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Vontobel joins the United Nations Global Compact

This step underscores Vontobel's commitment to corporate responsibility and sustainability, which are firmly enshrined in Vontobel's corporate culture.

Vontobel joined the global and the Swiss network of United Nations (UN) Global Compact – a strategic initiative for companies that pledge to align their operations and strategies with ten universal principles in the areas of human rights, labour, environment and anti-corruption. With around 10,000 corporate members from over 145 countries, the UN Global Compact is the largest global initiative for socially responsible companies and other stakeholders.

Vontobel has a long tradition of corporate responsibility and sustainability. Since the 1990s, Vontobel has continuously expanded its sustainable investing activities and is seeking to play a leading role in this area. At the end of 2016, Vontobel had around CHF 11 billion of sustainably invested assets under management.

"At Vontobel, we are convinced that we can shape our own future. This is why we combine successful entrepreneurship with responsibility and create new perspectives. By joining the UN Global Compact, our company is helping – within our own sphere of influence – to promote key sustainability principles within the world," stated Zeno Staub, CEO of Vontobel.

Vontobel has been a signatory to the UN Principles for Responsible Investment (PRI) since 2010 and achieved an above-average score in the PRI reporting 2016. Vontobel is also a signatory investor of the CDP (Carbon Disclosure Project) and is a CDP reporting company. In addition, Vontobel is an active member of the ICRC Corporate Support Group.

Further information on Corporate Responsibility at Vontobel

UN Global Compact

The United Nations Global Compact is a sustainability initiative that was launched by the United Nations General Assembly in 2000. The network is headquartered in New York and has around 10,000 corporate members. Its aim is to raise awareness of corporate social responsibility (CSR) among companies, including through the ten principles of the UN Global Compact and the sustainability goals defined as part of the UN's 2030 Agenda. https://www.unqlobalcompact.org/

The initiative also has almost 90 local networks worldwide. The Swiss network was established in 2006. A number of leading Swiss companies, SMEs and private organizations are members of the Global Compact Network Switzerland.

It supports companies in their sustainability efforts and provides them with the necessary tools. It organizes working groups and holds high-level conferences that attract participants from government bodies, society, the economy and the world of academia. At the same time, the Global Compact Network Switzerland serves as a link to the UN Global Compact headquarters in New York.

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