**Arcelik** 



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Through this Policy, Arçelik aims to declare its commitment to prohibiting bribery and corruption and to be in compliance with applicable anti-bribery laws and guiding for identifying and avoiding potential bribery and corruption actions to preserve its integrity and reputation.

### 1. **DEFINITIONS**

**Bribery:** A propose to give or receive "anything of value" with the aim to corruptly influence or obtain improper advantage over a business transaction or relationship.

a.Improper advantage is an advantage to which Arçelik and/or its business partners are not explicitly entitled.

b.Corruptly influence means providing an offer, payment, or promise with the aim of impacting others to take advantage of their official position for Arçelik's or one of Arçelik's business partner's benefit.

**Business Courtesy:** A Business Courtesy is any kind of gift or hospitality (meal, travel or hospitality) provided for a business purpose or associated with a business event.

**Charitable Contributions:** Voluntary contributions to any organization, either in kind or in cash without expecting any benefit.

**Facilitation Payment:** In order to expedite a routine service it is an unofficial, improper, small payment made to secure or accelerate the legitimate operation of the paying party.

**Sponsorship:** Any action which is to make any cash or non-cash payment for the activities that are organized by an individual, professional organization or entity with an expectation that it will provide benefit for Arçelik.

**The UN Global Compact:** is a global pact initiated by the United Nations (UN) to encourage businesses worldwide to adopt sustainable and socially responsible policies, and to report on their implementation. The UN Global Compact is a principle-based framework for businesses, stating ten principles in the areas of human rights, labour, the environment and anti-corruption.

**Public Official:** It is broadly defined to involve a variety of individuals, including but not limited to the followings:

- Employees working at government bodies (such as public officials, policemen)
- Employees of government business enterprises
- Employees of political parties, political candidates
- Any person who is at a legislative, administrative or judicial position in a country
- Any person who fulfils a public service for a country
- Judges, jury members or other officials who work at international or supranational courts or foreign state courts;
- Members of the international or supranational parliaments; individuals who carry out a public duty for a foreign country, including public institutions or public enterprises;
- A citizen or foreign arbitrators who have been entrusted with a task within the arbitration procedure resorted to in order to resolve a legal dispute;
- Officials or representatives working at international or supranational organizations that have been established based on an international agreement.



#### Forms of Value:

The following examples run the risk of being perceived as potentially providing improper benefits;

- Gifts, Hospitality<sup>1</sup>
- Hiring Family Members of Public Officials
- Donations, sponsorships and other Types of Value (Tickets for sports activities, rebates, samples, free goods, and other trade and merchandising programs.)

Politically Exposed Persons: refers to individuals who are or have been entrusted with prominent public functions, senior politicians, senior government, judicial or military officials, senior executives of state-owned corporations, important political party officials, senior management of the international organizations, and family members and close associates of such persons

### 2. GENERAL PRINCIPLES

Arçelik, which is affiliated with Koç Holding A.Ş., is a signatory party to the UN Global Compact, by which it is aimed to work against corruption and bribery all over the world. Within this view, Arçelik does not permit or accept the bribery in any form. Independent from local practices or regulations, Arcelik does not tolerate any kind of bribes, corrupt payments, facilitation payments, or inappropriate gifts and entertainment to anyone involved in Arçelik's business cycle.

Arçelik acts in compliance with all applicable anti-bribery laws, including the U.S. Foreign Corrupt Practices Act ("FCPA"), the U.K. Bribery Act ("UKBA"), and the local laws in every country in which Arçelik operates.

Legal and Compliance Directorate defines anti-bribery-related trainings on an annual basis to Arçelik employees and monitors their completion without delay.

Incompliant actions may result Arcelik to be punished through several measures including but not limited to the followings: invalidation of the licenses granted by the public authorities; seizure of the goods which are used in the commitment of, or the resultof, a crime by the representatives of a legal entity; Administrative and/or penal sanctions on Arçelik employees and seizure of financial benefits arising from or provided for the commitment of a crime, and most importantly, exposes firstly Arcelik and Koc Group to significant reputational harm.

This Policy can be supplemented with the local obligations which are more stringent than the obligations stated in this Policy to comply with local laws or regulations.

#### 3. RULES

# a. Gifts, Meals, Travel and Hospitality

Providing or accepting gifts, meals, travel, or entertainment to effect any party inappropriately, especially a Public Official, in exchange for any improper benefit is strictly prohibited. Under some specific conditions, providing gift to a Public Official or accepting a gift from a third party may be allowable as described in Global Gift and Hospitality Policy<sup>2</sup>.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> See Global Gift and Hospitality Policy.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> See Global Gift and Hospitality Policy.



### b. Hiring or Engaging Public Officials

Employment decisions must be based on virtue and this should not inappropriately influence Public Officials. There must be approval before proceeding with the recruiting process, if a known family member or designee of a Public Official is seeking employment at Arçelik.

Public Officials and Politically Exposed Persons can be hired or engaged to perform services that have a legitimatebusiness purpose by Arçelik, provided that:

- There is no expectation that the person is being retained by the Company in exchange for any improper action or business advantage from the government,
- The person/s is/are objectively qualified enough in terms of the criteria required for the related position,
- The salary or fees are reasonable and consistent with the work and the related person's professional qualifications,
- Prior approval is obtained from the Sustainability and Corporate Affairs Directorate and Chief Legal and Compliance Officer.

Arçelik's employees and business partners are prohibited from making facilitation payments on behalf of a Arcelik.

## c. Grants, Donations and Sponsoring

Providing a grant/donation/ sponsorship to improperly effect a Public Official, or inreturn of any improper favor is prohibited by this Policy.

Providing a donation to any political party on behalf of Arcelik or under any other name, in kind, or in cash is prohibited. Donations and Sponsorships can only be made in line with the rules and principles set forth in the Arçelik Global Donation and Sponsorship Policy.

## d. Third Party Relationships

Applicable laws regarding bribery and corruption do not permit any kind of improper payments made directly by Company employees or indirectly through an agent, consultant, distributor, or any other third-party representative acting for or on behalf of Arçelik (collectively, "Third Parties").

Third Parties must be in accordance with this Policy, at all times. To mitigate the risk of bribery and corruption, a risk-based due diligence on third parties must be conducted, both before and throughout the business relationship. The risk based due diligence on prospective joint venture partners, acquisition targets, and other strategic investments must be conducted to mitigate corruption related risks.

Arçelik must engage Third Parties only if;

- a legitimate business need is in place for the services or the goods provided,
- the price of the services and goods are not above market value,
- the Third Party is evaluated as appropriate after application of due diligence process from an anti-bribery and corruption perspective.

No relationship should be established with a Third Party who has or will have a substantive interaction with Public Officials on behalf of Arcelik without an inquiry into the third party's background, qualifications and reputation.

A written contract made with Third Parties acting on behalf of Arçelik including an appropriate language regarding all applicable anti-bribery and corruption laws should be in place.



## e. Transparency and Accuracy of the Books and Records

The failure to keep accurate and transparent books and financial records breaches many countries' laws even when no bribery action is in place. Thus, for each transaction, principles regarding internal controls, financial reporting, document retention should be taken into consideration and it should be ensured that Arçelik demonstrate its compliance with anti-bribery laws and regulations. To this end;

 All kinds of accounts, invoices and other documents created from dealing with third parties (customers, suppliers, etc.) should be recorded to the books, timely and accurately, including clear explanations so that a third party reviewer can be able to understand the business rationale behind the transactions,

Any alteration falsifying the nature of any transaction is prohibited on accounting or similar commercial records.

#### 4. AUTHORITY AND RESPONSIBILITIES

This Policy is published by Arçelik Legal and Compliance Directorate, and the Companyis responsible for ensuring the compliance with the Policy by all its employees. In addition, regarding the Company's position for corrective and/or preventative actions, including termination of employment, against any non-compliant behaviors should be considered regularly via related parties.

If you become aware of any action you believe to be inconsistent with this Policy, the applicable law or Arçelik Global Code of Conduct, you may report the incident to to the Compliance Officers via:

Web: www.ethicsline.net

You may reach the Ethics Hotline Numbers from the web page below; https://www.arcelikglobal.com/en/company/about-us/global-code-of-conduct/

Compliance Officers are employees of the Company appointed by the Chief Legal and Compliance Officer of Arcelik as being responsible for monitoring the Company's operations pertaining to this Policy.

If there is a discrepancy between the local regulations, applicable in the countries where Arçelik operates, and this Policy, subject to such practice not being a violation of the relevant local laws and regulations, the stricter of the two, supersede.

Violation of this Policy may result in significant disciplinary actions including dismissal. If this Policy is violated by third parties, their contracts may be terminated.

This Policy will be periodically reviewed by the Arçelik Legal and Compliance Directorate to ensure compliance with new or revised laws and regulations.

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