

# ASSOCIATION MONTESSORI INTERNATIONALE Founded by Dr Maria Montessori in 1929

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## **ANTI-SLAVERY POLICY**

#### **PREAMBLE**

Modern slavery encompasses slavery, forced and compulsory labour, and human trafficking whereby individuals are deprived of their freedom and are exploited for commercial or personal gain. The Kingdom of the Netherlands has no Modern Slavery Act but follows the text of the Protocol to the Forced Labour Convention, 1930 as written and accepted during the 103rd session of the Governing Body of the International Labour Office in 2014.

### INTRODUCTION

Whilst the AMI is not required to publish an annual slavery and human trafficking statement, it is committed to a zero-tolerance approach to modern slavery and to acting with integrity in all its dealings, relationships, and supply chains. It expects the same high standards from all its staff, suppliers, contractors, and those with whom it does business. This policy applies to all employees, workers, consultants, and other persons doing business with AMI including contractors, and suppliers.

### **POLICY MEASURES**

AMI acknowledges the risk that a supply chain may involve the use of a hidden or unknown subcontractor reliant on forced labour. Although AMI as a global association considers the risk of modern slavery to be low due to the nature of its work and supply chains, it takes its responsibilities to combat modern slavery seriously as demonstrated by its promotion and adoption of the following policy measures:

- The prevention, detection, and reporting of modern slavery in any part of its business or supply chains is the responsibility of all those working for the AMI or under its control.
- Appropriate due diligence processes must be carried out in relation to modern slavery, which may
  include considering human rights in a sector or country, the type of sector in which a service provider
  operates, the countries from which services are provided, the nature of relationships with suppliers,
  and the complexity of supply chain(s).
- All supply chain lines need to be risk assessed and managed in relation to modern slavery.
- AMI encourages anyone to raise any concerns about modern slavery and will support anyone who
  acts in good faith. There is a whistle-blowing policy which can be used to report any instances of
  modern slavery.
- Wherever possible, AMI will obtain warranties from major suppliers with which it deals that they are free of modern slavery.

Any breaches of this policy may result in AMI taking disciplinary action against individual(s) and/or terminating its relationship with any organisation or supplier.

## **ANNUAL REVIEW**

We are committed to reviewing our policies and good practice annually.

This policy was last reviewed on 5 July 2019.

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