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ALDI SUISSE joins Swiss sustainability network

In May 2018, ALDI SUISSE became the first and only Swiss discount retailer to join the Global Compact Network Switzerland (GCNS), the official Swiss platform of the United Nations Global Compact.

The [GCNS](#) is a voluntary initiative undertaken by Swiss companies of all sizes and sectors that are committed to sustainable business operations and to fulfilling their responsibility towards the public. “We look forward to participating in intensive dialogue within the scope of this Swiss Network. ALDI SUISSE will be glad to share its own experiences made within the area of sustainability”, stated Fabienne Schürmann, Director of Corporate Responsibility at ALDI SUISSE. “For this reason, it is also important to us that we demonstrate our mutual commitment to a responsible and sustainable economy in Switzerland locally in future.”

The members of the GCNS include businesses and organisations from various sectors of the Swiss economy. Besides promoting responsible business practices, the joint mission of the network is also to hold open dialogue, to exchange experiences gained, and to work constructively together to implement the ten principles of the UN Global Compact regarding human rights, labour standards, the environment, anticorruption, as well as the UN's Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).

“Businesses that operate consistently and sustainably in terms of their economic, social, and ecological principles are an absolute necessity for the future of our society”, emphasised Antonio Hautle, Executive Director of the Global Compact Network Switzerland. “We are very pleased that ALDI SUISSE has assumed this responsibility and that we may welcome

them to the network on the occasion of the launch of our 'Tour de Suisse for responsible and sustainable business 2018–22'."

As a member of the ALDI SOUTH Group, ALDI SUISSE [joined the United Nations Global Compact \(UNGC\)](#) already in August 2017.