

# APPLY TODAY TO BECOME A **2024 SDG PIONEER.**



## SDG PIONEER 2024 FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS (FAQ)

#### WHO ARE THE 2024 SDG PIONEERS?

Each year, the UN Global Compact recognizes a class of SDG Pioneers — business professionals working at any level of their company who use business as a force to advance the 17 SDGs. Through their own company or by mobilizing other businesses, they are helping to reach one or more of the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) while also contributing to business success.

In 2024, Networks spanning all continents will host country-level SDG Pioneers campaigns to identify Local Pioneers who will then be contenders for the Global SDG Pioneers to be recognized during the 2024 UN General Assembly in September in New York

#### WHO IS ELIGIBLE?

Professionals working at any level of a UN Global Compact participating company are eligible to apply or be nominated. To check whether an organization is a UN Global Compact participating company, please search the participant list <u>online</u>.

For the 2024 SDG Pioneers, we only consider companies who were participants of the UN Global Compact on October 1, 2023 and have submitted their 2024 Communication on Progress (CoP) within the reporting time frame of 1 April to 31 July.

The UN Global Compact reserves the right to remove the SDG Pioneer recognition if the company and/or individual is later deemed a reputational risk to the SDG Pioneer campaign and/or the UN Global Compact initiative.

WHAT IF I AM AFFILIATED WITH BUT NOT DIRECTLY EMPLOYED BY A UN GLOBAL COMPACT SIGNATORY?

You are only eligible to apply or be nominated if employed by the company (or its subsidiary).

MY COMPANY DOES NOT YET PARTICIPATE IN THE UN GLOBAL COMPACT. CAN I STILL APPLY?

Only individuals from UN Global Compact participating companies are eligible to apply or be nominated. If your company is not yet participating in the UN Global Compact, please click <u>HERE</u> to learn more about how to join.

#### WHO CAN SUBMIT A NOMINATION?

You can nominate a colleague at your company or someone you know from another UN Global Compact participating company. The UN Global Compact will then contact that individual and invite them to complete the SDG Pioneers application form.

# HOW DO I APPLY MYSELF OR NOMINATE SOMEONE I THINK IS DOING GREAT WORK?

Please complete the online application form, which is available <u>here</u>. To nominate someone, click <u>here</u>.

#### MY ORGANIZATION IS DOING GREAT WORK. CAN IT BE NOMINATED?

No, the SDG Pioneers campaign highlights the work of individuals, not organizations.

#### WHAT IS THE NOMINATION DEADLINE?

The nomination deadline is May 15, 2024.

## **SELECTION PROCESS**

#### HOW WILL THE SDG PIONEERS BE SELECTED?

A multi-stakeholder SDG Pioneers Selection Group will vote on the candidates. The SDG Pioneers Selection Group will comprise representatives from: Global Compact Network Board Members, UN, Government Representatives, Academia, and civil society.

#### HOW AND WHEN WILL I BE NOTIFIED IF I AM SELECTED?

The Local SDG Pioneer will be informed of his/her selection before July 1st, 2024. This individual will then advance to the Global Round to compete. 2024 Global SDG Pioneers will be selected and recognized at the UN Global Compact Leaders Summit in September 2024. Due to the volume of nominations received, we may be unable to contact nominees who are not selected.

## RECOGNITION

# HOW WILL THE LOCAL SDG PIONEERS BE RECOGNIZED? WHAT WILL I RECEIVE IF SELECTED?

Local Networks will recognize Local Pioneers for the great work that they have done to advance the Sustainable Development Goals.

2024 Global SDG Pioneers will be recognized at the UN Global Compact Leaders Summit in September 2024.

### I HAVE MORE QUESTIONS. WHO CAN I CONTACT?

Please email info@globalcompactkenya.org with any additional questions.