

Statement of the UN Global Compact and the German Global Compact Network concerning Volkswagen AG

The UN Global Compact and the Global Compact Network Germany are concerned about the recent revelations concerning manipulation of emissions data by Volkswagen AG. The company is a participant of the initiative and the admission by the company runs counter to the environmental and governance dimensions of the sustainability commitments the company has made.

The UN Global Compact provides integrity measures (see: [integrity measures](#)) that include amongst others a dialogue facilitation procedure, which has been invoked in this matter. The dialogue has been initiated with the company around how its plans to remedy the situation, to ensure that such incidents do not reoccur and to decide upon the future participation of the company in the UN Global Compact. The UN Global Compact and the Global Compact Network Germany want to support the company in its efforts to recommit to the principles and the spirit of the initiative within a given timeframe while at the same time underlining the importance of adherence to its principles and integrity to signatories, stakeholders and the public.

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