COMMUNICATION ON ENGAGEMENT

Statement by the Community of Vigo di Fassa

The Community of Vigo di Fassa received the invitation to compile a relevant Communication On engagement, and started drafting of the present COE, complying with the relevant GC webinar (Video tutorial and with the COE Policy guidelines).

The Community of Vigo di Fassa has agreed to provide every two years the Communication on engagement “expressing continued support for the Global Compact and renewing the participant's ongoing commitment to the initiative and its principles” committing the Organization to provide to its Members relevant information on the various modalities of support to the Global Compact in specific areas.

The Community established to report on the following two areas with a measurement of results, linked together: Internalize the Global Compact principles and Join and/or propose partnership projects. The fruitful experience of Vigo di Fassa during these past two years in the UNGC brought to a relevant sensitization of the Community itself on the major issues of the 10 Principles with special regard to Human Rights (Principles 1 and 2) and their internalization.

To emphasize the important role played by linguistic minorities (Vigo di Fassa belongs to the “Ladin Language” Linguistic Minority, the Community of Vigo di Fassa launched the specific Joint partnership project called “the Peace Bell of Ladin and Ethnic Minorities a Peace Bell, realized by renown Italian molding company, as unitary symbol to emphasize the respect of Human Rights amongst National and Linguistic Minorities.
Qualitative Measurement of Outcomes

-The Peace Bell initiative augmented in raising general consensus at a more widespread level and was renamed as "The Peace Bell of National and Linguistic Minorities": many linguistic and National Communities joined hands to the initiative who was presented in Official Ceremony to the Quirinal and to Pope Francis, at the Vatican.

The initiative also received the High Patronage of the OSCE High Commissioner for National Minorities, who expressed his endorsement to the initiative by emphasizing that "In an era when our societies tend to evolve more and more rapidly, diversity must be valued as source of cultural enrichment for our societies. This requires an even more effective action for the preservation of diversity and for guaranteeing efficiency of the integration policies. The right balance between minority protection and the continuous development of the integration process is the best assurance of stability, security and Peace"...and brings tolerance and dialogue amongst people and among our own communities, as fundamental element for pacific coexistence and for social and economic development.

Quantitative measurement of results:
A growing number of linguistic and National minorities are now joining hands to the Peace Bell initiative and in the same occasion are informed on the importance of internalizing the best practices and the universal 10 Principles set up by the UNGC, not only in the area of Human Rights but also in the areas of Environment (Principles 7, 8 and 9) and Anti-Corruption (Principle 10) as well as in support of the 17 SDGs (Sustainable Development Goals) that the Community of Vigo di Fassa is proud to sustain with its committed efforts.

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