

#### **ANTI-SLAVERY & HUMAN TRAFFICKING STATEMENT**

#### 1. Introduction

This statement sets out the measures Mitsui & Co. Europe Ltd ("Mitsui Europe") has taken to ensure slavery and human trafficking is not taking place within our organisation or our supply chains. This statement is made pursuant to the UK's Modern Slavery Act 2015 (the "Modern Slavery Act").

### 2. Our Organisation

Mitsui Europe is a company incorporated under the laws of England and Wales. It is headquartered at the 8th and 9th Floors, 1 St. Martin's Le Grand, London EC1A 4AS, the UK. Mitsui Europe operates and has offices and subsidiaries in the UK and across Europe. For more information on our organisation, please visit the following link: https://www.mitsui.com/jp/en/company/outline/worldwide/europe/index.html.

Mitsui Europe is a wholly owned subsidiary of Mitsui & Co., Ltd ("Mitsui"), headquartered in Japan. Mitsui is a publicly listed company and endorses the United Nations Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights and the Ten Principle of the United Nations Global Compact (the "Global Compact"). Mitsui conducts its business activities in line with these principles. (https://www.mitsui.com/jp/en/sustainability/philosophy/initiative/)

## 3. Our Business

Our business is wide ranging and includes activities from product sales, worldwide logistics and financing through to the development of major international infrastructure and other projects in the following business areas: Iron & Steel Products, Mineral & Metal Resources, Mobility Business, Chemicals, Energy/Energy Solutions/Infrastructure Projects, Food Business, and Innovation & Corporate Development.

Our annual turnover for the financial year ended 31 March 2025 ("FYE March 2025") was above the  $\,\pounds\,36M$  threshold specified in the Modern Slavery Act.

For more information on our business, please visit the following link:

https://www.mitsui.com/eu/en/business/index.html.

#### 4. Our Supply Chains

Mitsui Europe is engaged in the trading of products including chemicals, food, and steel

products, and acts as an intermediary and facilitator for other products traded within Europe and globally. Mitsui Europe is also directly or indirectly engaged in business investment, project development and management. We are therefore active at various stages of our supply chains, from upstream to downstream.

High-risk business areas of Mitsui global identified through its human rights risk mapping process by Mitsui in FYE March 2020 are mainly related to food, textiles, building materials and the mining industry.

In conducting business, Mitsui Europe is fully aware of its responsibilities, such as complying with applicable laws, respecting human rights, maintaining safe and sanitary working conditions, comprehensively considering the reduction of the environmental burden, and ensuring safety and consumer confidence. Mitsui Europe adheres to Mitsui's policies and approach. For more details, please refer to "Supply Chain Management", "Human Rights", "Sustainability Report 2024", "Materiality" on Mitsui Website.

# 5. Our Policies and Guidelines Business Conduct Guidelines

Mitsui Europe's Business Conduct Guidelines set out and highlight the importance of "Compliance with the Law and Respect for Human Rights" and put in place compliance reporting policies and structures. They also refer to the Global Compact to remind all our employees of the importance of understanding and complying with its principles.

Mitsui Europe also adheres to the following Mitsui's policies and guidelines which apply on a global group basis. Mitsui supports Mitsui Europe and other group companies in the practice and implementation of these policies.

# **Materiality**

In May 2025, Mitsui's materiality, which was defined in 2015 and reviewed in 2019, was further reviewed, incorporating the perspective of double materiality to ensure that our recognition of social issues is in line with the ever-changing operating environment. "Cultivate societies that respect human rights" was then added as an independent material issue.

## **Sustainability Policy**

Formulated in 2021, this policy sets out Mitsui's group-wide basic approach to sustainability. It includes our commitment to regard sustainability initiatives as important management issues and to take on the challenge of addressing global issues and contributing to the realisation of a sustainable society and economic growth at the same time through our business activities.

# **Human Rights Policy**

Formulated in 2020 and revised in 2022, this policy sets out Mitsui's group-wide approach to human rights. It includes our commitment to operate our business with respect for human rights and our expectations for various stakeholders to understand and respect human rights in the manner specified therein.

# "With Integrity" - Mitsui & Co. Group Conduct Guidelines

Mitsui's "With Integrity" Guidelines includes requirements for employees to respect human rights and not to engage in discrimination of any kind. It also states that employees shall prevent human rights violations and collaborate with suppliers to ensure that they do not contribute to human rights violations, such as child labour or forced labour.

## **Sustainable Supply Chain Policy**

Our former "Supply Chain Corporate Social Responsibility Policy" was renamed as the "Sustainable Supply Chain Policy" in 2020 and further revised in 2023. This policy sets out Mitsui's expectations of our suppliers to respect human rights, including not to tolerate forced labour, bonded labour, human trafficking, child labour or any other form of modern slavery.

# <u>Procurement Policies for Specific Commodities</u> (natural rubber, palm oil, timber, paper products, and marine products)

Formulated in 2021 and revised in 2022, these policies set out Mitsui's group-wide approach to social risks such as violations of workers' rights and human rights of local communities as well as environmental risks such as deforestation. In addition, Mitsui's consolidated subsidiary, Mitsui & Co. Seafoods Ltd., which handles marine products, formulated the procurement policy for marine products in 2023 with the goal of eliminating IUU (illegal, unreported, and unregulated) fishing and overfishing. In accordance with these policies for specific commodities, our suppliers are requested to comply with all applicable laws and regulations as well as to respect relevant international standards such as the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples, the Convention concerning Indigenous and Tribal Peoples in Independent Countries (ILO Convention: C169), and the principle of "Free, Prior and Informed Consent (FPIC) of Indigenous Peoples".

## **Respecting Internationally Recognized Human Rights Standards**

We are committed to respect human rights as contained, at a minimum, in the International Bill of Human Rights and the International Labour Organisation (ILO) Declaration on Fundamental Principles and Rights at Work.

#### 6. Our Approach

• Supplier Communication – When commencing business with a new supplier, formal

written communication is sent to such supplier, requesting their understanding and cooperation to comply with Mitsui's group-wide <u>Sustainable Supply Chain Policy</u>. This is reinforced by Mitsui's regular group-wide internal survey on compliance.

- Whistleblowing We take human rights issue seriously and have a whistleblowing framework in place to encourage staff to report any suspicions they may have, including human rights violations. We make sure that no retaliation or detrimental treatment should occur against whistleblowers.
- Workforce Mitsui Europe designs its employment, recruitment, and remuneration practices to ensure that they comply with the laws and regulations of the jurisdictions in which we operate.
- Training Staff awareness is a key measure in preventing slavery and human trafficking. In July 2022, Mitsui published the "Sustainable Supply Chain Management Handbook" and the recordings of online webinars by Mitsui and an external lawyer were shared with employees at all levels in Mitsui Europe and its subsidiaries. The handbook outlines Mitsui's group policies and initiatives as well as sustainability issues in our supply chains and is accessible to all employees of Mitsui Europe.

In October 2024, Mitsui Europe rolled out a mandatory legal e-learning including Human Rights related topics which employees were required to complete.

In November 2024, Mitsui's group wide "With Integrity Month" launched various initiatives, such as management messages, discussions, and videos, to realise our vision of an organisation with integrity. In particular, Mitsui invited an external expert to hold an online seminar on business and human rights for Mitsui's suppliers, consolidated subsidiaries in Japan and elsewhere along with employees of Mitsui. The recording and presentation materials are available to employees of Mitsui Group. Employees at Mitsui Europe were also requested to affirm their understanding and compliance of our Business Conduct Guidelines, contributing to reinforce our policy on human rights.

• Management Framework - The Rules on Human Rights Management Framework was established, defining the management system, roles and responsibilities, and management methods for human rights at group level. This framework ensures that we do not infringe on human rights in business activities and do not allow our business partners to do so either. Mitsui Europe and other Mitsui offices will support this framework from a regional perspective.

Initiatives by Mitsui - As a subsidiary of Mitsui, Mitsui Europe directly or indirectly support Mitsui's group-wide initiatives to ascertain the degree of compliance with the Global Compact principles and other activities including, but not limited to,

Supplier Questionnaire Surveys - regular questionnaire surveys on selected major suppliers who handle products in high-risk business domains.

> Supplier On-Site Inspections – in-person interview with suppliers' management

and relevant members and on-site inspections of their facilities.

Internal Audits - internal audits including assessments of ESG aspects for business divisions, corporate staff divisions, and Mitsui's domestic and overseas offices and affiliate companies.

> ESG impact assessments – new business investment is subject to ESG impact assessments which cover aspects such as human rights, pollution prevention,

climate change, ecosystems and water stress.

Mitsui Europe may include Mitsui's Human Rights related provisions in purchase contracts in response to the growing importance of addressing social issues as a company, to make sure that all sellers comply with the United Nations Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights and Mitsui's Sustainable Supply Chain Policy, and respect internationally recognised human rights, including those represented in the International Bill of Human Rights and principles described in

the ILO Declaration on Fundamental Principles and Rights at Work.

We will continue to review our approach including training programme for better awareness and compliance.

7. Annual Review

This statement is produced in line with section 54 of the Modern Slavery Act and is for FYE March 2025. This Statement will be reviewed and updated annually.

The Board of Mitsui Europe approved this statement on 25<sup>th</sup> September 2025, and it is signed by our Managing Director, Yukinobu Nakano.

Yukinobu Nakano

Managing Director

Mitsui & Co. Europe Ltd