# Şişecam Group

# **Anti-Bribery and Corruption Policy**

# 1. Purpose

The purpose of this policy is to set out commitments and position of Şişecam Group with regards to bribery and corruption clearly and uphold the corporate image. This policy, being an integrated part of Code of Conduct adopted by the Group, aims to provide necessary information for prevention of bribery and corruption in all Group activities and to specify responsibilities and rules in that regard.

# 2. Scope

Anti-Bribery and Corruption Policy covers not only Group employees but also all business partners acting in the name of the Group or offering services to the Group.

In that regard, the policy applies to:

- All Group employees including Directors,
- Third party consultancy, legal consultancy, or counselling companies and their employees,
- Outsourcing sub-contractor companies and employees,
- Persons and entities undertaking activities in the name of the Group directly or indirectly including but not limited to representatives, distributors and agencies.

It is especially important to appreciate that the practices and restrictions provided in this policy are binding over the abovementioned persons and entities. It should not be neglected that the Group may be held responsible for unlawful or unethical conduct of those persons and entities. In that regard, it is of utmost importance to make sure that the business partners of the Group also complies with this policy as well as the Group Code of Conduct, relevant regulations and procedures.

# 3. Definitions

**Bribe:** Offering a material or immaterial advantage directly or indirectly to a person or a third party designated by that person pursuant to an oral or written agreement to induce that person to take an action that is contrary to requirements of his business tasks or outside the ordinary course of business by means performing, not performing, accelerating or slowing down a specific task. Bribe may take various forms including cash, gift, entertainment invitation or ticket, debt relief, charitable donations etc.

**Corruption:** Misuse of any power that is held due to one's position for personal material or immaterial gains directly or indirectly.

# 4. Responsibilities

#### **Parent Company Board of Directors**

- The Board of Directors of the Parent Company shall be the highest authority responsible for Anti-Bribery and Corruption Policy.
- Parent Company Board shall adopt this policy and provide the necessary background for implementation of the policy.
- It shall establish and develop internal control systems to prevent bribery and corruption.
- It shall ensure establishment of communication channels required for reporting any conduct that is in violation of this policy and take measures to keep the identity of reporting persons confidential and to protect them accordingly.
- It shall make sure that necessary investigations and inquiries are made about the complaints, reports, notifications and allegations in line with the regulations of the Group.
- It shall ensure that audits are conducted for promoting compliance with the legislations, regulations, procedures and policies and corrective measures are adopted as necessary.

#### **Board of Ethics:**

- Board of Ethics shall be responsible for furthering compliance with Şişecam Group Code of Conduct, promoting culture of ethics in the Group, and increasing awareness level in that regard.
- It shall perform activities, make decisions and deliver opinions about potential solutions to the practical problems related to Code of Conduct and Anti-Bribery and Corruption Policy.
- It shall evaluate the internal or external complaints and reports made to the Board as to violation of code of conduct via electronic mail, mail, by phone or other communication means to determine whether any violation is applicable.
- It shall inform the Audit Committee about situations provided in "Regulation on Establishment and Working Principles of Board of Ethics" after duly evaluating the complaints and reports made to the Board.

# Managers and Employees:

- All employees shall agree with the Anti-Bribery and Corruption Policy and act in compliance with the relevant principles.
- Managers shall ensure that the principles provided in the policy are understood, implemented and upheld by the relevant business partners and their reports.
- Employees may not be forced to act in violation of this policy in any manner by any person.
- All Group employees shall be bound to report wrongdoings and suspicions under this policy to their managers and/or the following communication channels.
- Managers shall be bound to transmit the complaints, reports and allegations made by their reports to the following communication channels.

### 5. Policy

Şişecam Group has adopted the Anti-Bribery and Corruption Policy as an indication of its sensitiveness to matters of business ethics. Given the fact that this matter constitutes an action requiring legal punishment in addition to its significance in terms of business ethics, employees are expected to take this matter seriously and evaluate it as part of their personal duties and responsibilities independently from business life.

Şişecam Group aims to act in compliance with anti-bribery and corruption laws and regulations applicable in all the countries of operation and representation, universal rules of law, ethical and professional principles. Accordingly, the Group takes "**zero tolerance**" approach to bribery and corruption and is committed to undertaking its activities fairly and honestly in line with legal and ethical rules.

Code of Conduct, regulations, procedures and other policies of Şişecam Group require performance of activities correctly, fairly and honestly in compliance with the laws and the Group assumes an even more sensitive approach to anti-bribery and corruption with a view to protecting and furthering the rights of all stakeholders. Anti-Bribery and Corruption Policy has been adopted as part of the significance of the matter.

Şişecam Group explicitly prohibits resort to bribery and corruption in its activities in all countries. Persons to whom this Anti-Bribery and Corruption Policy applies are prohibited from offering payment or anything of value to provide any unlawful or unethical benefit even for the interests of the Group, acquiring any similar benefit from other persons or entities, and being involved in any unlawful and unethical act that might be regarded as bribery or corruption even if such practices are common in the country of operation or in the industry.

In that regard, it is of no importance whether the benefit provided as bribery and corruption has any material value or whether anything is done for the other party in return for the benefit. Anti-Bribery and Corruption Policy shall be considered to have been violated even when the value of the benefit is extremely insignificant or the commitment has not been realized despite making an offer.

Şişecam Group is committed to protect legal rights of governmental organizations, suppliers, customers, employees, and other stakeholders. Accounting procedures shall be recorded fully, correctly and fairly and internal control systems are established for preventing undeclared transactions.

# 6. Donations and Gifts

Rules of donations and gifts are provided in detail in Şişecam Group Code of Conduct, Donation Regulation and Donation Policy. Şişecam Group Code of Conduct and Donation Policy are published on the corporate website to enable third parties including customers, suppliers, investors and other stakeholders to have access to them. In case of any uncertainty as to interpretation or implementation of the regulations or coming across any situation not provided in the regulations, it is necessary to contact the Board of Ethics by means of the following communication channels.

# 7. Events or Suspicions of Bribery and Corruption

All Group employees shall be bound to inform their managers and/or following contact persons of any bribery and corruption event or suspicion immediately. Here are a few examples to such conditions:

- Offer of bribe to you or your colleague
- Relationships based on mutual interest or conflict of interest which you bear witness or have information about
- Any irregularity in company records
- Acts and behaviours such as providing favour or benefit in tenders and purchases
- Providing benefits to any customer or supplier in violation of legal and internal regulations
- Coercion applied on you or your colleagues by any internal or external person or entity to act in violation of the Group Code of Conduct or this policy

You must contact your manager and/or following communication channels when you come across such situations. In some cases, employees may hesitate to report such practices if they are concerned that they may be affected negatively from reporting such an event. Sisecam Group Board of Directors guarantee that persons reporting or filing complaints about conditions in violation of the legal regulations, code of conduct and Group regulations shall not incur any damages for filing such a report or complaint. The identities of reporting individuals shall be kept strictly confidential and they shall be protected against any damage due to the report or complaint – **unless their allegations turn out to be deliberate slanders**.

# 8. Sanctions Applicable to this Policy

Group regulations, procedures and instructions apply to all positions in the Group according to which this Anti-Bribery and Corruption Policy must be adopted and implemented by all the employees. In case of violation of Anti-Bribery and Corruption Policy, the Group policies provide for a number of sanctions up to termination of employment agreement in addition to other significant legal sanctions including penalty of imprisonment in many countries.

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