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Modern Slavery

What modern slavery is and what it means for businesses today

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Modern slavery encompasses human trafficking, slavery, servitude and the exploitation of people:

- It is estimated 1 in 200 people are held in a form of modern slavery globally, and a third of the profits of modern slavery are generated in developed countries, like the UK.
- Working collaboratively, businesses, government and society can reduce the incidence of modern slavery and disrupt the global operations of human traffickers.

After this session you will:

- 1. Appreciate what modern slavery and human trafficking are and associated risks and challenges for business
- 2. Explain the associated legislative framework
- 3. Be aware of the groups especially "at risk" and measures that businesses can consider to manage this
- 4. Understand the potential impacts of Covid-19 on modern slavery and human trafficking



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Human Trafficking & Modern Slavery



Building a world where people are not bought and sold



Modern slavery and human trafficking – scale and definition

The changing picture and complexities of modern slavery

Position within "ESG"

Practical approach & case studies

Questions



Who We Are

- Operating for 16 years
- Intelligence-led approach to prevention
- 10 million people reached
- Mapped 8 billion procurement spend
- Over 150 partner organisations
- We change the environment that allows trafficking to flourish





Human Trafficking- Adults

Trafficking in persons' shall mean the recruitment, transportation, transfer, harbouring or receipt of persons, by means of the threat or use of force or other forms of coercion, of abduction, of fraud, of deception, of the abuse of power or of a position of vulnerability or of the giving or receiving of payments or benefits to achieve the consent of a person having control over another person, for the purpose of exploitation.

'Exploitation' shall include, at a minimum, the exploitation of the prostitution of others or other forms of sexual exploitation, forced labour or services, slavery or practices similar to slavery, servitude or the removal of organs







Modern Slavery

Slavery When ownership is exercised over a person Means + Purpose

Servitude The obligation to provide services imposed by coercion Means + Purpose

Human Trafficking

Arranging or facilitating the travel of another with view to exploiting them
Act + Means + Purpose

Forced Labour

Any work or services people are forced to do against their will under threat of punishment. Means + Purpose

Some people may not be victims of human trafficking, but may still be victims of modern slavery.

Scale of the issue



40.3 Million

people held in modern slavery globally \$450

is the average price to buy a person \$150 Billion+ made

annually from trafficking



Types of exploitation



Forced Labour







Domestic servitude



Child trafficking



Forced Criminality



Organ Harvesting



Debt Bondage



Descent based exploitation



Forced Marriage



Case study

Sliding Scale of Exploitation



Not all labour exploitation is classed as modern slavery. However, companies should seek to prevent all forms of exploitation, negligence, and human rights abuses.



Source: United Kingdom Labour Market Enforcement Strategy 2019/20

Forced Labour

All work or service which is exacted from any person under the threat of a penalty and for which the person has not offered himself or herself voluntarily.

- 24.9million people trapped in forced labour globally
- 58% women and girls
- 150 billion+ in profits with more than 46.9 million made in developed economies





Businesses and their role

Risks & Opportunities

General Business Exposure





High-Risk Sectors





Models of Exploitation





Office Touchpoints





Exposure Risks

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HT related Regulatory Fines, Share Price Impact and Reputational damage:



Business Westpac Takes A\$900 Million Charge for Potential Laundering Fine

By Emily Cadman 13 April 2020, 23:40 BST Updated on 14 April 2020, 01.01 BST



WE ARE FOREIGN PRISONERS IN SHANGHAI QINGPU PRISON CHINA, FORCED TO WORK AGAINST OUR WILL, PLEASE HELP US AND NOTIFY HUMAN RIGHTS ORGANIZATION USE THE LINK TO CONTACT MR PETER HUMPHREY

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Dec 2019 – Handwritten notes from prison labourers appeared in children's Christmas cards, share price slid 0.9% a week before Christmas

The Risk for Business

-6.48%



4.42%



April 2015

Investigated by the French Government for using forced labour in Qatar

-£1.6 Billion stock value

August 2016

Named in an NGO report for using a supplier that employed children in Myanmar

-4.77%

-£2.0 Billion stock value

ZARA

November 2017

Handwritten notes asking for help from workers appeared in Zara clothing

-3.82%

-£3.3 Billion stock value



April 2018

Named in an NGO report for using tea suppliers that exploit workers in India

-£96.6 Billion stock value

Operation Fort

- Exploitation occurred in the first tier of retail supply chains, despite the regulation of temporary labour to the UK's agriculture and food processing sectors.
- Businesses connected to the exploitation supply goods to main food retailers and home improvement stores.
- Traffickers supplied victims to at least eight established labour agencies.
- Other employees either did not notice the signs of trafficking or did not know how to raise suspicions.



UK slavery network 'had 400 victims'

() 5 July 2019





Top L-R: Ignacy Brzezinski, Jan Sadowski, Julianna Chodakowicz, Justyna Parczewska. Bottom L-R: Marek Brzezinski, Natalia Zmuda, Wojciech Nowakowski, Marek Chowaniec

Members of a gang behind the biggest modern-day slavery network ever exposed in the UK have been jailed.

Boohoo

- Boohoo Group Ltd accounts for almost 75–80% of production in Leicester factories.
- Workers paid below NMW for as little as £3.50 per hour
- Workers forced to work despite themselves or family members testing positive for Covid-19.



Good Practice



Best Practices – Overview

Training staff

Building typologies

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Monitoring (detect & disrupt)

Businesses should undertake regular due diligence to check for abusive practices in their supply chains and investments

Businesses should integrate modern slavery red flags into their existing money laundering control frameworks

Collaboration and knowledge sharing with NGOs and law enforcement.

Good practices – case study





- A leading hospitality business and the owner of Premier Inn, the UK's biggest hotel brand.
- Also a leading businesses in the prevention of MSHT. Whitbread has been working with STOP THE TRAFFIK for the last five years. We are now official partners.
- Projects together: supply chain mapping, the development of a handbook targeted at Whitbread's suppliers, training programmes rolled out to procurement, HR, managerial and operational staff.
- Whitbread has recently won the 2020 #SedexAward for Best Buyer Health & Safety/Labour Programme. It was described by the judges as "showing a proactive approach & engagement in the co design of policies and practices with key suppliers."







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