

29 March 2010

Excellency,

It is with great pleasure that I invite you as a speaker at the United Nations Global Compact Leaders Summit 2010, to be held on 24 and 25 June 2010 in New York. The historic Summit will bring together global chief executives with leaders from civil society, Governments and the United Nations to elevate the role of responsible business in bringing about the needed transformation to a more sustainable and inclusive global economy. With over 1,000 global leaders in attendance, this triennial Summit will be the most important UN-business event ever held.

Marking the Global Compact's tenth anniversary, the Summit will highlight milestones, champions and best practices that have helped advance the corporate responsibility agenda and contributed to United Nations goals. A key focus of the Summit will be promoting innovative United Nations and business engagement and increasing collaboration towards the achievement of the Millennium Development Goals.

Given your global leadership in advocating greater market sustainability following the global financial crisis, I would be delighted if you agreed to address the Summit's opening session in the morning of 24 June 2010 or the closing session on 25 June 2010. Your participation would help stress the synergies between public policy and private sector engagement in realizing our vision of a more inclusive global market.

I would also like to use this opportunity to express my sincere appreciation for your support in introducing and launching the Global Compact in Tanzania this year. The active engagement of African business in support of the United Nations mission and vision is critical to the initiative's success.

His Excellency
Mr. Jakaya Mrisho Kikwete
President of the United Republic
of Tanzania
Dar-es-Salaam

I hope you will be able to join me here in New York in June and look forward to hearing from you.

Please accept, Excellency, the assurances of my highest consideration.

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Ki-moon Ban". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Ki" and last name "Ban" being more prominent, and "moon" written in smaller script between them. A vertical line extends downwards from the end of the signature.

BAN Ki-moon