

SEE WHO IS INVOLVED IN THE UK

You can find our growing list of members at:

<https://www.unglobalcompact.org.uk/uk-network-members/>

OUR MEMBERS SAY

“The UN Global Compact Network UK provides constant support to help members implement the Ten Principles and accelerate action on the SDGs.”

Dr. Márcia Balisciano

Global Head of Corporate Responsibility, RELX

“Considering the social and environment impact of our investments in line with the UN Global Compact principles is the only robust way to deliver the long-term holistic returns for investors they deserve.”

Saker Nusseibeh, CEO

International Business of Federated Hermes

“The UN Global Compact Network UK provides a unique platform for collaboration across business sectors, civil society and Government to achieve the SDGs. Personally, I find it an inspiring community with a focus on learning and practical action – just what those doing the hard yards of integration need.”

David Schofield

Group Head of Corporate Responsibility, Aviva

“What the UN Global Compact does very well is showing the business case behind the SDGs and helping companies to embed them within their business processes.”

Rebecca Marmot

Chief Sustainability Officer, Unilever



The General Assembly ... recognises that the Global Compact Local Networks provide an avenue for diffusing “United Nations values and principles and facilitating partnerships with business on a broad scale.”

UN General Assembly Resolution 70/224

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