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GENERAL INFORMATION:

What is the UN Global Compact Leaders Week?
The UN Global Compact Leaders Week is the highest level opportunity for business to engage with world leaders, taking place alongside the greater activities of the United Nations General Assembly week. Consisting of several events from 23-26 September 2019, the UN Global Compact Leaders Week will serve as a platform for various stakeholders from business such as Chief Executives and corporate sustainability experts, as well as Government, the UN and civil society to come together and shape the global agenda as we work to achieve the Global Goals.

Where and when will the UN Global Compact Leaders Week take place?
Taking place during the UN’s most high-profile week of the year, the UN Global Compact Leaders Week will run from 23 September to 26 September 2019. The majority of events will be held at the United Nations Headquarters located at 46th Street and 1st Avenue, New York City.

What is the programme of the UN Global Compact Leaders Week?
There are several events taking place during the UN Global Compact Leaders Week.

- **Transformative Business Leadership for a 1.5°C Future** – 23 September, 9:00-12:30, UNHQ
- **Private Sector Forum** – 23 September, 13:00-15:00, UNHQ
- **Health is Everyone’s Business** – 23 September, 15:30-17:30, UNHQ
- **Climate Action Reception** – 23 September, 18:30-21:00, UNHQ
- **SDG Solutions Showcase Breakfast** – 25 September, 08:00-10:00, UNHQ
- **SDG Business Forum** – 25 September, 10:00-13:00, UNHQ
- **Leadership for the SDGs: Featuring the Young SDG Pioneers** – 25 September, time TBD, UNHQ
- **Trailblazing Women’s Reception** – 25 September, 18:00-20:00, location TBD
- **UN Global Compact CEO Roundtable on Corporate SDG Finance and Investment** – 26 September, 7:30-9:00, UNHQ
- **Sustainable Stock Exchange 10th Anniversary** – 26 September, 12:30-16:00, NY Stock Exchange

EVENT DESCRIPTIONS:

**Transformative Business Leadership for a 1.5°C Future**
As the future of our planet hinges on today’s response to climate threat, evidence suggests that business leadership will be one of the most important factors in achieving the United Nations climate agenda and ultimately, in delivering the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). In this time of great uncertainty, what does it take to be a leading company in the fight against climate change? As trends in the SDGs continue to inform and influence business strategy, how have CEO attitudes towards sustainability shifted in recent years?
Taking place in the context of the Secretary-General’s Climate Action Summit and as the precursor to both the Private Sector Forum and the Executive Lunch, this event allows executives and sustainability experts another opportunity to:

- take a deep dive into practical business solutions for climate action,
- hear directly from the CEOs of leading global companies who have committed to working towards the Global Goals to enhance business strategy,
- network with fellow business leaders and
- actively participate in the conversation.

The morning programme will begin with a networking breakfast followed by three inter-related panel discussions shaped around exploring motivations, activities and shifts in corporate culture that are influencing the achievement of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development. The panels will also feature key insights from the UN Global Compact-Accenture CEO Study and will highlight the importance and impact of the recently launched Business Ambition for 1.5°C campaign.

**Private Sector Forum**

Hosted annually by the United Nations Global Compact and partners, the Private Sector Forum is a high-level networking opportunity for business and Government to foster private-public partnerships towards the achievement of the 2030 Agenda. As the official high-level luncheon of the UN Secretary-General’s Climate Action Summit, the 2019 Private Sector Forum will be an opportunity for the world’s leading decision-makers to explore innovative ways of increasing climate action to meet the challenges ahead.

Convening 350 Chief Executive Officers, Heads of State and Government, leaders of UN Agencies, Funds and Programmes and young entrepreneurs, the Forum will emphasize the importance of ambitious climate action by supporting the scaling of mitigation and adaptation policies to enable a just transition of our global economy to a net-zero future by 2050. By encouraging cross-sector and inter-generational dialogue, the Forum will facilitate the sharing of groundbreaking climate-related commitments, public policy measures, and recognize the early joiners of the Business Ambition for 1.5°C Campaign. Companies who sign the pledge before 1 September 2019 will be recognized at the Forum. To find out more about the initiative, please click here.

**Health is Everyone’s Business Workshop**

Connecting the high-level priorities of the 74th United Nations General Assembly, and taking place on the sidelines of the UN High-Level Meeting on Universal Health Coverage, Health is Everyone’s Business will bring business together to demonstrate the importance of an integrated approach towards health.

Bringing corporate leaders together to create a call-to-action, this event will highlight the complex nature of healthcare, and explore ways for the private sector to cooperate and drive systemic transformation in the pursuit of a healthier future for all.
By examining the intersection between Universal Health Coverage, Climate Action and the realization of the 2030 Agenda, the event will emphasize best practices and feature panel discussions on the relationship between personal and environmental health, in hopes of creating tipping points towards healthier people and a healthier planet.

Climate Action Reception

Following the conclusion of UN Secretary-General Antonio Guterres’ Climate Action Summit, the UN Global Compact will host an evening reception in the Delegates Dining Room for 500 guests, including UN officials, world leaders, influential business executives, sustainability executives, NGOs and young entrepreneurs. Designed to give guests the opportunity to reflect on the lasting impact of the day and network, the reception will inspire even greater enthusiasm for climate action in the context of sustainable development.

The reception’s theme will focus on three Sustainable Development Goals which are critical for combating climate change: Life on Land, Life Below Water as well as Responsible Consumption and Production. The importance of these SDGs will be featured in various ways for the evening, including through interactive displays, activities and food and beverage choices. To request an invitation to the Climate Action Reception, please fill out the form here.

SDG Solutions Showcase Breakfast

Recognizing strong leadership in support of the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), the SDG Innovation Showcase Breakfast will provide a platform for industry leaders to share unique solutions and products being developed to advance the 2030 Agenda. Hosted by the UN Global Compact and the International Chamber of Commerce, this buffet style breakfast will feature creative exhibits and tables from business and civil society dedicated to groundbreaking ideas, and the sharing of innovative solutions to tackle the pressing challenges related to the SDGs.

SDG Business Forum

Now in its 4th year, the SDG Business Forum is a landmark event showcasing business leaders who have worked towards supporting the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) and the 2030 Agenda. Hosted by the United Nations Global Compact, International Chamber of Commerce and UN DESA, this event will bring together leaders from business, Government, the UN and civil society to explore how the private sector can work to create partnerships for the SDGs. It will also connect the high level priorities of the 74th General Assembly: climate change, sustainable financing, and universal health coverage. Panel discussions at this year’s Forum will explore the topics of sustainable financing for 2030, the future of business, and scaling ambition. To view the full schedule, please click here.

Leadership for the SDGs: Featuring the Young SDG Pioneers

Celebrating the work of the 2019 SDG Young Pioneers, this event will recognize a group of exceptional young people who have demonstrated ambitious and innovative work towards advancing the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). Showcasing the stories and contributions of young
professionals under 35 from varying sectors, the reception will encourage intergenerational dialogue to inspire people of all ages to take greater action towards achieving the 2030 Agenda.

**Trailblazing Women’s Reception**
Recognizing the powerful work being done by women to advance sustainable development and the 2030 Agenda, this event will celebrate the trailblazing women of our world who are championing the Sustainable Development Goals. Featuring business leaders, disruptors and celebrity entrepreneurs, the event will include testimonials on the power of gender equality work, interactive displays from women entrepreneurs, leading NGOs and corporate sponsors, as well as a Shark Tank-style pitch session. The United Nations Global Compact’s CEO Lise Kingo will also be announcing the official launch of the UN Global Compact’s Gender Equality GII.

**High-Level CEO Roundtable on Corporate SDG Finance and Investment**
The CEO Roundtable on Corporate SDG Finance and Investment will bring together a select and diverse group of global business leaders to take stock of progress towards the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). It will provide an opportunity for top executives to discuss critical global priorities, explore partnership opportunities, and reach consensus on the path forward. The event will focus on the need for business to amplify efforts to advance human rights and address inequalities, particularly as it relates to sustainable financing for the SDGs.

The Roundtable will explore how investors, financial institutions and corporations can shape the SDG financing agenda through capital market activities and corporate strategies. Key topics to be discussed include the role of the private sector in mainstreaming sustainable investments, the role of governments in providing corporations and investors their strategic plans for development models in emerging markets and the role of CFOs and the greater financial community in supporting the UN Secretary-General’s GISP Alliance.

**Sustainable Stock Exchange 10th year Anniversary**
The Sustainable Stock Exchange (SSE) initiative, a UN Partnership Programme organized by the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD), the United Nations Global Compact, United Nations Environment Programme Finance Initiative (UNEP FI) and the Principles for Responsible Investment (PRI), has become the premier platform for finance in support of the Sustainable Development Goals. Providing a platform for collaboration between stock exchanges, capital market regulators, investors, issuers and financial service providers, it has pioneered a new path forward for sustainable financing.

To mark the 10th anniversary since the SSE was initiated, partners are invited to join in commemorating the progress of sustainable stock exchanges and charting a path for the next 10 years. Hosted by the UN Global Compact and its sister initiative PRI, this event will bring together representatives from the stock exchange, business, civil society and UN at the New York Stock Exchange to celebrate. To view the full programme, please click [here](#).
PARTICIPATION:

What are the criteria for participation in the UN Global Compact Leaders Week?
The UN Global Compact Leaders Week events are by invitation only and are open to select representatives from business, civil society, academia, Governments and the UN. Invitations will be sent directly to representatives from actively engaged companies and organizations with long-standing working relationships with the UN Global Compact.

We regret that we are unable to accommodate invitation requests from individuals who do not match the participant criteria outlined above. For more questions about the participation criteria, please contact leadersweek@unglobalcompact.org

What are the costs involved with participating in the UN Global Compact Leaders Week?
The registration rates for the UN Global Compact Leaders Summit are distinguished by participant category and are listed below.
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The costs above cover the following events: Business Leadership for 1.5, Private Sector Forum (for those who are eligible) or viewing room and Climate Action Reception. The cost remains the same whether you attend one or all events. There are no prorated fees given. All other events have a separate fee structure. Please contact leadersweek@unglobalcompact.org for more information on events not included in this chart.

All rates published are in USD. All payments per individual must be made in USD and received prior to the event. We kindly request that your organization cover any transfer fees charged by your financial institution.

I am representing a Local Network. How can I participate in the UN Global Compact’s Leaders Week?

Representatives from select Global Compact Local Networks are invited to attend several of the events taking place during Leaders Week. A full schedule of the week’s events will soon be made available here. Additionally to help you plan your visit, the UN Global Compact’s Business Guide to UNGA, available here, will serve as a calendar of events relevant to the private sector happening during the week at the UN. Please contact your Global Operations manager for more information.
REGISTRATION:

Do all participants need to register in advance of the UN Global Compact Leaders Week?
Yes, all participants must register and submit payment (if applicable) in full via the online registration system in order to receive access to the UN Headquarters during UN General Assembly Week. Photo ID will be required upon arrival and must match the information contained within your online registration profile. Details and instructions for accessing the registration system can be found in your official invitation letter. Please be advised that emails and/or letters to the UN Global Compact cannot be processed and will not be considered a substitute for online registration. Please email leadersweek@unglobalcompact.org for more information.

How do I know if my registration is confirmed for the UN Global Compact Leaders Week?
Registrants will receive an automatic confirmation email once registration is finalized. For participants whose registration requires a fee, registration will be confirmed only after payment has been received. 

Individuals who complete registration, and click on invoice but do not submit payment, will receive an additional email notifying them of their pending payment status, including instructions on how to submit payment to finalize registration. Pay must be submitted within 30 business days of completing your registration. For assistance, please contact leadersweek@unglobalcompact.org.

Please note that registration and payment is required to attend the UN Global Compact Leaders Week. Failure to complete payment within 30 days will result in an automatic cancellation of your registration. As the events have capacity limitations, we recommend that all attendees complete their registration and payment as early as possible.

I started but did not complete my registration. Can I log back in and complete it at a later date?
Yes. You may log back in by clicking here and using the email addresses and reference number received in the automatic reminder email from the registration system. Please note that registration will officially close on 9 September 2019. Please email leadersweek@unglobalcompact.org if you encounter any registration issues.

What is the cancellation policy for the UN Global Compact Leaders Summit?
Cancellation requests must be submitted to leadersweek@unglobalcompact.org on or before 23 August. A 10% administrative fee will be subtracted from the refund and will be issued in the same manner as the original payment within 30 days of a refund request submission. Refunds cannot be processed after 23 August 2019.

Liability:
In the case of Government intervention or regulation, armed conflict, strikes or any other circumstances that make it inadvisable or impossible for the United Nations Global Compact Leaders Week to take place at the time and location announced, the participant shall waive any claim for damage or compensation except the amount paid for registration after the deduction of actual expenses incurred with Leaders Week, and there shall be no future liability for either party.
How can I find out who attended the UN Global Compact Leaders Summit?
The full attendee list will be published on the event website here in the weeks following the UN Global Compact Leaders Week.

**COMMUNICATIONS:**

How can I ensure that I receive all communications related to the UN Global Compact Leaders Week?
Please note that the UN Global Compact is not responsible for the failed delivery of registration communications or misdirection of registration communications to spam. Kindly mark UN Global Compact email contacts as ‘safe senders’ to reduce the likelihood that the stream of communications related to the UN Global Compact Leaders Week is disrupted.

How can I get in contact with UN Global Compact’s Media Team?
For all media inquiries, please contact media@unglobalcompact.org

What will be the language of the UN Global Compact Leaders Week?
The UN Global Compact encourages informal dialogue in languages throughout the event; however, due to audio-visual constraints, official messages given in the programme segments of the UN Global Compact Leaders Week will be in English.

**ATTENDANCE:**

Can an interpreter accompany me to the event?
Yes, a registration fee of USD$ 400 will apply to all interpreters. Please coordinate with the Strategic Events Team by emailing leadersweek@unglobalcompact.org.

How many representatives from my company may attend the UN Global Compact Leaders Week?
Due to capacity limitations of UN Headquarters, and to be able to accommodate representatives from Government, UN and civil society, each event taking place during Leaders Week will only be able to accommodate a maximum of two representatives per company, including the highest-level representative in the Private Sector Forum. For an opportunity to invite additional representatives, we encourage you to review our Sponsorship Packages.

What happens if our top executive is unable to attend the UN Global Compact Leaders Week?
Nominations for C-Suite replacements will be accepted, with the exception of the Private Sector Forum where absolutely no exceptions will be granted. Please coordinate CEO replacements with the UN Global Compact by emailing leadersweek@unglobalcompact.org.

Can I attend the UN Global Compact Leaders Week as a media representative?
All media representatives must be accredited through MALU. Representatives interested in attending the UN Global Compact Leaders Summit should email media@unglobalcompact.org to learn more.

Are there speaking opportunities at the UN Global Compact Leaders Week?
The UN Global Compact Leaders Week is designed to help participants communicate ideas and opportunities related to the Global Goals and will be a highly interactive event. As a result, there are a limited number of formal speaking opportunities at the UN Global Compact Leaders Week.
Candidates for speaking roles will be contacted directly by the event organizers, and no nominations will be accepted.

I will be coming from outside the United States. Can the UN Global Compact assist me with the visa process?
For those participants who require a visa to attend the UN Global Compact Leaders Week, the UN Global Compact will assist with the process by providing a letter of support after your registration and payment is processed. Please note that the ultimate responsibility for securing the appropriate visa lies with each participant. The UN Global Compact is not responsible for the successful or unsuccessful procurement of visas by international participants.

During online registration for the UN Global Compact Leaders Week, participants may indicate that they require a visa to travel to the United States. Participants who complete registration and pay in full will then receive a letter of support from the UN Global Compact via email, which can then be submitted along with other documentation when applying for a visa. Participants should refer to their local consulate for detailed information.

Can the UN Global Compact assist with the cost of my trip to New York?
The UN Global Compact relies on registration fees and sponsorship from participants in order to cover the cost of the event. Unfortunately, there is no available budget to fund participant expenses. All transportation and lodging expenses are the responsibility of each participant.

Are there sponsorship opportunities for the UN Global Compact Leaders Summit?
Yes. There are a limited number of exclusive sponsorship opportunities available for the UN Global Compact Leaders Week. The sponsorship prospectus for the week can be viewed here. Please contact Courtney McNeese (mcneese@unglobalcompact.org) for more information.

How can I make a hotel reservation?
Given the large number of Government delegations present in New York during General Assembly week, organizers cannot guarantee hotel accommodations or transportation for participants. Accordingly, UN Global Compact Leaders Week participants are kindly asked to make their own travel and accommodation arrangements as soon as possible.

There are no specific hotels or room blocks for the UN Global Compact Leaders Week. However, the following hotels are close to the United Nations Headquarters in Midtown Manhattan.

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