

Request for Proposals to benchmark anti-bribery and corruption for supply chain management

The PSCI Ethics Sub-Team kindly requests a proposal from your organization to provide external benchmark inputs on anti-bribery and corruption ('ABC') in supply chain management.

Background:

The PSCI Ethics Sub-Team has launched a project on ABC with an overall aim of further strengthening ABC practices as part of the PSCI Principles among member companies and suppliers. The sub-team will start this project by consolidating external benchmarks on ABC risk management in supply chain. Based on the external benchmarks that set parameters, the sub-team will develop a survey to conduct internal benchmarking among PSCI members. The findings will feed into development of a 'roadmap guide on ABC for the PSCI' aimed at inspiring and guiding PSCI members and suppliers in further improving their management of ABC risks in supply chains.

Scope:

The scope of this exercise is limited to the following:

- Anti-bribery and corruption (ABC) in all forms
- Supply chain management. Includes both direct-spend and indirect spend, manufacturers, agents, vendors and service providers as long as they are suppliers. Excludes customers such as wholesalers and hospitals.

External Benchmarks and Deliverables:

The external benchmarks by an external expert are to consolidate the external requirements, identify trends and top risks, present cases and good practices. This exercise should be based on desk-top research without involving interviews with PSCI members. Ethics Sub-Team's chair and project lead are available for clarifying discussions. Specifically, the deliverables required from the external expert are:

1. **Elaborate global authoritative minimum standards and other key legislations with global applicability on supply chain ABC.** This includes elaboration of the scope and requirements: what are required of businesses with regard to their supply chain ABC risks. This includes a description of step-by-step actions businesses should take to comply with the minimum standard requirements. Any enforcement and sanctions should be also described.
2. **Identify key trends and top 10 supply chain ABC risks, based on external benchmarks and research.** The risk trend analysis should identify the top 10 ABC risks relevant for the pharmaceutical industry the next 3 years. The risk analysis should also note that pharmaceutical companies have significant 'indirect spend' supply chains which extend into various sectors shared with other industries, e.g. electronics, consumer goods. The analysis should include explanation of the trend contexts and description of each risk. (Some ABC risks might overlap with human rights or environmental safety risks.)
3. **Identify 5 ABC supply chain 'cases with consequences'** from the pharmaceutical and healthcare industry and present them (in a redacted manner) for case study purposes: i.e. unmanaged ABC risks, what went wrong, consequences, lessons and actions to stop and prevent future recurrence.
4. **Identify 5 good company practices on managing ABC risks in supply chains,** based on external benchmark and research. Good practices may come from other industries. Good practices may cover different aspects of managing ABC risks in supply chain: for example, good practices on governance, internal training, risk identification and prioritization, due diligence, supplier training, monitoring, etc. The good practices should include what works and what doesn't, tips and things to remember, etc. to help audience to draw lessons and inspiration.

Format: PPT slides (PSCI template, which will be supplied).

Timeframe:

- Final approved deliverables are to be submitted to the Ethics Sub-Team by 11th September 2020.
- Draft deliverables should be shared with the Ethics Sub-Team for clarifying comments by 21st August 2020.

Your proposal should be no longer than 5 pages and include a description of your organization's previous work on managing ABC risks in supply chains, with any relevant pharmaceutical experience highlighted. The proposal should also include expert's bio and cost. For reference, the PSCI's budget assumption is that this project will require approximately 10 days research time.

Proposals are to be sent to the PSCI email address <info@PSCIinitiative.org>, due by 31st July 2020 and 8:00am Central European Time. The winning proposal will be selected and notified no later than 7th August 2020.