

**Article 13 Communication on Progress 2008 – UN Global Compact**

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Article 13 has just released our 2008 annual Communication on Progress (CoP) to showcase and report our United Nations Global Compact (UNGC) commitments. The UN Global Compact requires its members to monitor and report on its activities in all of the ten principles covering Human Rights, Labour Rights, the Environment, and Transparency and Anti-Corruption. As a CSR consultancy, experts in the areas of Business Responsibility, Sustainable Development, Corporate Citizenship and Governance, Article 13 takes its membership extremely seriously and as one of only a few small business members, we take particular care to strategically address a wide scope of issues.

Furthermore, as 2008 was the 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Declaration of Human Rights, it is with special significance that Article 13 has published its 2008 annual [Communication On Progress \(COP\)](#) detailing actions and commitments. We contribute to global topics linked to the Millennium Development Goals, as well as local topics that are happening in our own back yard.

Over the last 12 months Article 13 has taken considerable effort to address each and every one of the UNGC principles in both [global actions](#) that require partnerships and joint ventures, as well as [local initiatives](#) that affect the community in which we work.

**Local scale** - our actions include supporting local business and community through our procurement choices and environmental practice.

**National scale** - alongside being signatories to the recent Call to Action on the Millennium Development Goals by Rt HON Gordon Brown, Article 13 has committed itself to a number of responsible business partnerships and ventures.

**Global scale** - Article 13 has also been involved in a number of initiatives supporting Human Rights, the fight against poverty and hunger, and a number of international current affair causes.

After being rewarded a 'Notable COP' in 2007, an extremely significant achievement for a SME member of the UNGC, Neela Bettridge, the director of Article 13 said: "We have been given a [Notable COP](#) status by the United Nations Global Compact, which highlights and recognises outstanding Communication on Progress. We are even more truly committed to embedding UNGC principles and Millennium Development Goals in 2008/2009."

Article 13 has also published a [summary presentation of our 2008 CoP](#)

Find out more about [Article 13's commitment](#) to the [UNGC principles](#)

For information on Article 13's UNGC membership, assistance with CoP reporting, or any other information, contact Fiona Banyard on 0208 840 4450 or email [fionab@article13.com](mailto:fionab@article13.com)

A notable CoP signatory of the United Nations Global Compact – [www.unglobalcompact.org](http://www.unglobalcompact.org)

Article 13 are experts in business responsibility, typically in the areas of corporate social responsibility (CSR), sustainability and governance. Article 13 seeks to embed and integrate responsible business practices in organisations by means of consultancy services, training, coach-mentoring and thought leadership.



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