

## **Modern Slavery and Human Trafficking Statement**

### **Introduction**

This Modern Slavery and Human Trafficking Statement relates to actions and activities during the financial year 30 March 2025 to 30 March 2026.

The statement sets down Nichino Europe Co. Ltd's commitment to preventing slavery and human trafficking in our business activities and the steps we have put in place with the aim of ensuring that there is no slavery or human trafficking in our own business and supply chains. We all have a duty to be alert to risks, however small. Staff are expected to report their concerns and management to act upon them.

### **Organisational structure and supply chains**

This statement covers the business activities of Nichino Europe Co. Ltd which are as follows:

Research and development, manufacture and distribution of crop protection products and agrichemicals.

The Company currently operates in the following countries:

UK

**Continental European countries:** EU 27 countries: Austria, Belgium, Bulgaria, Croatia, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Italy, Ireland, Latvia, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Malta, Netherlands, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Turkey

**CIS countries:** Azerbaijan, Moldova, Russia, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Uzbekistan

**African countries:** Algeria, Sudan, Morocco, Tunisia, Egypt, South Africa, Kenya, Angola, Burkina Faso

**Other countries:** Albania, Armenia, Bosnia, Herzegovina, Iraq, Israel, Georgia, Jordan, Kosovo, Montenegro, North Macedonia, Norway, Oman, Palestine, Saudi Arabia, Serbia, Switzerland, Syria, UAE, Ukraine, Zambia.

Responsibility for the Company's anti-slavery initiatives is as follows:

- 1.1 Policies: General Counsel is responsible for creating and reviewing policies. The process by which policies are developed is looking at best practice and adapting to the needs of the Company.
- 1.2 Risk assessments: General Counsel is responsible for risk assessments in respect of human rights and modern slavery by a process of periodic review of supply chain.
- 1.3 Due diligence: General Counsel is responsible for due diligence in relation to known or suspected instances of modern slavery and human trafficking.

## **Training**

To ensure a good understanding of the risks of modern slavery and human trafficking in our business and supply chains, the Company requires all staff to attend training either via a third-party provider or through internal training given by the General Counsel.

## **Policies**

The Company is committed to ensuring that there is no modern slavery or human trafficking in our business or our supply chains. This Statement affirms its intention to act ethically in our business relationships.

The following policies set down our approach to the identification of modern slavery risks and steps to be taken to prevent slavery and human trafficking in our operations:

- 2.1 **Whistleblowing policy** - the Company encourages all its workers, customers and other business partners to report any concerns related to its direct activities or its supply chains. The Company's Whistleblowing policy is available on its website.

**For employees the policy is further detailed in the Employee Handbook and reminded to employees regularly at monthly company meetings.**

- 2.2 **Employee Handbook** – The Handbook sets down the actions and behaviour expected of employees when representing the Company.
- 2.3 **Corporate Policies (updated 2024)** which can be found here: Manufacturing and Environmental Policy: [3902e4-manufacturing-environmental-policy-2024.pdf](#); CSR Policy: [Corporate Social Responsibility | Environmental Sustainability](#); Business Ethical Policy [333c04-business-ethical-policy-2024.pdf](#) detail how we work responsibly with suppliers and local communities, our values and our role in safeguarding the supply chain from unethical social and environmental impact.
- 2.4 **Supplier Code of Conduct** implemented in 2022 and referred to in all new supply agreements since that time sets out our expectations of our suppliers and mirrors our own corporate ethical policies. The code can be found here: [405b9d-nichino-supplier-code-of-conduct-february-2022.pdf](#) .

### **Due Diligence Processes for Slavery and Human Trafficking**

The Company undertakes due diligence when considering taking on new suppliers, and customers and regularly reviews its existing suppliers and customers. The Company's due diligence process includes building long-standing relationships with suppliers and customers and making clear our expectations of business partners and where possible requiring them to sign up to our Supplier Code of Conduct (for suppliers) and our other Corporate Policies outlined in 2.3.

All business partners are expected to abide by our Business Ethical Policy that covers the Company's position on Human Rights, Workers Rights, the Environment, Conflicts of Interest and Bribery and Corruption.

### **Performance indicators**

The Company uses the following key performance indicators (KPIs) to measure how effective we are in ensuring slavery and human trafficking is not taking place in any part of our business or supply chains:

- requiring all staff to undertake training with regards to the identification of slavery and human trafficking in the supply chain and business
- requiring all suppliers to sign our Supplier Code of Conduct
- requiring all business partners to comply with our Corporate Policies

Year on year the Company will review the progress of achieving its goal of 100% compliance with these KPIs.

This Modern Slavery and Human Trafficking Statement will be regularly reviewed and updated as necessary. The Directors endorse this policy statement and is fully committed to its implementation.

This Modern Slavery and Human Trafficking Statement has been approved and authorised by:

The Board of Nichino Europe Co., Ltd

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