About the Global Impact Forum

Recognizing that global challenges often require local solutions, the inaugural Global Impact Forum will showcase four key initiatives to mobilize corporate action on the Global Goals: SDG Ambition, Young SDG Innovators, Target Gender Equality and Business Ambition for 1.5°C. As a new suite of engagement opportunities, Global Impact Initiatives are designed to mainstream sustainable business practices and scale solutions from the ground up through the efforts of Global Compact Local Networks around the world. The Forum will zoom in on what it takes to implement these initiatives at regional, national and organizational levels. You will hear from governments on their advancements through multi-stakeholder partnerships, from UN and civil society leaders on their vision to scale collective impact, and from business— from executive level to young leaders— on how their actions are leading to meaningful progress towards the achievement of the SDGs.

The Global Impact Initiative Forum aims to share practical take-aways with an audience of corporate sustainability professionals, ready to be applied in their day-to-day work. It is the centerpiece of bringing together local perspectives with global missions, sharing actionable solutions to practical questions:

How might we promote and support youth to lead and innovate within their companies? How can we tackle gender discrimination and foster inclusion while addressing the multiple barriers to equality that women might face based on race, ethnicity, class, religion, ability, sexuality and other aspects of identity? How can we mainstream a 1.5°C climate trajectory and ensure business and governments ramp up efforts to recover better together? And how can we integrate, monitor and manage sustainability metrics across all business processes enabling us to achieve ambitious targets?

At 10:00 am Global Impact Forum will cross live to the High-Level opening of the 75th session of the UN General Assembly.