



Global Compact Network Australia



Dear Signatories, friends and colleagues of the UN Global Compact Australian Network

I am delighted to announce our most recent Australian Signatories to the Global Compact - **Transurban Group, Streamline Cartons Pty Ltd and Barangaroo Delivery Authority**, and we warmly welcome them to the growing list of Australian Global Compact Participants.

The Working group – will meet for a third time tomorrow and a blog page has been prepared to place draft proposals for the structure of the Network for comment shortly. In addition, early notice is given for our inaugural **Annual Meeting** – likely to be held in February/March 2010 where voting on the working group's proposals will take place. You will be notified as soon as a date is set.

[The Ethical Investor Magazine](#) made contact with our Network for a feature on this month's issue – on human rights in business. We look forward to reading examples of work from our participants in their next issue- due out Oct 21. Thank you to those who got back to us for this request.

Capacity Building

On October 30 I will be holding 2 webinar sessions: "Introduction to the Global Compact" for those new to or wanting to refresh their understanding of the UN Global Compact. To book in click here: <http://thehub.ethics.org.au/>

The Global Compact Bulletin – October Edition Of note is the document *Chief Executives Taking a Stand for Climate Action*- a compilation of chief executive testimonials received in July and August 2009 as part of the Seal the Deal Campaign including a statement from Australian signatory Bill Jones, Managing Director, Sustainable Living Fabrics.

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Building Australian Global Compact Content for Website and Training

Our newly recruited intern has begun to contact Australian signatories to assist in building resources for the Australian Network, to create an Australian business context for the Compact, beginning with the gathering together of case studies from Australian signatories to showcase on the Australian Network website - across the 4 areas of human rights, labour law, environment and anti-corruption. Many thanks to those who have already contributed.

Regional Conference

At least two Australian UNGC Signatories - CPA Australia and Lincolne Crown - will be attending the [1st Asia Pacific Trade and Investment Conference](#), Bangkok, 2-6 November 2009 which includes an OECD-UNESCAP CSR conference on 2-3 November and an overlapping UN Global Compact (UNGC) Regional meeting. John Purcell from CPA Australia has kindly offered to share a feedback report from the conference to our Network following the event – to be included in our next e-news. The event will include a consultation session dedicated to the development of an Asia-Pacific Global Compact Community of Practice.

Regards

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