

**Note to the Secretary-General  
(through Ms. Amina J. Mohammed)**

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**UN Private Sector Forum, DDR, 26 September, 1:00-3:00 PM**

1. I am pleased to report that preparations for this year's United Nations Private Sector Forum are proceeding very well.
2. The UN Global Compact is working closely with a number of organizing partners to plan this year's event, including: the UN Foundation, UNV, UN Women, UNOPS, UNODC, UNICEF, and the Office of the Special Adviser on Post-2015 Development Planning. A number of other organizations are supporting the event, including: WEF, WBCSD, and GRI. A number of outstanding global leaders from both public and private sectors have already expressed interest in participating, including Chancellor Angela Merkel.
3. The UN Private Sector Forum is now an integral part of the General Assembly and thus constitutes a genuine institutional innovation under your leadership. Starting in 2008, this event has brought the voice of the private sector to critical intergovernmental negotiations, a development welcomed by Member States. This has had an enormous impact mobilizing private sector action in support of key United Nations issues and goals. Last year, a record number of CEOs announced new commitments to action on climate change, putting corporate support for carbon pricing on the global agenda.
4. We anticipate that this year's Forum will generate an historic number of new partnerships and business commitments to support implementation of the Sustainable Development Goals. Impressive examples of business commitments showcased at the Forum will be a catalyst for further private sector action and will build momentum to advance the Post-2015 Development Agenda for years to come.
5. We look forward to your participation as Chair of the Private Sector Forum and firmly count on your presence.



  
Georg Kell  
4 August 2015

cc: The Deputy Secretary-General

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