



The CEO Water Mandate

Summary of Steering Committee Conference Call: February 6, 2019

Present: N. Barak (Netafim); M. Weick (Dow Chemical Company); P. Bjornsen (UNEP-DHI); C. Pereira (UNDP/UNGC Network Brazil); N. Ofosu-Amah (TNC); T. Jones (Teck Resources); Michael Alexander (Diageo); J. Morrison (Mandate Secretariat); M. Ha (Mandate Secretariat); R. Hamilton (Mandate Secretariat); L. Karbassi (UNGC)

Follow-up bilateral: E. Korosi (BHP)

Agenda item	
<p>1. Welcome and Agenda Review</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ L. Karbassi welcomed everyone to the meeting ▪ A number of documents were shared prior to the call and included: 2018 Appraisal, CEO Water Mandate Annual Report from 2018, Overview of Action Platform Activities for 2019, and an overview of the Mandate's Planned Stockholm Activities <p>2. UN Global Compact 2019 Overview</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • L. Karbassi provided an update on the UN Global Compact's strategic priorities for 2019, including the introduction of three major impact areas of focus for the UN Global Compact: SDG Implementation, Climate Action, and Gender. • The UN Global Compact's programmatic activities including its Action Platforms and Academy will orient around showing progress against these three areas in particular. • The UN Global Compact will also continue to implement its business model introduced in 2018 as well as leverage greater coherence across its major functions including greater streamlining across its local networks, marketing, and programmatic teams. • The UNGC has a busy year ahead including holding meetings during the High Level Political Forum in July, a slate of meetings during the UN General Assembly including for the UN Secretary General's Climate Summit and SDG Business Forum, and local network activities. <p>Steering Committee (SC) members acknowledged this orientation.</p> <p>3. Review of the CEO Water Mandate's Work in 2018</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ J. Morrison and R. Hamilton provided an overview of the Mandate's work in 2018 highlighting an appraisal undertaken at the end of 2018 	

to provide input into planning for 2019. In particular, the appraisal highlighted the successful meetings held during World Water Week and a variety of tools and work being undertaken by the Mandate including the launch of work that looks to build towards a Water Protocol, local implementation activities, as well as online tools and resources.

- J. Morrison highlighted that during the last full Action Platform members meeting, there was a request for the Mandate to develop a trends analysis related to water in the space as well as a request for more transparency in the budget allocation for the Mandate's work.

Steering Committee members expressed support for the development of a trends analysis and also applauded the Mandate for responding to calls for transparency in budget allocations for the Mandate's work as well as for undertaking an appraisal of its activities in 2018. SC members also highlighted that they would be interested in providing input into the trends analysis and that it would be interesting to tie the work of the Mandate to broader trends happening in the UN system particularly related to implementation of SDG6.

4. Program of Work for 2019

- J. Morrison provided an overview of the Mandate's core activities and priorities for 2019 highlighting that the programmatic work of the Mandate, now housed within its Action Platform is entering its second year. The appraisal allowed the Mandate to reconsider the KPIs developed for the platform and therefore the Mandate has amended the KPIs to better reflect the focus of work.
- In addition the Mandate is putting a particular emphasis on engaging with the local networks of the UN Global Compact to drive action on the ground in addition to its global thought leadership work.
- The core workstreams of the Action Platform remain the same, with a focus on Direct Operations and Supply Chains, Metrics, Indicators, and Disclosure, WASH and Human Rights, and Collective Action and Policy Engagement.
- J. Morrison highlighted in addition to the ongoing work members have been aware of, such as continuation of its collaboration platforms (such as WASH4Work and the Business Alliance for Water and Climate), and targets that reflect local context, the Action Platform in late 2018 also began work towards the development of a Water Protocol and is exploring work on valuing water and carbon benefits of watershed investments.

SC members approved of the program of work and had particular interest in the work around the water protocol as well as the climate and carbon accounting work. They highlighted the need to use the events for this year and next around climate to better make the connection between water and climate and to develop a strategic roadmap for water and climate work for the Mandate.

SC members also noted at given that the platform is in the 2nd of its current planned 3 years, that a future SC meeting be focused on strategic planning for the next stage of the Action Platform and the

Mandate's work so that going in 2020, there is a clear direction of travel.

5. Stockholm 2019

- M. Ha provided a brief overview of the planned activities for Stockholm 2019, highlighting that the Mandate will once again be looking to hold a series of meetings within the main SIWI conference that would be more accessible to the stakeholders who attend SIWI while also holding workshop oriented side meetings offsite that will allow Mandate endorsers and critical stakeholders to discuss and debate critical areas of the current work.

SC Members acknowledged this plan and look forward to receiving more information about Stockholm in due course.