United Nations Global Compact

The Ten Principles

The Principles of the Global Compact are based on a universal consensus and are derived from ...

- The Universal Declaration of Human Rights
- The International Labour Organisation's Declaration on Fundamental Principles and Rights at Work
- The Rio Declaration on Environment and Development ...
- The United Nations Convention Against Corruption

Human Rights

Principle 1: Businesses should support and respect, within their sphere of influence, the protection of internationally proclaimed human rights; and...

Principle 2: make sure that they are not complicit in human rights abuses.

Labour Standards

Principle 3: Businesses should uphold the freedom of association and the effective recognition of the right to collective bargaining;

Principle 4: the elimination of all forms of forced and compulsory labour;

Principle 5: the effective abolition of child labour; and

Principle 6: the elimination of discrimination in respect of employment and occupation.

Environmental Protection

Principle 7: Businesses should support a precautionary approach to environmental challenges,

Principle 8: undertake initiatives to promote greater environmental responsibility; and

Principle 9: encourage the development and diffusion of environmentally friendly technologies.

Fighting Corruption

Principle 10: Businesses should work against corruption in all its forms, including extortion and bribery.