



Marshalls Publishes 9th UNGC Communication on Progress Report

Marshalls plc has published its 9th United Nations Global Compact Communication on Progress Report (COP), an annual requirement of the organisation being a UNGC signatory. This Communication on Progress sits alongside the Annual Report as the main vehicle for sharing Marshalls' sustainability progress.

Marshalls Group Marketing Director, Chris Harrop, says, "Being a long-term and committed UNGC signatory helps in very practical ways to guide our approach and day-to-day behaviours. The 10 Principles, together with the UN Guiding Principles for Business and Human Rights, provides Marshalls with its human rights framework allowing us to assess and consider our full range of impacts."

He went on to say that strategies and policies, when enacted in practise, and felt by employees, customers, partner and stakeholders are extremely powerful, "We use the UNGC principles as a critical framework which encourages us to think in new and different ways. When we see the bigger picture through our human rights activity for example we can seek to add value far beyond compliance or risk mitigation. Human rights is proving to be a platform for business innovation and meaningful collaboration with new partners, and for long term sustainability. We want to make sure that Marshalls is a company that young people want to work for, investors want to invest in and Governments want to partner with."

CEO Martyn Coffey added, "We remain empowered by our brand values of leadership, excellence, trust and sustainability. I see day-in-day-out Marshalls' team working passionately and diligently to uphold the UNGC pillars of human rights, labour, environment & anti-corruption. We are continuing to leverage sustainability to drive competitive advantage for our business but by absolutely doing the right thing."

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Editors Notes

Marshalls UNGC Communication on Progress Report 2017

<https://www.marshalls.co.uk/documents/reference/ungccopreport2017.pdf>

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