# Code of Ethics and Conduct



We, the management of INOTECH Kunststofftechnik GmbH, are convinced that compliance with ethical values is necessary for long-term economic success. This includes fair dealings and conduct with one another within the framework of the specified standards in day-to-day business. We consider the success of our customers to be the key to achieving long-term and sustainable business success and steady growth, and consider that it goes without saying that the requirements of all interest groups should be met in the process.

As the management, we take our responsibility for a sustainable business strategy and its appropriate implementation very seriously. Integrity and compliance with the laws and ethical principles are a key element here to preserve the authenticity of our company.

This **INOTECH Code of Ethics and Conduct** defines how we conduct our business in an ethical and socially responsible manner. In combination with the management handbook, standards and instructions which ensure respectful and dignified treatment of our employees, safe working conditions, and sustainable environmental practices are defined.

### This Code of Conduct contains the following:

- How our management perceives its responsibility,
- How we interact with our employees and colleagues,
- What behaviour customers can expect from us,
- How we interact with our suppliers, and
- How we behave when dealing with communities and the environment.

Each manager and each individual employee is responsible for behaving in accordance with this Code of Conduct. Our managers act as role models because they exemplify the principles of conduct and endeavour to ensure that they are implemented in all situations.

#### **Human rights**

We respect and promote the dignity of each individual and support the protection of and compliance with international human rights. It goes without saying for us that we do not use child labour and reject all forms of forced labour. We refuse to tolerate any working conditions which are in conflict with international or local laws and practices.

#### **Discrimination**

We do not tolerate any form of discrimination in hiring, remuneration, training opportunities, promotion, dismissal, or retirement on the basis of our employees' race, ethnic origin, gender, age, marital status, religion or world view, disability, pregnancy, sexual orientation, membership of a trade union, or membership of a political party and naturally also require our employees to resolutely oppose such discrimination.

#### **Disciplinary measures**

We oppose the use of corporal punishment, mental or physical coercion, and verbal insults.

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## **Employee motivation & training**

We consider motivated employees and their identification with our company's aims to be a significant factor for success. Support for our employees is therefore particularly emphasised in the management handbook. In the process, we concentrate on job-specific training which is applicable within the company, as well as on the development and promotion of future management potential.

## **Health & safety**

The health and safety of our employees is protected to the greatest degree possible through the provision of a healthy and safe working environment. Each individual contributes to a safe and healthy working environment through compliance with the safety regulations which apply within our company. We also offer our employees a voluntary health programme, as well as training in all health and safety-related fields. The occupational health physician is available to employees during working hours.

### Compliance with cartel & competition law regulations

With our high-quality products, innovative solutions, and our reliability, we measure ourselves openly and fairly on the global markets. In the process, we do not engage in any unlawful or criminal practices, such as bid rigging for example, which exclude, distort, or limit competition in any manner.

## **Conflicts of interest & bribery/corruption**

All of our employees avoid situations in which their personal or financial interests come into conflict with the company's interests. In particular, they are prohibited here from being involved with competitors, customers, or suppliers' companies or entering into business relationships with them in a private sphere if this would result in a conflict of interest. Such a conflict of interest always occurs if the type and extent of a share are such that actions in pursuit of the business affect our company in any way. Our employees unequivocally distance themselves from requesting, accepting, or taking unfair or unlawful benefits which may influence business decisions or transactions. Likewise, none of our employees offer, or grant or seek to grant business partners, their employees, or other third parties undue advantages, or make any agreements regarding this during business activities of any type.

#### **Protection of assets & confidentiality**

Each individual is expected to protect the company's material and immaterial assets, to handle operational and trade secrets, as well as business information relating to customers, confidentially, and to comply with the applicable principles for data protection.

#### **Suppliers**

We have high expectations of our suppliers and require them to comply with the same strict principles which we strive for ourselves in the management of their businesses, particularly in the treatment of employees. As an importer, we pay attention to the exact labelling and classification of goods and raw materials, the precise specification of their

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value and the country of origin. Local customs and import laws, regulations and procedures of government agencies are expressly complied with here.

## **Environment & recycling**

As a company, we are committed to protecting nature and the environment. We protect our environment through state-of-the-art systems. Each employee makes their contribution to the production of high-quality products in processes which are considerate of the environment and are as sustainable as possible.

### **Corporate citizenship**

We expressly acknowledge our responsibility as a part of our society in a regional and national sense. Our establishments are committed to open communication with all authorities, as well as social and public interest groups.

### Compliance

This **INOTECH Code of Ethics and Conduct** has been approved by the management and brought to the attention of all employees. Our employees comply with this Code of Conduct without exception while exercising their duties.

Questions regarding application or interpretation, as well as reports of possible violations, are directed to the respective superiors. Procedures, practices, or actions which are inconsistent with this Code of Conduct should be corrected and result in disciplinary action.

In the event of suspicion of a violation of this code, the employee can inform their immediate superior. If this is not possible for any reason, they can contact the human resources department or write to the email address etika@inotech.cz.

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