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Call-to-Action from Business to Governments on the 20th anniversary of the United Nations Convention against Corruption

The Call-to-Action from Business to Governments on the 20th Anniversary of the United Nations Convention against Corruption was developed during the 2023 United Nations Global Compact Leaders Summit in New York. It was signed by more than 500 companies from 91 countries around the world.

The Call-to-Action urges Governments to underscore anti-corruption and good governance as fundamental pillars of a sustainable and inclusive global economy, embracing them as tenets of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development.

It respectfully calls on Governments to:

Effectively implement the tenets of the United Nations Convention against Corruption to level the playing field, taking into account the diversity of contexts and the challenges faced by the business community worldwide. On that basis, strengthen policies, legal frameworks and mechanisms to incentivize business integrity in companies along the supply chain and to tackle impunity by detecting and sanctioning wrongdoing.

Increase the use of corporate sustainability criteria to advance SDG-focused business in Government decision-making processes, especially for investments and public procurement. In public-private interactions, strive for greater transparency, including in the management of conflicts of interest and through the prevention of undue influence.

Foster a Collective Action approach to strengthen governance and anti-corruption by means of public-private partnerships, dialogue and the engagement of all relevant actors to generate inclusive and innovative solutions for the broader benefit of people and the planet.

Leverage information and communication technology (ICT) along with artificial intelligence to manage corruption risks and make evidence-based decisions while strengthening oversight and transparency. To boost accountability, encourage the use of ICT to monitor, evaluate and report governance and anti-corruption efforts undertaken by the public and private sectors.

Promote the principles of ethical leadership in education by instilling skills that nurture the minds of future business leaders, ensuring their commitment to standards of fairness and integrity in the workplace of tomorrow.
