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### FOREWORD

South Africa's response to Covid-19 has been swift, integrated and urgent as led by President Cyril Ramaphosa. Equally, companies in South Africa have heeded the President's call and are supporting government interventions, pledging finances and aiding workers, clients and value chains. In this Special Edition of The Compact Newsletter, we bring you some examples of how companies in South Africa are responding to the Covid-19 crisis. It is also encouraging to see impactful collaborations emerging between companies and with government and civil society. In subsequent editions, the Global Compact Network South Africa will share with you examples from businesses in the African Continent and from the rest of the world. The UN Global Compact is at the forefront guiding the business response at a global, regional and local levels. Through the [Global Compact Academy](#), we avail a platform for our global community to discuss collaborative efforts against Covid-19; and learn how to address the negative socio-economic impacts using the [Ten Principles](#) of the UN Global Compact.

**-Dr Achieng Ojwang,  
Executive Director  
Global Compact Network SA**



## Distell to Supply Sanitisers to Vulnerable Communities

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Distell, Africa's leading producer and marketer of spirits, fine wines, ciders and ready-to-drinks (RTDs), today announced that it will begin producing hand sanitisers and other hygienic products at its production facilities.

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## Woolworths Donates R500000 Towards Medical Workers

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Woolworths and the MySchool MyVillage MyPlanet community loyalty programme have made a R500 000 donation to the Gift of the Givers Foundation to support frontline medical workers through the provision of protective wear and equipment.

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## Old Mutual Pledges 50 Million Rands Towards Education

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Old Mutual Limited announced that it would be pledging R50-million toward a comprehensive COVID-19 response, in partnership with government, business, labour and civil society.

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## Anglo American Announces Company-Wide Measures

Anglo American notes the statement made by the President of the Republic of South Africa on 23 March in relation to a 21-day nationwide lockdown that took effect at midnight on Thursday 26 March, in order to help curb the spread of COVID-19 in South Africa.

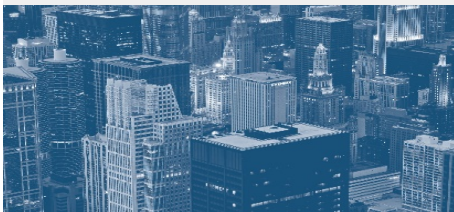


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## Engage Online via the Academy

### New Leadership for a Global Crisis



Session 1: Thursday,  
2 April

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### COVID-19 and Supporting the World of Work



Session 2: Tuesday,  
7 April

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### How Business Can Support Women in Times of Crisis



Session 3: Tuesday, 14  
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