



Modern Slavery Statement

Background

This statement is made on behalf of the UK subsidiaries of Solvay S.A. of Belgium ('Solvay') for the financial year ending 31 December 2022. This includes: -

- 1) **Solvay Interlox Limited**; (01005238);
- 2) **Solvay Solutions UK Limited** (00036833); and
- 3) **Cytec Engineered Materials Limited** (02851421).

This statement is made under the provisions of the Modern Slavery Act 2015 (the 'Act') and with reference to the guidelines issued from time to time by the Home Office. It sets forth steps taken by Solvay during the financial year to minimise the risk of any slavery or human trafficking, (together, 'Modern Slavery') taking place in any part of its business or in any of its supply chains. Modern Slavery encompasses slavery, servitude, human trafficking and forced labour.

Solvay is strongly committed to ethical behaviour, sustainable development and responsible care in order to respond as a corporate citizen to the major challenges facing society and the communities in which Solvay operates.

Our commitment to combatting Modern Slavery

Solvay is committed to acting ethically, and to maintaining a fair and honest business environment for its employees, customers, suppliers and the public in general. This includes a commitment to respecting and supporting human rights with regard to its employees, the communities in which it operates and its business partners as expressed in the internationally recognized standards, many of which are referenced in Solvay's policies. Solvay operates a number of initiatives to combat Modern Slavery which are further explained below.

The [Solvay Code of Business Integrity](#) explains the manner in which Solvay behaves as an organisation and how all employees are expected to act wherever Solvay operates or conducts its business. The Solvay Code of Business Integrity focuses on both integrity and ethics. Solvay's 'Ethics and Integrity in Society as a Corporate Citizen' firmly establishes Solvay's commitment to respect human rights and to respect internationally recognized human rights standards and conventions, including the United Nations Universal Declaration of Human Rights, of which Solvay is a member signatory. The exclusion of child exploitation is explicitly recognized as a human rights standard applicable to Solvay's operations and in its value chain. Solvay does not tolerate the employment of children or forced labour and will take counter-measures to prevent human and/or sex trafficking. Solvay expects and requires that all of its business partners will respect and support these fundamental principles in the same manner.

As signatory to the Global Framework Agreement with the IndustriALL Global Union, Solvay further commits to safeguard human rights by respecting international social standards as defined by the International Labour Organization, to comply with the principles of the United Nations Global Compact and to respect the OECD's Guidelines for Multinational Enterprises. Solvay's commitment to human rights is also underlined in the [Solvay Human Rights in Business](#)

[Policy](#) which incorporates well-known internationally recognized standards as the UN Universal Declaration of Human Rights.

Solvay is committed to creating stable and reliable relationships with its suppliers based on shared values. Solvay has adopted a [Supplier Code of Business Integrity](#) which requires the written commitment of its suppliers to follow the Solvay Code of Business Integrity or to abide by their own code of conduct, on the condition that it provides the same guarantees as the Supplier Code of Business Integrity, as Solvay is determined to work only with suppliers who are engaged with similar ethical principles, including those to combat Modern Slavery.

The [Solvay Procurement Process](#) underlines Solvay's expectation of its suppliers and sub-contractors to respect Solvay's fundamental principles of sustainability. This Solvay Procurement Process also covers rigorous supplier assessments and selection methodology, including corporate social responsibility criteria. As a founding member of the Together for Sustainability (the "TfS") initiative established by multinational leading chemical companies, Solvay has joined forces to develop and implement a global supplier engagement program that assesses and audits sustainability sourcing practices through an independent process.

Solvay conducts its business with an established approach to corporate social responsibility and sustainability through its [Solvay One Planet](#) initiative which is inspired by the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals. Solvay is aligned with the ISO 26000 standard, which, amongst others, includes the elimination of child labour and forced labour as recognized basic human rights and highlights Solvay's drive for continuous improvement in its corporate social responsibility.

To further improve the efficiency of its compliance management system, Solvay operates a whistleblowing platform called 'Speak Up' to allow employees to raise concerns about how colleagues are being treated or practices within the business or supply chain, or any observed or suspected violations of the law or of Solvay's policies. Such reports are wholly confidential and any employee who makes a report in good faith will be protected from retaliation. Mandatory awareness and training campaigns regarding applicable legal rules and the policies in force in the Solvay Group, including topics such as human rights, are deployed for all employees.

Solvay endeavours to comply with all laws and regulations in effect in the jurisdictions in which it operates and to go beyond legal compliance when needed to meet the high ethical and moral standards reflected in our commitment to combatting modern slavery and human trafficking and in our commitment to corporate social responsibility.

Solvay's Response to Covid-19

Since the onset of the Covid-19 pandemic in early 2020, Solvay has had in place dedicated global and country teams responsible for assessing and implementing government measures, recommendations and guidelines to best protect its employees and the local communities where it operates, and to ensure business continuity.

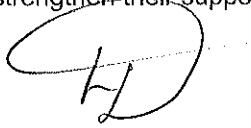
In line with those measures, in the UK Solvay has followed all relevant UK Government requirements and recommendations for the effective management of Covid-19 in the workplace.

Solvay has established rigorous health and safety restrictions. In particular:

- Solvay plants have put in place robust continuity plans, which include health education, hygienic practices and stringent epidemic prevention measures;
- Regular communications are carried out within Solvay to increase awareness and discipline for personal protection;

- Many of Solvay's sites have doctors and medical advisors who are available to guide Solvay employees and address questions; and
- In the UK Solvay sites have undertaken risk assessments in line with UK government and HSE guidance to ensure the health and safety of employees in the workplace.

Finally, in April 2020 Solvay created the Solvay Solidarity Fund (the "SSF") to provide additional support, both financial and non-financial, to any employee and dependents who may experience hardship due to the impact of the Covid-19 pandemic. In 2022, the SSF supported numerous projects across different countries such as assisting with ongoing Covid-19 research but also extending its reach to address and aid other hardships such as the Ukraine war. The SSF was able to help Solvay colleagues in Ukraine as well donate to the Belgian Red Cross crisis unit to help strengthen their support activities.



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