

QEMETICA companies (the "QEMETICA") place special emphasis on sustainable development and responsible business issues. We have defined our goals for environmental ("E"nvironmental), social ("S"ocial) and corporate governance ("G"overnance) factors as part of our business strategy for 2024-2029.

We are aware of our role in the local environment and the impact we have on the activities and lives of our stakeholders. We are also aware of our impact on the natural environment. Products manufactured by the QEMETICA contribute to the implementation of the UN Sustainable Development Goals, and our objective is to focus on strengthening positive, and reducing negative, effects of our operations.

We strive towards the long-term, sustainable development of the QEMETICA, which will benefit all our stakeholders: employees, customers, suppliers, neighbours, owners, as well as future generations. We collaborate with people, institutions and organisations that share our approach to doing business.

Accordingly, we expect our business partners to help us achieve our sustainable development and responsible business conduct objectives and to identify with the values and principles we have adopted.



**QEMETICA**'s Values are at the very core of all our activities:

## Doing the right thing

By working to build value for our clients, both internal and external. We care about the company's good results and that is why we keep our commitments, taking full responsibility for our tasks and we act in the spirit of an entrepreneur, taking care of the company as if it were our own.

# **Work together**

By always communicating with positive intention, sharing and asking for feedback, talking kindly and treating each other with respect. We support and benefit from diversity and are able to challenge each other constructively, appreciating each other every day.

# **Going beyond**

By ensuring that each of us takes care of our own safety and good energy to act, in order to build openness to change, courageously challenge the status quo and look for the best solutions to find job satisfaction and act with passion.

## **General part**

The Code of the Business Partner of the QEMETICA (the "Code") sets the minimum standards of conduct for:

- a. business partners of the QEMETICA companies ("Business Partners"), in particular: suppliers, contractors, distributors, recipients, sellers, service providers, other counterparties and
- b. entities with the help of which Business Partners perform business tasks in relation to the companies of the Qemetica Group ("Subcontractors").

Business Partners and Subcontractors shall be hereinafter collectively referred to as "Partners".

The condition for starting and continuing the business relationship of a QEMETICA company with Partners is confirmation by the Partners and adoption of the principles set out in the Code. The provisions of the Code apply to the company, members of governing bodies, employees and associates of our Partners.



## 1. Human rights and labour standards

## **Human rights**

We expect our Partners to observe human rights, both in the context of working conditions of their employees and in business. All employees and associates of our Partners are treated in a fair, respectful and dignified manner.

#### **Occupational Health and Safety**

We expect our Partners to provide their employees and associates with a safe workplace and comply with all applicable occupational health and safety standards and regulations. All employees and associates receive the adequate workplace instructions, incl. information on the OHS conditions and requirements, protective measures, and they are provided with appropriate training. Our ultimate goal is zero accidents/injuries at work.

## No discrimination

We expect our Partners not to discriminate, or tolerate any form of discrimination, against any person based on their gender, race, ethnicity, nationality, religion, beliefs, disability, age, sexual orientation, health, political beliefs, marital status or membership in organisations.

#### No mobbing

We expect our Partners not to use, or tolerate any forms of, mobbing, harassment, incl. sexual harassment, and to have implemented procedures preventing any type of unlawful behaviour.

#### Prohibition of forced and slave labour

We expect our Partners not to use any form of slave or forced labour, both in Poland and abroad. The work carried out by our Partners' employees is undertaken voluntarily and may be terminated by them on this basis.

#### No child labour

We expect our Partners not to use child labour in any form and to contribute to the actual abolition of any form of juvenile labour. When and if we employ any young people, their engagement with our companies complies with the law.

#### **Right of association**

We expect our Partners to recognise the employees' right to associate and organise, and respect this right.

#### No tolerance for alcohol and intoxicants in the workplace

We expect our Partners to not tolerate the presence of any alcohol and intoxicants in the workplace.

## 2. Respect for the natural environment

#### Counteracting climate changes caused by greenhouse gas emissions

We expect our Partners and their suppliers to counteract climate changes caused by greenhouse gas emissions, among others, by reducing these emissions and increasing the efficiency of energy use. We have adopted ambitious decarbonisation targets to slow down and ultimately stop the negative climate changes caused by the emission of greenhouse gases into the atmosphere – we intend to achieve carbon neutrality by 2040.

#### Minimising significant environmental risks

We expect our Partners to minimise other risks related to environmental and climate protection, among others, by reducing other harmful emissions, protecting water quality and resources, pursuing a policy of rational waste management and thus striving to ensure that their economic and social activity is environmentally and climate-friendly and contributes to the prevention and reduction of any negative phenomena in its functioning

#### Compliance with environmental laws and regulations

We expect our Partners to comply with the provisions of environmental protection law, in particular, to have all permits and licences required by law and related to their operations, and to fulfil all operational and reporting obligations resulting therefrom.

## 3. Conducting economic activity

#### **Ethical conduct of operations**

We expect our Partners to apply the principles of ethical conduct in each area of their business and to strive to implement solutions that build awareness of ethical principles of conduct in the workplace among their employees and associates..

#### **Compliance with law**

We expect our partners to apply all applicable, local and international, laws. In cases where local law is less restrictive than this Code, we expect our Partners to follow the rules provided for in this Code.

#### Fair competition and antitrust laws

We expect our Partners to act in compliance with all applicable competition protection regulations, for example, by abstaining from dumping prices, price fixing or other unlawful arrangements.

#### **Compliance with international sanctions**

We expect our Partners to comply with international sanctions imposed on countries, economic operators or natural persons, and not to conduct any economic activity violating international restrictions.

## Zero tolerance for fraud and corruption

We expect our Partners to apply a zero-tolerance policy to any fraud and corruption, regardless of its form. Our partners may not, directly or indirectly, offer or accept any undue advantage or promise thereof, including material, financial and personal benefits, unauthorised gifts, etc., in exchange for a specific act or omission.

#### Honesty in commercial activities

We expect our Partners to show honesty in their business activities, and as part of their daily duties, in relations with their customers, counterparties, suppliers and associates.

#### Information security

We expect our Partners to implement and maintain high information security standards to enable us to effectively protect confidential information, including any trade/business secrets.

#### **Counteracting conflicts of interest**

We expect our Partners to avoid and counteract any conflict of interest that could weaken their credibility, or our trust, or the trust of third parties in the QEMETICA companies. We expect our Partners to report any situations that may indicate a conflict of interest and any cases in which employees or individuals representing the QEMETICA companies participate in the Partner's enterprise or are in any way related to them.

## 4. Collaboration for sustainable development

We encourage our Partners to work together in order to achieve the goals and strengthen the values described in the Code, in particular, in the area of exchanging experience, best practices and implementing joint activities and projects. We are convinced that the Sustainable Development Goals can only be attained if all interested parties actively collaborate with one another.

#### 5. Audits

We reserve the right to verify compliance with the standards defined in the Code using internal or external control mechanisms and to request changes that have been identified during conducted audits.

## 6. Reporting violations

We expect our Partners to report any suspected violations of the Code. Please report any violations to a person designated by the QEMETICA or by using one of the available anonymous channels:

- (i) notification by telephone by calling: 22 639 17 99,
- (ii) email notification to the following address: compliance@qemetica.com,
- (iii) personal or written/letter notification: Compliance of the QEMETICA, ul. Wspólna 62, 00-684 Warszawa.