

Swiss Re Modern Slavery Act Transparency Statement

This statement is made on behalf of the Swiss Re group of companies (the **Swiss Re Group**) pursuant to section 54(1) of the UK Modern Slavery Act 2015 and constitutes the Swiss Re Group's slavery and human trafficking statement for the financial year ending 31 December 2022. This statement sets out the steps that the Swiss Re Group has taken and is taking to ensure that slavery and human trafficking are not taking place in any of its supply chains or in any part of its own business.

The Swiss Re Group

The Swiss Re Group is a leading wholesale provider of reinsurance, insurance and other insurance-based forms of risk transfer. Dealing directly and working through brokers, our global client base consists of insurance companies, mid-to-large-sized corporations, public sector clients, and retail customers. Our operating segments comprise:

- Our Reinsurance business unit, offering traditional reinsurance solutions, insurance-linked securities and other insurance-related capital market products in both the property and casualty and life and health sectors;
- Our Corporate Solutions business unit, providing insurance capacity to mid-sized and large multinational corporations, and
- our iptiQ division, providing a digital B2B2C white-label insurance platform.

Headquartered in Zurich, Switzerland, Swiss Re operates through a network of offices in 29 countries. For more information about the Swiss Re Group, and for a list of Swiss Re's significant subsidiaries and businesses, please see our 2022 Financial Report.

Our commitment to sustainability

Swiss Re has a long-standing commitment to corporate responsibility and supporting sustainable progress. Swiss Re observes with the UN Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights (known as the Ruggie Framework) and is a signatory to the UN Global Compact. We are also signatories to the UN-supported Principles for Responsible Investment and to the United Nations Principles for Sustainable Insurance. This web of ethical principles informs our [Group Code of Conduct](#), which guides Swiss Re employees in making responsible decisions and achieving results using the highest ethical standards.

We also recognise that espousal of human rights, labour standards and environmental protection is crucial for responsible business and sustainable development, and so of long-term benefit to the re/insurance industry. Our [ESG Risk Framework](#) is based on the overarching principles of protecting the environment, respecting human rights and promoting good corporate governance. Our Group Executive Committee further embedded these principles into the Swiss Re Group's operations through the Group Sustainability Strategy. To learn more about our commitment to sustainability, the Group Sustainability Strategy, and the actions we have taken to put this commitment into practice, please see our 2022 [Sustainability Report](#) (new link: [Sustainability Report and TCFD 2022 | Swiss Re](#)) and the [Sustainability](#) section of our website.

Our policies in practice

Our employees

Our Code of Conduct requires Swiss Re to promote a diverse and inclusive environment where everyone is treated with respect, free from discrimination and harassment. We are committed to fair and equal treatment, and provide equal opportunity for all individuals, regardless of age, race, ethnicity, nationality, gender, religion, sexual orientation, disability or any other class protected by law.

Recruitment of all employees by Swiss Re is conducted in accordance with our Global Standard on Recruitment. This requires all applicants to undergo formal pre-screening for review of their eligibility, work permits and completeness of documents. All Swiss Re employees are employed by mutual agreement through a written contract governed by local law and terminable by either party.

All employees and candidates have access to an externally-hosted Whistleblowing Hotline to report suspicions of misconduct openly and anonymously. The Hotline is accessible by phone or via a website, both of which are operated by an independent service provider. All reports are treated in confidence, and Swiss Re maintains a zero-tolerance policy regarding retaliation against any individual reporting in good faith.

Our supply chain and procurement processes

To run our operations we procure a wide range of goods and services, and we recognise and mitigate the supply chain risk that exists where our suppliers do not apply national or international legal and regulatory standards, or do not follow the principles set out in the UN Global Compact. The principles of the UN Global Compact are incorporated into our Code of Conduct by reference, and specifically cover our relationships with external service providers under the headings of human rights, labour conditions, environmental impact and anticorruption. The procurement of all goods and services from external vendors is conducted in accordance with our Targeted Standard on Procurement, which refers to our Group Code of Conduct and this also incorporates these headings from the UN Global Compact. When selecting goods and services, we examine whether they comply with these requirements as part of the overall evaluation process. We review existing strategic suppliers in periodic contract reviews, and we visit individual suppliers to inspect them onsite or virtually. Internally, we hold regular awareness training on the principles of our Code of Conduct with all our procurement staff.

We take a multi-layered and integrated approach to sustainable supply chain management, using collaborative platforms provided by multiple external providers to assess and screen suppliers and supply networks against corporate social responsibility criteria. The methodologies developed by these platforms explicitly incorporate human rights compliance due diligence, including screening for use of child and forced labour, and human trafficking. We use these platforms across all sourcing categories including all Segment I and Segment II vendors (who account for approximately 80% of our spending with supplier).

Our clients and business transactions

The ESG Risk Framework is an advanced risk management instrument that enables the company to identify, assess and address environmental, social and human rights, and governance-related risks potentially associated with the company's transactions. This includes human rights violations, forced labour and slavery. The framework is applied across Swiss Re's business activities, including re/insurance transactions and investments, where information granularity is available and allows for a meaningful ESG risk assessment.

Our investments and acquisitions

Swiss Re invests its assets responsibly via a controlled and structured investment process, integrating ESG criteria along the entire investment process. As part of that, we consider better ESG rated companies for our listed equity and corporate bond investments. Furthermore, Asset Management's approach to exclusion is based on our [ESG Risk Framework](#), which sets criteria for what Swiss Re considers acceptable business and may lead to exclusions of companies or countries from our investment universe. The Framework is based on the overarching principles of protecting the environment, respecting human rights and promoting strong corporate governance.

All of our investments by acquisition include due diligence conducted in accordance with our Code of Conduct. These include pre-transaction screening and legal due diligence and, as required, integrity checks by external advisers, in order to identify and assess ESG, legal and regulatory risks. At more advanced stages of the due diligence process, our investment teams work with Group Risk Management and Compliance functions to perform sustainable business risk, political risk and compliance assessments.

Swiss Re is part of the [major sustainability indices based on sustainability ratings received by external data providers](#). To learn more about our investing approach, please see the [Responsible Investing in Practice](#) section of our website.

Our action against money laundering and financial crime

An aspect specifically relevant to financial service providers in the context of human trafficking is the link to money laundering. Organised crime activities such as human trafficking often generate revenues in cash with the aim of placement into the financial system. In order to prevent our organization from being misused for money laundering purposes, Swiss Re has a robust Global Anti-Money Laundering Programme in place to ensure compliance with Anti-Money Laundering and Counter-Terrorist Financing (AML) laws. The Programme includes risk-based counterparty due diligence and screening against dedicated AML watchlists (for both sourcing and re/insurance counterparties), risk-based transaction monitoring, mandatory AML training for all employees, designated group and regional money laundering reporting officers, a requirement for all employees to report illegal, suspicious or unusual activity to their money laundering reporting officer, reporting of AML and terrorist financing suspicions to relevant authorities, internal and independent reviews and audits to test the design and effectiveness of our AML framework, and a whistleblowing hotline for anonymous reporting. Swiss Re does not accept, pay, invest or safekeep any form of virtual asset and has a regulatory risk analytics solution in place to track regulatory changes and emerging risks. Swiss Re also adheres to the Recommendations of the Financial Action Taskforce, the leading international organization in the fight against money laundering and terrorist financing.

Approval

The Board of Directors of Swiss Re Ltd approved this statement at its meeting of 15 March 2023.



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