



Meeting Supporter:



**Regional Meeting for GC Focal Points in Europe
29 May 2008, Athens
- Agenda -**

Meeting Venue: Divani Caravel Hotel, Athens – Greece.

Wednesday May 28th

Side Event:

8.00pm Launch of the Global Compact Network in Greece

Meeting participants are cordially invited to attend a dinner to mark the official launch of the Global Compact Network in Greece.

Thursday May 29th

08.00-09.00	Opening session*: Soft-power of governments This session will focus on the engagement of government at the local level, for example in policy dialogues etc, and other non-legislative options to promote CSR <i>Session coordinator:</i> Ms. Alessia Sabbatino, GC Network Italy
09.00-11.00	Climate Change* The objective of the session is to build the capacity of Network Focal Points to engage companies in a national public policy dialogue on climate issues in order to further the national position within the context of the global debate. <i>Session coordinator:</i> Dr. Cornelis van der Lugt, United Nations Environment Programme
<i>11.00-11.30</i>	<i>Coffee break and networking</i>
11.30-13.00	Communication on Progress* Networks will review and discuss the various models currently used to engage in the COP process. Participants will also be invited to discuss how to promote the COP as a public accountability measure and the value this could bring to the Network. <i>Session coordinator/s:</i> Ms. Michelle Wolfe, GC Network UK
<i>13.00-14.00</i>	<i>Lunch and networking</i>
14.00-14.30	Update and overview of GC Networks in Western Europe Overview of GC Networks in Western Europe and update on overall GC strategy and activities for 2008, activities in the pipeline and any recently developed tools, resources and/or engagement mechanisms to assist and promote implementation. <i>Session coordinator:</i> Mr. Soren Petersen, Global Compact Office
14.30-16.00	Unique Selling Points of GC Networks Network Focal Points will discuss how GC Networks can add value to participants locally, how to tackle common challenges and opportunities for collaboration. <i>Session coordinator:</i> Ms. Constanze Helmchen, GC Network Germany
<i>16.00-16.30</i>	<i>Coffee break and networking</i>
16.30-18.00	Responsible supply chain management Focal Points will exchange experiences on supply chain related activities and brainstorm on potentially organizing a European learning forum on managing value chains for development. <i>Session organizer:</i> Mr. Casper Sonesson, United Nations Development Programme
18.00-18.30	Wrap up and next steps <i>Session coordinator:</i> Global Compact Office

* The Opening, Climate Change and COP session will be a combined session of Eastern and Western European Focal Points. After lunch the meeting will continue with Focal Points from Western Europe only.