

## **Modern Slavery Act 2015 Statement**

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McBains is a leading property and construction consultancy with operations across the UK and Greece, offering multi-disciplinary services in the built environment.

McBains fully support the UK government's objectives to eradicate modern slavery and human trafficking. We are committed to the highest ethical standards and sound governance arrangements and we endorse a zero-tolerance approach.

This statement supplements our policy and details our activities and actions towards our supply chain to support this government initiative.

### **Steps Taken**

We have:

- Introduced an Anti-Slavery and Human Trafficking policy;
- Communicated the policy and details of the Act to our staff and supply chain;
- Included a contractual requirement within our supply chain to comply with the Act; and
- Made training available to our staff.

### **Our Policies**

We have appropriate policies in place that underpin our commitment to ensure that there is no modern slavery or human trafficking in our supply chains or in any part of our business. We continuously review and update all our policies.

Our Anti-slavery Policy reflects our commitment to acting ethically and with integrity in all our business relationships and to implementing and enforcing effective systems and controls to ensure slavery and human trafficking is not taking place anywhere in our supply chains.

### **Due Diligence Processes**

As part of our initiative to identify and mitigate risk we have in place systems to:

- Identify and assess potential risk areas in our supply chains;
- Identify measures taken by members of our supply chain to mitigate the risk of slavery and human trafficking occurring;
- Protect whistle blowers

### **Our Supply Chains**

Our supply chains include subcontractors and sub-consultants who assist our activities, and suppliers that support our key business functions.

We expect our supply chain to be:

- Fully compliant with the Act;
- Fully transparent, accountable and auditable; and
- Free from ethical ambiguities

## Supplier Adherence

We have zero tolerance to slavery and human trafficking. To ensure all those in our supply chain and contractors comply with our values and ethics we have in place a rigorous supply chain compliance programme. This consists of:

- Due diligence;
- Compliance reviews and audit;
- Contractual obligations.

We also have a dedicated compliance team, that involves the following departments:

- Legal;
- Audit and compliance;
- Human resources; and
- Business Development.

## Our Training


To ensure a high level of understanding of the risks of modern slavery and human trafficking in our supply chains and our business, we provide training to our staff.

## Our Effectiveness

We will monitor concerns raised by any parties and implement rigorous investigations if any reports are made.

This statement is made pursuant to section 54(1) of the Modern Slavery Act 2015 and constitutes our slavery and human trafficking statement for the financial years ending 2023 for the company and all its subsidiaries.

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**Managing Director**

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Date 11/07/24 .....

On behalf of McBains  
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