

MODERN SLAVERY STATEMENT

This statement has been published in accordance with the Modern Slavery Act 2015. It sets out the steps taken by Coca-Cola European Partners (CCEP) during the year ending 31 December 2017 to prevent modern slavery and human trafficking in our business and supply chain.

Coca-Cola European Partners is one of Europe's

LEADING CONSUMER GOODS COMPANIES.

We sell, make and distribute drinks to over



300m
CONSUMERS




13
COUNTRIES IN
WESTERN EUROPE

— APPROXIMATELY —

23,500
EMPLOYEES



20,000
SUPPLIERS ACROSS
OUR MARKETS



2.5bn
UNIT CASES SOLD
IN 2017

Introduction

We consider human and workplace rights – as articulated in the United Nations' Universal Declaration of Human Rights, and the International Labour Organization's Declaration on Fundamental Principles and Rights at Work – to be inviolable. Respect for human rights is fundamental to the sustainability of Coca-Cola European Partners and the communities in which we operate. We are committed to ensuring that all people are treated with dignity and respect.

We support the 10 principles of the UN Global Compact, and take a proactive approach to respecting these rights in our workplace, in our supply chain, and in the communities in which we operate. We provide a safe and healthy workplace and comply with applicable health and safety laws, regulations and internal requirements.

We have a zero-tolerance approach to Modern Slavery of any kind within our operations and supply chain. Together with The Coca-Cola Company – we expressly prohibit any form of human trafficking within our system or by any company that directly supplies or provides services to our business. We prohibit the use of all forms of forced labour, including prison labour, indentured labour, bonded labour, military labour, slave labour and any form of human trafficking within our company and by any company that directly supplies or provides services to our business.

Our business

CCEP is one of Europe's leading consumer goods companies. We sell, make and distribute drinks to over 300 million consumers, across 13 countries in Western Europe. CCEP was formed in May 2016 through a merger between the bottling operations of Coca-Cola Enterprises, Inc., Coca-Cola Iberian Partners S.A.U. and Coca-Cola Erfrischungsgetränke GmbH.

We have approximately 23,500 highly engaged employees who have local knowledge of our customers and market-place.

Our supply chain

Our suppliers are critical partners for our business. We believe collaboration and innovation throughout our supply chain are essential in advancing our sustainable growth. We source products from over 16,000 suppliers, and spent €5.2 million with them in 2017.

Our procurement covers commodities and services such as ingredients, packaging, energy, capital equipment, building and facilities, fleet and logistics, sales and marketing, IT, telecoms, general administration and professional services. On average, 76.6% of our spend is with suppliers in our countries of origin.

We purchase the entire requirement of our concentrates and syrups for Coca-Cola trademark beverages from The Coca-Cola Company. Many of the purchases of our key agricultural ingredients, such as sugar and juices, are done together with The Coca-Cola Company, and other Coca-Cola bottlers. As a result, we address many of the issues that we face in our supply chain, including that of Modern Slavery, as a joint Coca-Cola system. In particular, in partnership with The Coca-Cola Company, we have developed Supplier Guiding Principles (SGPs) and Sustainable Agriculture Guiding Principles (SAGPs). Our SGPs and SAGPs apply to all of our suppliers, including for those non-Coca-Cola Company brands that we produce and distribute, such as Capri-Sun and our energy brands.

Supplier Guiding Principles (SGPs)

Our SGPs, which are built into all new supplier contracts, outline minimum requirements for all of our suppliers. They address the following key areas:

- Laws and regulations
- Child labour
- Forced labour
- Freedom of association and collective bargaining
- Abuse of labour
- Discrimination
- Wages and benefits
- Work hours and overtime
- Health and safety
- Environment
- Demonstration of compliance

Sustainable Agriculture Guiding Principles (SAGPs)

Developed in partnership with The Coca-Cola Company, our SAGPs cover the Coca-Cola system's key agricultural ingredients, and define the standards we expect our agricultural commodity suppliers to adhere to in terms of human and workplace rights, the environment, and management systems. Amongst others, these SAGPs cover the following areas:

- Human and workplace rights
- Freedom of association and collective bargaining
- Prohibit child labour, forced labour and abuse of labour
- Eliminate discrimination
- Work hours and wages
- Safe and healthy workplace
- Community and traditional rights

Policies

In 2017, we launched a joint sustainability strategy with The Coca-Cola Company in Western Europe, called This is Forward. As part of this strategy, we have made a commitment to ensure that 100% of our main agricultural ingredients and raw materials come from sustainable sources by 2020, and to continue to embed sustainability, ethics and human rights within our supply chain.

We uphold our sustainability standards through our Human Rights Policy, Code of Conduct (COC), Supplier Guiding Principles, and Sustainable Agriculture Guiding Principles.

Human Rights Policy

Our human rights policy is aligned to that of The Coca-Cola Company. It expressly prohibits the use of all forms of child labour and forced labour – including prison labour, indentured labour, bonded labour, military labour, slave labour and any form of human trafficking. The policy is guided by international human rights principles encompassed in the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, the International Labour Organisation's Declaration on Fundamental Principles and Rights at Work, the United Nations Global Compact and the United Nations Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights. The policy provides a consistent approach to workplace rights worldwide and embeds it as an integral part of our culture, strategy and day-to-day operations.

Code of Conduct (COC)

One of the cornerstones of a strong Ethics and Compliance programme is a company's Code of Conduct, which applies to all employees and holds specific ethics and compliance standards to address ethical, legal and regulatory concerns in the everyday practices of the company.

In 2017, our Board of Directors approved a new CCEP Code of Conduct (Code). The Code covers items including share dealing, anti-corruption, data protection, environmental regulation and managing gifts and entertainment. It aligns to the UN Global Compact, the US Foreign Corrupt Practices Act, the UK Bribery Act, the UK Corporate Governance Code and Sapin II. CCEP's Code of Conduct will apply to all employees, following consultation with works councils in each of the countries where we operate. We also expect our customers and suppliers to respect the business principles in our Code, and we reflect and communicate these principles to our suppliers through our Supplier Guiding Principles. In 2017, we received no fines for Code violations. Violations of the Code, by type, can be found in our [2017 Stakeholder Progress Report data table](#).

Following the launch of the Code in each country where it has been approved by local works councils, employees were provided with easy access to the Code through our internal and external websites. We also included the updated Code in our Code of Conduct training, and where feasible, a hard copy of our Code was provided.

Employees in the countries where the Code has been approved will begin to receive Code training throughout 2018. Where applicable to their role, employees may also receive specific training on certain topics, for example, share dealing, anti-corruption or data privacy.

At CCEP, retaliation against anyone for whistle-blowing, including making a genuine report, or for cooperation in an investigation is prohibited. In each of our territories, we have established a way for employees to raise concerns about breaches to the applicable code. This includes channels for employees to contact a line manager, or to share information through our dedicated [Speak Up](#) channels. Potential violations of our Code are dealt with by local Committees, chaired by the VP Legal for each business unit, overseen by the company-wide Code of Conduct Committee which is chaired by the Chief Compliance Officer. An overview of all reported incidents is provided to the Audit Committee.

Supplier Guiding Principles (SGPs)

Our SGPs are aligned with those of the Coca-Cola system. These set out the minimum requirements we expect of our suppliers in areas such as workplace policies and practices, health and safety, human rights, environmental protection and business integrity. These SGPs reflect our commitment to respect human rights across our business system and global supply chain. We work with suppliers to build SGPs into all new contracts and into multi-year contracts as they renew. In addition, we have amended our standard supplier contracts to include specific anti-slavery obligations on suppliers, including the express undertaking that neither the supplier nor any other person in its supply chain uses (or has attempted to use) trafficked, bonded, child or forced labour. Any breach of this undertaking enables CCEP to immediately terminate the supply agreement. All procurement managers working directly with suppliers are provided with training on our SGPs when they begin their roles, and this information is refreshed on a regular basis.

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Audit processes

We expect our suppliers to develop and implement appropriate internal business processes to ensure compliance with the SGPs. As part of the Coca-Cola system, we have relied on independent audits commissioned by The Coca-Cola Company to monitor supplier compliance with the SGPs. The assessments generally include confidential interviews with employees and on-site contract workers. These audits include checks to ensure suppliers are not using child labour, forced labour, or any form of modern slavery, amongst the other covered areas of our SGPs. In 2017, 95% of our packaging and ingredients suppliers were covered by SGP audits.

The Coca-Cola Company is a member of the AIM- PROGRESS forum, a global forum promoting responsible sourcing practices and the harmonisation of supplier audits as a way of reducing duplication and costs for suppliers. The SGPs have been benchmarked against other members protocols and are recognised by AIM-PROGRESS members through a framework called Mutual Recognition.

SGP audits are aligned with AIM-PROGRESS and are recognised by its members. Similarly, we recognise audits carried out on behalf of other signatory companies. If a supplier fails to uphold any aspect of the SGP requirements, the supplier is expected to implement corrective actions. The Coca-Cola Company reserves the right to conduct unannounced audits at their discretion and to terminate an agreement with any supplier that cannot demonstrate that it is upholding the SGP requirement, including if it is found to be engaging in modern slavery. Our employees are required to report any violation of our policies and laws, including our SGPs, SAGPs and COC.

Risk and risk mitigation

Modern Slavery has been assessed as a part of our corporate Enterprise Risk Management process, and responsibility for managing its risk sits with a designated risk owner.

Due to the human resources policies, governance and controls within our own operations – including our offices, manufacturing, distribution, and sales functions – there is a low risk of an incidence of child labour or any form of forced labour within our own operations.

We also employ contract labour within our operations – including temporary labour within our manufacturing operations and sales teams, consultancy and temporary contracts in our head offices, and third-party contractors for services such as cleaning. While these areas are not under our direct control, and therefore carry a higher risk of non-compliance; all contract labour procurement is governed by our SGPs.

Our standard supplier contractual agreement terms have been amended to include obligations on suppliers to comply with the Modern Slavery Act. We train our employees to ensure they understand the risks associated with contract labour and to carefully manage the labour agencies engaged. We also require them to provide training, a safe work environment and to avoid using termination practices that circumvent legal obligations. We work with suppliers to build SGPs into all new contracts and into multi-year contracts as they renew. From 2017, we have built the SGPs into our purchase order process, so that even informal suppliers need to comply with these requirements. 80% of our spending with tier 1 suppliers was covered by our SGPs in 2017.

Our Human Rights Policy and SGPs outline our commitments and expectations for treatment of all workers. Any allegation of worker abuse - including abuse of contract labourers - is a very serious issue that we fully investigate. We conduct continuous assessments of our operations and of key authorised contract labour suppliers to ensure the responsible treatment of contract labourers. We utilise The Coca-Cola Company's contract labour risk-mitigation checklists and other tools to help us manage contract labour appropriately.

Our biggest potential exposure to Modern Slavery is within our key agricultural ingredient supply chains, and within the supply chains for some of our packaging materials. We are currently reviewing the risk for modern slavery, forced labour and child labour through an EcoVadis commodity assessment, and will be developing supplier-specific action plans based upon the assessment outcomes. As we source these ingredients and materials primarily together with The Coca-Cola Company, we are working with them to source 100% of our key agricultural ingredients sustainably by 2020.

We track whether our key agricultural ingredients and raw materials are sourced sustainably through compliance with our SAGPs, which includes prohibitions on modern slavery, forced labour, and child labour. We work together with third-party partners, such as The Rainforest Alliance, the Sustainable Agricultural Initiative Platform (SAI), Bonsucro, FSC, and UTZ, amongst others, to develop pathways to compliance for our main agricultural suppliers; and to track progress.

Modern slavery training

Each of the legacy businesses which make up CCEP had existing training programmes covering their **respective COCs, SGPs and SAGPs**. All procurement managers who interact with suppliers are given training on SGPs and SAGPs, and these are refreshed regularly. Following the launch of our new Code of Conduct in each country where it has been approved by local works councils, employees received an introductory video, and copies of the Code. Employees in these countries will also begin to receive Code training throughout 2018.

Steps taken in 2017 to prevent modern slavery in our supply chain

Our standard supplier contractual agreement terms have been amended to include obligations on suppliers to comply with the Modern Slavery Act.

We also track our suppliers' compliance with our SAGPs which includes prohibitions on modern slavery, forced labour, and child labour, through third party certification processes. With The Coca-Cola Company, we are working to help the suppliers of our key agricultural ingredients comply with all aspects of our SAGPs – including those covering human and workplace rights, including modern slavery. In particular:

- **Sugar:** Most of the sugar we use at CCEP comes from sugar beet grown in North West Europe and Spain. In partnership with The Coca-Cola Company, we offer several routes by which beet sugar suppliers can comply with the SAGPs and meet third-party standards. Our preferred method is the [SAI's Farm Sustainability Assessment \(FSA\)](#) whereby farmers can self-assess the sustainability of their agricultural practices against a range of environmental, social and economic indicators. In 2017, 83% of our sugar volumes (including the small amount of cane we use) were certified as compliant with our SAGPs.
- **Pulp, Paper and Cardboard:** Pulp and paper are used in much of our packaging and point-of-sale material. Suppliers can attain a Sustainable Forest Management accreditation such as the Forest Stewardship Council (FSC) or a certification endorsed by the Programme for the Endorsement of Forest Certification (PEFC). The FSC-certified logo, or those from the PEFC, represent a global chain of custody system, supported by a chain of custody certification process and independent inspections. Every new paper, pulp and cardboard contract now includes a requirement for third-party certification and suppliers have until 2020 to comply. Card and board used for packaging makes up the majority of our pulp and paper, and in 2017, 94% of our cardboard for secondary and tertiary packaging suppliers were certified as SAGP compliant.
- **Coffee and Tea:** We source tea and coffee for our Honest, Fuze tea and Chaqwa brands, and work with The Coca-Cola Company to ensure compliance with our SAGPs. In 2017, more than 95% of the sourced coffee and tea met The Coca-Cola Company's required sustainable sourcing standards, with the majority adhering to the Company's SAGPs. This means that Coca-Cola is purchasing these products from farm locations and suppliers that meet one of the following standards: Ethical Tea Partnership, Rainforest Alliance, UTZ, Fairtrade, SAI Platform, 4C*, or SAGP audit or validation.
- **Juices (see case study):** For orange, lemon and apple juice, we're working with The Coca-Cola Company, our juice suppliers and other third-party frameworks to establish programmes to ensure compliance with our SAGPs. In particular, we work with partners such as the SAI to improve the sustainability of our juice supply. We expect all of our juice suppliers to comply with our SAGPs by 2020.

Assessment of effectiveness in preventing modern slavery

We will continue to review our approach to Modern Slavery in the year ahead, and will report on our progress in future Modern Slavery Statements.

This statement was approved by the Boards of Coca-Cola European Partners plc and Coca-Cola European Partners Great Britain Limited.

Signed



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