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**Key Action Items for Local Networks**

**Private Sector Engagement in the Post-2015 Development Agenda Consultations**

Please join a webinar on **26 February 2013** from 9:00 – 10:00 AM EST for a discussion about the experiences and lessons learnt on how the UN engages the private sector in consulting the future of the post-2015 development agenda. Heidi Huusko from the UNGC and Jose Dallo from the post-2015 UNDG project will present the current plans and ongoing global initiatives that engage the private sector in the future agenda consultation. Colleagues from UNDP Egypt and the Global Compact Network Egypt will share experiences from discussing issues of common interest in the post-2015 context with the Egyptian businesses. Click [here](http://unglobalcompact.org/Issues/partnerships/post_2015_development_agenda.html) for the webinar invitation.

To register, click [here](http://unglobalcompact.org/Issues/partnerships/post_2015_development_agenda.html). Places are limited.

**Local Networks Post-2015 Development Agenda Consultations**

As the results of the surveys of the local networks consultations are being received, the GCO would like to encourage local networks who have not done so yet to engage with business participants in their networks in order to feed the input to the SG’s report and also to the Global Compact Leaders’ Summit. The deadline for submitting the results of the local consultations has been extended till **30 March 2013**.


**Local Networks Logo Policy Consultation**

Some Local Networks have requested the use of a specialized logo for their members to indicate
participation and support at the local level. If you are interested, please indicate your preference from the following options – “We Support Local Network [Country]” or “Member Local Network [Country]” – or submit your own proposal, to media@unglobalcompact.org by 15 March 2013.

An updated logo policy is under development by the Global Compact Office, and will be provided with the new logo following the consultation period.

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**Engagement Opportunities for Local Networks**

**Call for Comment - Global Compact Business Guide to UNDRIP and Indigenous Peoples' Rights**

We are pleased to announce that on International Human Rights Day, we released an [Exposure Draft of a Business Guide to the UN Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples (UNDRIP)](undrip@unglobalcompact.org) for public comment and consultation. By explaining UNDRIP for business audiences, this Guide aims to help businesses meet the corporate responsibility to respect indigenous peoples’ rights and identify opportunities to support these rights.

Comments can be sent to undrip@unglobalcompact.org through 1 June 2013. Additionally, we welcome you to circulate the Exposure Draft with your networks’ participants.

For further background information on the project, please click [here](#).

As another way to contribute input, interested networks are invited to participate in one of the upcoming consultation webinars. Although each webinar is regionally focused, feel free to attend any of the following:

- **Register for Asia-Pacific:** 27 February, 3:00 GMT
- **Register for Americas:** 9 April, 16:00 GMT
- **Register for Americas:** 17 April, 16:00 GMT (in Spanish)
- **Register for Europe, Middle East, Africa:** 30 April, 13:00 GMT

The Exposure Draft of a Business Guide to the UN Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples (UNDRIP) is also available in [Español](#), [Français](#) and [Русский](#).

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**Resources for Networks**

**Recorded Webinar: 2013 Updates to the GC Advanced Level for Local Networks**

The [recording](#) of this webinar targeted exclusively for local networks is now available for those who could not attend. The webinar was held on 29 January 2013, it contains a preview of the refinements...
to the GC Advanced level of COPs before they were released to business participants in February.

**General Information**

**A coalition of investors invite companies to consider joining the UN Global Compact**

Investors are increasingly incorporating environmental, social and governance (ESG) factors into their investment decisions and ownership practices. As a part of this movement, a coalition of 34 institutional investors who manage approximately US$3.5 trillion in assets are set to lead an outreach initiative to invite 2,097 companies globally to join the United Nations Global Compact. The 2,097 companies were selected from the FTSE all world index, and are spread out across 44 countries.

You are receiving this newsletter as a designated Contact Point for your Local Network. If you would like to contact any Global Compact staff with comments about this newsletter, please click [here](#).