

Communication on Progress

COP Minimum Requirements Swedish Net 2018

Introduction

Swedish Net continues to support the UN Global Compact initiative and the ten principles in the areas of human rights, labour, the environment and anti-corruption.

This is the sixth communication on progress from Swedish Net Communication AB. In the past year Swedish Net has won more airport projects than ever before and the biggest turnover. This has also lead to a series of new suppliers that are to be reviewed in our UN Global compact supplier program, that is integrated in our ISO certified quality management system.

Human rights

Sweden has stable governance with laws and regulations and zero tolerance to human rights abuse in the public eye, because of this, human rights abuse is not common within serious companies in Sweden. However, the risk of complicity exists in every sector and every country and we see it as our social responsibility to boycott companies that are known to compromise human rights here in Sweden and abroad.

Our biggest concern however are companies abroad that don't have stable governance or pour regard of the human rights, in our quality management system we are determined to investigate those companies before making any business.

Labour

The four principles related to labour are regulated by law in Sweden. Besides that Sweden has well established and strong workers unions. Companies that Swedish Net hires labour from are obligated to follow the collective established regulations on paycheck, working hours etc.

Environment

Swedish Net has an environmental management system certified in ISO 14001.

Anti-corruption

Corruption of any kind is not acceptable.

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Goals

- Crosscheck human rights abuse, labour abuse, environmental crimes and corruption on all foreign companies on the internet.
- Crosscheck human rights abuse, labour abuse, environmental crimes and/or corruption on most of the companies active in Sweden and abroad on the internet.
- Crosscheck human rights abuse, labour abuse, environmental crimes or corruption on samples of Swedish companies active only in Sweden on the internet.

Measurement of outcome

 Crosscheck human rights abuse, labour abuse, environmental crimes and corruption on all foreign companies on the internet.

Out of 3/3 controlled companies we found 0 indication that a company did not fulfill all of the ten principles.

 Crosscheck human rights abuse, labour abuse, environmental crimes and/or corruption on most of the companies active in Sweden and abroad on the internet.

Out of 10/16 controlled companies we found 3 companies that did not fulfill at least one of the ten principles.

Company	Area	Description
Santander consumer bank	Anti-Corruption	https://seekingalpha.com/article/4078715-santander-brazils- corruption-scandal
DnB NOR Finans	Anti-Corruption	https://euobserver.com/justice/138884
Nestlé	Child labour	https://www.confectionerynews.com/Article/2018/02/13/Nestle-sued-again-over-child-labor-in-cocoa-supply-chain

• Crosscheck human rights abuse, labour abuse, environmental crimes or corruption on samples of Swedish companies active only in Sweden on the internet.

Out of 12/119 controlled companies we found 0 companies that did not fulfill at least one of the ten principles.

Self-assessment

 Crosscheck human rights abuse, labour abuse, environmental crimes and corruption on all foreign companies on the internet.

Controlled Not controlled

 Crosscheck human rights abuse, labour abuse, environmental crimes and/or corruption on most of the companies active in Sweden and abroad on the internet.

Controlled Not controlled

 Crosscheck human rights abuse, labour abuse, environmental crimes or corruption on samples of Swedish companies active only in Sweden on the internet.

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Result

Chilean DHL Express workers achieve collective agreement after DHL "grievously and systematically" fails to live up to its own procedures and promises set out in its 'Code of Conduct', as well as to international labour standards. http://www.itfglobal.org/en/news-events/news/2017/october/chilean-dhl-express-workers-achieve-collective-agreement/

Nestlé still has problems with child labour https://www.confectionerynews.com/Article/2018/02/13/Nestle-sued-again-over-child-labor-in-cocoa-supply-chain. We are going to ask them what changes they make, if we don't make a satisfying answer we will turn to a different supplier.

Allegations against SAAB and Lula in Brazil are being investigated, Swedish Net won't take any actions until the investigation is finished.

Nordea has been sentenced to millions in fines due to information the panama papers has revealed.

Santander Bank Brazil is involved in a corruption scandal, we will keep a close watch to see the development.

Leaked documents showed that Danske Bank, Denmark's largest lender, helped to funnel money out of Azerbaijan via four of its branches in Estonia into the EU and the Middle East between 2012 and 2014, we will keep a close watch to see the development.

Yours sincerely

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