



Business for Peace



Private Sector and Partners PS&P Declaration

Private Sectors from the **SBEF** Sudanese Businessmen and Employers Federation and the **SSBU** South Sudan Business Union and the Global Compact Organization – local Network Sudan **GC LN**, pledge to work together and separately to fulfill the common goals observed in this Declaration, with witnesses of the International Community represented by Sir Mark Moody Stuart Vice Chairman of the United Nations Global Compact Board and Chairman of the Global Compact Foundation.

We, BUSINESS LEADERS OF SUDAN AND SOUTH SUDAN, REPRESENTATIVES
RECOGNIZE THAT:

In an interconnected world where the private sector, Governments and society have differentiated responsibilities but a shared interest in stability and prosperity, peace and development – business can be a powerful agent of change. Conducting responsible business operations in all areas of the world and taking action to advance peace is in everyone's interest, including business. Conflict and instability not only impact people and the environment; they also pose risk to all parts of the business sector. Responsible behavior requires proactive action to ensure business not only does no harm, but, where possible, contributes to development and assists society to overcome challenges to stability.

As business leaders, we welcome the recommendations outlined in the Guidance on Responsible Business in Conflict-Affected and High-Risk Areas. This voluntary guidance joins a range of tools and initiatives to support companies in developing policies and implementing responsible business practices aligned with the UN Global Compact Ten Principles in conflict-affected/high risk areas – with a view to advancing peace.

We recognize that special attention needs to be given when operating in high-risk areas to ensure that the rights of stakeholders and vulnerable groups are respected and supported.

Further, we believe that conflict-sensitive supply-chain management, responsible labour practices, combating corruption, responsible water management and caring for the climate all operate as foundational pillars of peace and stability. We are committed to play a constructive role in fostering peace, stability and development. Companies:

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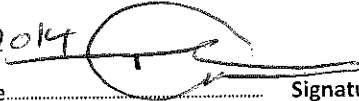


We, BUSINESS LEADERS OF SUDAN AND SOUTH SUDAN, REPRESENTATIVES:

Express our willingness to engage in learning, dialogue and collective action, to advance peace in the workplace, marketplace and local communities by:

- 1. Paying Heightened Attention to UN Global Compact Implementation in Conflict-Affected/ High-Risk Areas, and Implore the Continued efforts of international community and businesses in working towards achieving a lasting and sustainable peace in our countries.**
- 2. Taking Action to Advance Peace - Individually, as private sectors and amongst our business partners and associates and in collaboration with our respective governments and urge them to follow through in creating a sustainable peace**
- 3. Annually Communicating on Progress.**

We will support companies in implementing the Ten Principles when operating in high-risk or conflict-affected areas and, where possible, help to facilitate multi-stakeholder dialogue to enhance corporate engagement in priority areas. Together with other stakeholders, we are beginning a new stage in an ongoing journey. A journey that aims to uncover the most effective ways the private sector can contribute to peace and to scale-up action towards it.

We encourage all regional stakeholders and actors to join us on this journey, helping to achieve the foundational goal of humanity – peace for our region.

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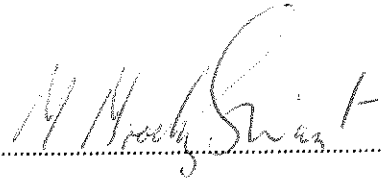
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Signature of Witness:

Sir Mark Moody Stuart, UNGC, 

Date 18/11/14