# **RELX**

# PROTECTING HUMAN RIGHTS

MODERN SLAVERY ACT STATEMENT

This statement, approved by the RELX Board on 13 February 2024, has been published in accordance with the Modern Slavery Act 2015. It sets out the steps taken by RELX PLC and its subsidiaries to prevent modern slavery and human trafficking in its business and supply chain during the year ending 31 December 2023 [1]. This is our eighth Modern Slavery Act statement. Past statements can be found here.

# **OUR COMPANY**

**RELX** is a global provider of information- based analytics and decision tools for professional and business customers, enabling them to make better decisions, get better results and be more productive.

Our purpose is to benefit society by developing products that help researchers advance scientific knowledge; doctors and nurses improve the lives of patients; lawyers promote the rule of law and achieve justice and fair results for their clients; businesses and governments prevent fraud; consumers access financial services and get fair prices on insurance; and customers learn about markets, source products and complete transactions.

Our purpose guides our actions beyond the products that we develop. It defines us as a company. Every day across RELX our employees are inspired to undertake initiatives that make unique contributions to society and the communities in which we operate.

## **RELX has:**

36,500+

Over 36,500 employees worldwide

**40**+

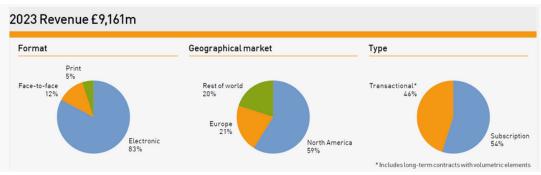
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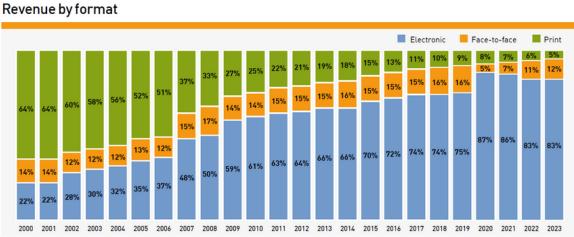
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Based in six continents

180+

Serving customers in 180+ countries worldwide





We operate in **four major market segments**, **Risk, Scientific, Medical & Technical, Legal and Exhibitions**. In 2023, electronic products and services accounted for 83% of revenue, up from 30% in 2003.

**Risk** combines data and analytics with deep industry expertise to help customers make better decisions and manage risk. We help detect and prevent online fraud and money laundering and deliver insight to insurance companies. We provide digital tools that help industries from aviation to banking improve their operations. Risk comprises the following market-facing industry/sector groups: Business Services, Insurance Solutions, Specialised Industry Data Services and Government Solutions. Key products include Cirium, powering data and analytics needs of the majority of the world's airline groups, airports, aircraft finance, manufacturers, tech giants and travel companies; and ICIS, which has been providing pricing data and insights on the recycled plastics market for over 15 years, helping customers further a sustainable future in the transition to a circular economy.

Scientific, Technical & Medical helps

researchers and healthcare professionals advance science and improve health outcomes by combining quality information and data sets with analytical tools to facilitate insights and critical decision-making. Elsevier's services across Academic and Government, Corporate and Health segments focus on: Databases & Tools including e- reference content: Primary Research; and Print products. Significant key products include: Science- Direct, the world's largest platform dedicated to peer-reviewed primary scientific and medical research; Scopus and SciVal, which offers insights to support decisionmaking; and ClinicalKey, the flagship clinical reference platform accessed at over 5,000 institutions in over 80 countries.

Legal provides legal, regulatory and business information and analytics that helps customers increase their productivity, improve decision-making and achieve better outcomes.

LexisNexis hosts over 138bn legal and news documents and records. On average,
2.2m new legal documents are added daily from 50,000 sources, generating 158bn connections. Nexis news and business content includes over 39,000 premium sources in 50 languages, covering more than 180 countries.

Legal analytics tool, Lex Machina, has normalised over 172m counsel mentions and over 134m party mentions since 2016.

**Exhibitions (RX)** organises influential events in key markets focused on addressing the needs of each particular industry. It combines industry expertise with data and digital tools to help customers connect face-to-face and digitally, learn about markets, source products and complete transactions. In 2023, RX ran 286 face-to-face events in 25 countries and over 6m participants welcomed the opportunity to build their businesses at RX events.

We focus on our **unique contributions** as a business where we make a positive impact on society through our knowledge, resources and skills, including:



Universal, sustainable access to information



Advance of science and health



Protection of society



Promotion of the rule of law & access to justice



Fostering communities

Detailed information about the segments, each of their business models and our unique contributions can be found in the RELX Annual Report on relx.com.

### **OUR COMMITMENT TO PROTECT HUMAN RIGHTS**

Modern slavery is the exploitation of another person for commercial or personal gain. It is an umbrella term for human trafficking, sexual exploitation, domestic servitude, forced and bonded labour.

The ILO Report from 2022 defines modern slavery as "situations of exploitation that a person cannot refuse or cannot leave because of threats, violence, abuse of power or coercion."

We stand against all forms of slavery and human trafficking. We do not tolerate it in any part of our business, including our supply chain. We are a signatory to the United Nations Global Compact (UNGC) Ten Principles related to human rights, fair and non-discriminatory labour practices, the environment, and anti-corruption. Our policies are also informed by the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, the OECD Guidelines for Multinational Enterprises, the UN Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights, the ILO Declaration on Fundamental Principles and Rights at Work and the Women's Empowerment Principles. We have consulted widely on a RELX Human Rights Policy which we will launch in 2024.

We are aware of the risk of modern slavery given our global presence and diverse supply chain. We have robust human rights due diligence processes in place which include:

- Assessing risks in our own operations and our supply chain through consultations with key stakeholders and through the use of due diligence tools
- Providing training to teams who are more likely to face potential modern slavery issues
- Conducting awareness raising campaigns for all employees, including materials for all employees on detecting modern slavery
- Enhancing our policies when necessary to address modern slavery risks
- Prioritising key risk areas so that steps can be taken to monitor them more closely and provide remediation if necessary

At RELX, all employees have an obligation to conduct business with integrity including respecting human rights.

We have a governance structure in place to support

this very important objective, including personnel devoted to corporate responsibility, procurement, audit, compliance, corporate affairs, and legal. The CEO is responsible to the Board for the ethical operation of our business, including respecting human rights, supported by the CEOs of our business areas, the Head of Corporate Affairs, the Chief Legal Officer, the Chief Financial Officer, the Chief Sustainability Officer, the Chief Compliance Officer, the Chief Procurement Officer, the Chief Human Resources Officer and colleagues throughout our company.

## **OUR PEOPLE**

As a global provider of information-based analytics and decision tools for professional and business customers, RELX attracts and develops highly skilled professionals who can realise their career aspirations. Given the nature of our work and workforce, the risk is low for human trafficking and modern slavery in our direct operations.

We employ over 36,500 people in more than 40 countries worldwide. Approximately 69% of our employees are based in North America and Europe. The Philippines is our third largest geography where 14% of our employees are located.

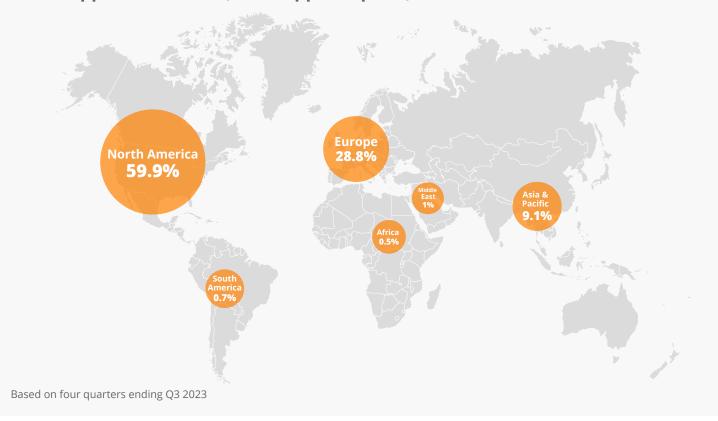
We have over 1,300 contingent workers through our central programme for contingent labour who provide support such as editorial, technical, project management, and administrative services. Contingent workers engaged through our central programme, their providers are subject to our Supplier Code of Conduct.

## **OUR SUPPLY CHAIN**

RELX has a diverse supply chain with suppliers located in over 150 countries. These suppliers are spread across multiple categories including technology (e.g. software, cloud, hardware, and telecom), indirect (e.g. consulting, marketing, contingent labour and travel), and direct (e.g. data/content and production services, print/paper/bind, distribution). Our top ten supplier countries are Australia, Canada, China, France, Germany, India, Netherlands, Philippines, UK and US.



# **RELX supplier locations (% of supplier spend)**



# **POLICIES TO AVOID SLAVERY AND HUMAN TRAFFICKING**

## **OUR BUSINESS**

Our Code of Ethics and Business Conduct (Code) sets the standard for our corporate and individual behaviour. The Code, available to every employee, is acknowledged by employees during training, and is publicly available at www.relx.com. Our Code of Ethics and Business Conduct supports the principles of the United Nations Global Compact (UNGC) and stresses our commitment to human rights and supporting fair and non-discriminatory labour practices, among other provisions. In accordance with the UN's Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights, we consider where and how we operate to avoid human trafficking and modern slavery in our direct operations and in our supply chain. The Code, on page 41, clearly states that we "support and respect international human rights" and work to "ensure that we are not complicit in human rights abuses."

The Code is available in 13 languages to ensure all our employees understand it. It is supplemented by other policies to further assist employees in complying with laws related to anti-bribery, competing fairly, data privacy and

security, trade sanctions and preventing workplace harassment.

Employees receive mandatory training on the Code – both as new hires and at regular intervals during their tenure – in order to maintain a respectful workplace, prevent bribery and protect personal and company data.

Mandatory periodic training covers key Code topics in depth and is supplemented by advanced in-person training for higher-risk roles. We ensure training effectiveness by tracking completion rates and feedback during and after training.

We are committed to an inclusive workplace, with diversity that reflects our customers and communities, and a culture that welcomes individuals and their contributions, regardless of gender, race or other characteristics protected by law, as stated in our Inclusion and Diversity Policy. We have publicly stated inclusion goals to ensure diverse representation across our business.

We are an equal opportunity employer. We are committed to treating all employees and applicants for employment with respect and dignity, and we prohibit discrimination. We recruit, hire, develop, promote, and provide conditions of employment without regard to any diversity characteristics protected by law.

We understand skill-level can be an indication of risk and that some countries are at higher risk for human rights issues which is why, when prioritising focus areas for avoiding human trafficking and modern slavery, we consider location, type of work and employment status.

# CONFIDENTIAL REPORTING & EMPLOYEE SUPPORT

We maintain compliance committees for each RELX market segment. Employees are expected to report suspected violations of the Code or law to a manager, a human resources representative, a company lawyer or the appropriate compliance committee. We also offer employees a confidential reporting line, the Integrity Line, managed by an independent third party, which is accessible by telephone or online 24 hours a day, 365 days a year. As allowed under applicable law, employees may submit reports to the Integrity Line anonymously.

Reports of violations of the Code or related policies are promptly investigated, with careful tracking and monitoring of violations and related mitigation and remediation efforts. The Code provides retaliation protection for those reporting suspected violations and those who assist in providing information in response to a report. For more information about RELX reports of alleged violations of the Code visit https://www.relx.com/investors/corporate-governance/code-of-ethics

Substantiated Code breaches are subject to disciplinary action, up to and including termination of employment. The Integrity Line also includes "Ask a Question" functionality which provides another avenue for employees to get ethics and compliance advice before taking action.

RELX tracks alleged violations from its reporting channels and enquiries received through the Integrity Line. We analyse violations and reports by subject matter, business line, and geography, among other categories and report trends and mitigation efforts to senior management and the Audit Committee of the Board.

We use a UK government definition of modern slavery, particularly "the trafficking of people, forced labour, servitude and slavery." We did not receive any reports or questions from employees that related to modern slavery during the reporting period.

## **OUR SUPPLY CHAIN**

We have a comprehensive Supplier Code of Conduct (Supplier Code), available in 16 languages, which we ask suppliers to adhere to and display prominently in the workplace. It commits them to following applicable laws and best practice in areas such as human rights, labour and the environment.

It also asks our suppliers to require the same standards in their supply chains, including requesting subcontractors to enter into a commitment to uphold the Supplier Code. The Supplier Code states that, where local industry standards are higher than applicable legal requirements, we expect suppliers to meet the higher standards. Our Socially Responsible Supplier (SRS) programme is a key aspect of our work to prevent modern slavery and human trafficking in our supply chain.

The Supplier Code contains provisions on child labour, involuntary labour, wages, coercion and harassment, non-discrimination, association, health and safety, environment and anticorruption. In accordance with the UK's Modern Slavery Act 2015 and based on the American Bar Association's Model Business Conduct Standards to Eradicate Labor Human Rights Impacts in Hiring and Supply Chain Practices, our Supplier Code specifically prohibits participation in any activity related to human trafficking.

Our Supplier Code states unequivocally that suppliers cannot directly or indirectly use, participate in, or benefit from involuntary workers, including human trafficking or related activities. To strengthen adherence to our Supplier Code, we embed it into standard terms and conditions (such as contracts and purchase orders).

We continue to work with non-signatories to gain agreement to our Code, and/or assess whether they have equivalent standards in place, in order to ultimately decide whether to continue doing business with them.

# EXCERPT FROM SUPPLIER CODE ON INVOLUNTARY LABOUR

"Suppliers will not directly or indirectly use, participate in, or benefit from involuntary workers, including human trafficking related activities, for example: (i) using misleading or fraudulent recruitment or engagement practices for employees or contract workers (ii) charging employees and/or contract workers recruitment or engagement fees; (iii) destroying, concealing, confiscating, or otherwise denying access by an employee or any contract worker to his or her identity documents, such as passports or drivers' licenses); or (iv) using workers who are imprisoned, indentured, bonded, military or slaves."

# Australia Canada China France Germany India Netherlands Philippines UK US

## **DUE DILIGENCE**

## **OUR BUSINESS**

We are committed to assessing our global employee workforce to ensure we adhere to our commitment to fair pay. A living wage is determined by the average costs to live, rather than the minimum wage which is lower and determined by law. To date we have assessed nearly half of our employees in our global operations, and all are paid a living wage.

We are a living wage employer in the UK, accredited by The Living Wage Foundation. This means our employees and contractors are paid a living wage. We monitor living wage rates as they increase to identify any necessary adjustment in wages to ensure alignment. We have an alert in our HR system to notify reward managers if a UK employee's wage falls below this threshold, which is then adjusted.

We continue working with our partners at BSR to access living wage data and work to align methodologies as we undertake assessments with accrediting bodies, Living Wage for US in the United States and the Global Living Wage Affiliate Network, which provides support for multinational employers.

We are committed to paying people equitably and fairly and continue to monitor job architecture to improve consistencies in pay. Our robust job architecture system within our HR platform, Workday, supports this aim.

RELX Reward provides training on pay equity principles with leaders across the business. The training focuses on our pay equity strategy and the tools and controls in place to ensure pay equity in both the near and long-term.

RELX participated in the <u>CCLA Modern Slavery</u> <u>UK Benchmark 2023</u>, developed in support of Find it, Fix it, Prevent it a collaborative investor initiative on modern slavery. The benchmark assesses the largest UK companies on the steps they are taking to eradicate modern slavery in their operations and supply chains. RELX was

rated as "Evolving good practice," showing evidence of human rights due diligence practices on modern slavery informed by experts and/ or civil society partners; and evidence of activity in the find it, fix it, and prevent it categories.

We also scored 100% in the Human Rights Campaign Foundation's 2023 Corporate Equality Index, the national US benchmarking tool on LGBTQ+ corporate policies, practices and benefits on workplace equality.

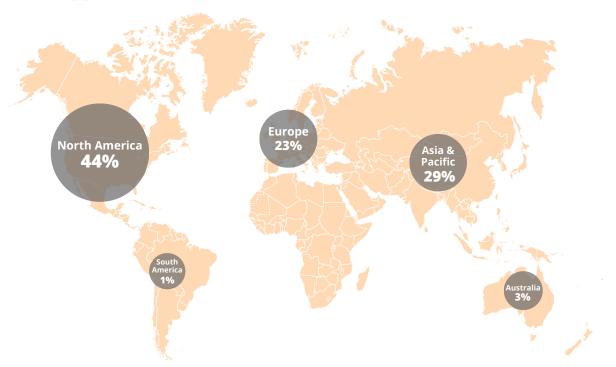
## **OUR SUPPLY CHAIN**

Given the importance of an ethical supply chain, we maintain a Socially Responsible Supplier (SRS) programme encompassing all our business areas, supported by colleagues with expertise in operations and procurement and a dedicated SRS Director from our global procurement function.

We use a country risk ranking tool to determine risk in our supply chain. The tool, developed by a third party, incorporates eleven indicators including data from the ITUC Global Rights Index, the US State Department Trafficking in Persons report, the Human Development Index, the Freedom in the World Civil Rights survey, the Rule of Law Index produced by the World Justice Project and UNICEF's percentage of children aged 5-14 years engaged in child labour data, to determine the risk level of each country. 80% of our global spend was subjected to risk assessment in 2023.

In addition, we monitor our supply chain by using our own tools (LexisNexis Entity Insight and Bridger Insight XG) and other commercially available tools.

# Location of supplier's audits



We track suppliers with whom we spend more than \$1m annually; suppliers identified as critical by the company; and those located in mediumand high-risk countries (as designated by our third-party developed supplier risk tool) with a spend of \$100,000 or more per year for the most recent consecutive two- year period.

The tracking list changes year-on-year based on the suppliers we engage to meet the needs of our business and/or changes in country risk designations within our third-party risk tool. In 2023, there were 796 suppliers on the SRS tracking list, 66 of which were in high-risk countries and 606 in medium risk countries.

690 of the suppliers (87%) on the tracking list have signed our Supplier Code, or have equivalent standards in place.

The majority of the non-signatories are new to the SRS tracking list and we are working with them, and other non-signatories, to gain agreement of our Code. In total, at the end of 2023 there were 5,322 signatories to our Supplier Code, or have an equivalent code, representing an increase of 19% from the 4,467 signatories in 2022.

## **MONITORING SUPPLIERS**

Where required by law, suppliers must have employment contracts signed with all employees in the applicable local language clearly outlining the employment relationship. They must comply with local labour laws and upon hiring, inform their employees of the terms of their employment.

We use our tracking list to identify suppliers for audit. We engage a specialist supply chain auditor to conduct audits and assessments on our behalf using their platform. In 2023, there were 125 external audits including 36 onsite and virtual onsite audits and 89 desktop audits. During a desktop audit, the supplier responds to an online questionnaire and uploads relevant supporting documents followed by a risk assessment using the third-party platform. For virtual onsite audits, facility representatives wear a video and audio source to allow remote interaction with a qualified auditor. The auditor can then evaluate the facility, conduct interviews, and review the necessary documentation in real-time, just as if

conducting an in-person audit. During an onsite audit, the auditor will select employees from a full roster (and may select employees on the work floor during the facility walkthrough). Employee interviews are private and confidential and facility management is not allowed to be present. All information gathered from employee interviews is anonymised. When the auditor communicates non-compliance to facility management, they are not allowed to disclose information which could identify the employee or employees to avoid retaliation against them, which is forbidden in the Supplier Code.

The audit covers critical dimensions of the Supplier Code such as: labour (including child/forced labour, discrimination, discipline, harassment/abuse, freedom of association, labour contracts); wages and hours (including wages and benefits and working hours); health and safety (including general work facility, emergency preparedness, occupational injury, machine safety, safety hazards, chemical and hazardous material, dormitory and canteen); management systems (including documentation and records, worker feedback and participation, audits and corrective action process); environment (including legal compliance, environmental management systems, waste and air emissions); anticorruption and data security.

During 2023, onsite and virtual audit locations included Argentina, India, Italy, Philippines,

Poland, Romania, Singapore, Sri Lanka, South Africa, and the United Kingdom. All of our third-party auditors undergo training in the Compliance Practitioner Initiative (CPI) corporate responsibility lead auditor programme.

This auditor training encompasses a range of Human Rights standards, including key articles from the United Nations Universal Declaration of Human Rights, the Fundamental Conventions of the International Labour Organization (ILO), the United Nations Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights, and the Ethical Trading Initiative (ETI) Base Code. In addition to the CPI and global training, our country experts conduct periodic refresher training sessions covering various topics such as human trafficking, modern slavery, land rights, and other emerging issues and local laws.

When scheduling an audit, the facility is requested to provide information on the languages spoken by employees. Where necessary, external interpreters are engaged to ensure effective communication during the audit.

An incidence of non-compliance triggers a continuous improvement report summarising audit results, with remediation plans and submission dates agreed and signed by both the auditor and the supplier. The auditors review evidence of remediation which they accept or reject, working with suppliers until full compliance is reached.

RELX has a tiered approach to remediation, as detailed in the table below:

Finding Rating	Time to remediate (months)
Zero Tolerance/Business Critical	1
Major	3
Moderate/Minor	6

Ensuring suppliers remediate any findings from audits is critical to confirm compliance with the Supplier Code. We have a defined process in place with increased communication both internally and externally to help suppliers remediate zero tolerance/business critical and major findings within the defined timelines. If a supplier does not remediate these findings within the deadline, we work with relevant colleagues to define next steps (e.g. alternative suppliers, exit strategy, etc.).

The Supplier Code states, "Failure to comply with any RELX term, condition, requirement, policy or procedure...may result in the cancellation of all existing orders and termination of the business relationship between RELX and supplier."

We understand audits are a helpful diagnostic tool to effectively identify risks alongside other measures. We strive for meaningful relationships with our suppliers to foster dialogue on labour and other issues.

Our suppliers and their employees can report any grievances to a dedicated RELX email inbox. We did not receive any complaints in 2023 related to human trafficking or modern slavery.

## **TRAINING**

## **OUR BUSINESS**

In 2023, we continued to develop our modern slavery awareness training programme to highlight the prevalence of slavery globally and to ensure our employees are equipped with an understanding of how to deal with any suspected incident of modern slavery.

We developed an e-learning module in partnership with Slave Free Alliance, a social enterprise that helps organisations protect their operations and supply chains from modern slavery. The module can be accessed through our HR learning portal by all employees.

The training helps:

- Develop an understanding of what modern slavery is and the different forms that exist.
- Recognise the signs and indicators of the different forms of modern slavery.
- Understand how to respond appropriately if a victim or incident of modern slavery is identified.

During 2023, employees across the business undertook the training and provided feedback. Throughout 2024 we will continue to deploy training across the company, targeting teams in procurement, exhibitions, facilities, and human resources.

## **OUR SUPPLY CHAIN**

During the year we invited suppliers on our tracking list for training on the SMETA audit process. In addition, we invited 104 suppliers during 2023 to undergo further training on preventing forced labour.

# **2024 COMMITMENTS**

		2023 Objective	Status	This is what we did	2024 Objective
Direct Operations	ō	Roll out modern slavery awareness training to employees globally	Ongoing	Employees across the business undertook the training as part of testing to ensure applicability throughout our business and operations	Continue to deploy training across the company, targeting areas at higher risk of modern slavery
	ct Operal	Ensure modern slavery awareness training engages contingent workers	Ongoing	We are working to ensure contingent workers undertake modern slavery awareness training through their relevant service providers and are tracking progress	Continue to work with contingent workers to ensure they have access to modern slavery awareness training
	DIR	Complete US Living Wage assessments and prepare to assess the next five countries where we have the largest employee population	Ongoing	We worked with consultants from BSR, Living Wage for US and the Global Living Wage Affiliate Network to progress US living wage assessments	Continue living wage assessments in additional geographies

Supply Chain	2023 Objective	Status	This is what we did	2024 Objective
		Ongoing	In 2023, there were 796 suppliers on the SRS tracking list, 66 of which were in high risk countries and 606 in medium risk countries. 690 of the suppliers (87%) on the SRS tracking list have signed our Supplier Code, or have equivalent standards in place  In total, at the end of 2023 there were 5,322 signatories to our Supplier Code, or have an equivalent code, representing an increase of 19% from the 4,467 signatories at the end of 2022	Continue to increase number of suppliers as Code signatories; continue using audits to ensure continuous improvement in supplier performance and compliance
	Provide training to exhibition show directors on modern slavery awareness to empower them to raise concerns	Ongoing	Worked with colleagues in Exhibitions, global procurement and facilities management to develop e-learning module on modern slavery awareness to ensure content is relevant to show directors and other colleagues	Work with suppliers to ensure they undertake modern slavery awareness training
	Continue the Supplier Sessions series to further support the business in introducing new suppliers	Ongoing	We held Supplier Sessions focused on the RELX supplier audit process and Supplier Code of Conduct	Continue Supplier Sessions with insights on avoiding modern slavery

## **ADVOCACY**

We promote the rule of law through our products and services, particularly those of LexisNexis Legal & Professional, which help legal professionals and support governments, and justice systems, to function more effectively. We make laws accessible to increase the transparency of legal systems as a fundamental element of a healthy society and growing economy. We are bold advocates for the rule of law and provide training and access to our legal tools and solutions.

Our Rule of Law Working Group comprised of colleagues from across our business helps track and expand our rule of law activities. We are members of a Transformational Governance Think Lab supporting SDG 16 (Peace, Justice and Strong Institutions) to help businesses go beyond legal minimums to advance the rule of law and sustainable development. RELX supported the development of the UNGC's SDG 16 Business Framework to help companies embrace transformational governance, which calls on business to be accountable, ethical, inclusive and transparent as a driver to responsible business conduct, enhanced ESG performance and strengthened public institutions, laws and systems.

RELX Rule of Law Cafés bring together stakeholders – including customers, government, NGOs and law societies – to discuss opportunities to go beyond legal minimums to advance the rule of law. In 2023, they were held virtually in Malaysia, Singapore, Canada and the UK. During a UK Rule of Law Café session in the year, Catherine Young, Director at Oxford Analytica Foundation presented insights from her work with WWF exploring the human rights dimension of the illegal wildlife trade.

In Southeast Asia, Rule of Law Café topics examined statelessness and citizenship in Malaysia and climate justice in Singapore. Canada held a Rule of Law speaker series throughout 2023 including a presentation by Willow Tambakis, Corporate Partnership Specialist and Greg Ratelle, Senior Development Officer at Toronto Humane Society.

LexisNexis Legal & Professional Australia offers a complimentary Regulatory Compliance Modern Slavery module to provide entities with clear guidance and support on modern slavery reporting. Along with assisting them to prepare their modern slavery assessments, the module provides insight into what measures, strategies and remedial action should be taken to assess modern slavery risks in their operations and supply chains.

Colleagues provided pro bono expertise to the Australian Human Rights Commission on the Human Rights and Technology Project, which considers how to protect and promote human rights in the context of new and emerging technologies; the business is also engaged with the Human Technology Institute to support responsible development and use of artificial intelligence.

The free RELX SDG Resource Centre features content on avoiding human trafficking and modern slavery and also features tools like the LexisNexis Rule of Law Impact Tracker developed with the World Justice Project to show the link between the rule of law and sustainable development; stronger rule of law leads to higher GDP per capita and life expectancy, lower child mortality, homicide, and corruption.

The SDG Resource Centre also features eyeWitness to Atrocities, developed with the International Bar Association, which allows citizens to securely and verifiably report human rights atrocities, including human trafficking and

modern slavery, so the information can be used as evidence in law courts. Read the story behind the App here.

Anyone with an Android-enabled smartphone – from journalists and investigators to affected citizens – can download the free app and help bring perpetrators to account for crimes against humanity, including human trafficking. eyeWitness utilises the same technology LexisNexis Legal & Professional deploys to safeguard sensitive and confidential material for its clients.

Find out more about these tools and other initiatives on our SDG 16 page.

We recognised Human Rights Day, observed each year on 10 December — the day the United Nations General Assembly adopted, in 1948, the Universal Declaration of Human Rights (UDHR), with a special issue on the RELX SDG Resource Centre featuring more than 15 related articles from our journals such as The Lancet. We highlighted the UDHR as a milestone document, which proclaims the inalienable right that everyone is entitled to as a human being - regardless of race, colour, religion, sex, language, political or other opinion, national or social origin, property, birth or other status. Available in more than 500 languages, it is the most translated document in the world.

LexisNexis UK have produced an overview of Human Rights and business, introducing the key issues business organisations need to know about human rights. It summarises some of the key human rights standards and initiatives that apply to business and the key actions that business organisations need to take in order to avoid causing or contributing to adverse human rights impacts.

Nexis Solutions, part of LexisNexis Legal & Professional, is helping organisations operate with integrity including by enabling good governance and transparency across supply chains with due diligence research platforms. In support of UN SDG 8.7 to eradicate modern slavery and human trafficking. Nexis Solutions produces advocacy materials for the SDG Resource Centre, including a

micro-documentary collaboration with chocolate company Tony's Chocolonely, which aims to eradicate slavery in the cocoa industry.

We also offer Access to Justice Law360, which provides free content to enable legal aid organisations and others to help citizens with the fewest resources gain equal treatment within civil and criminal justice systems.

Our LexisNexis Risk Solutions (LNRS) business developed the Automated Delivery of Alerts on Missing Children (ADAM) programme in 2000 to help the National Center for Missing & Exploited Children®(NCMEC) find missing children. ADAM technology, which is maintained and enhanced by LNRS employees, quickly distributes missing child alert posters to law enforcement, hospitals, businesses, and the public in specific geographic search areas. In 2023, ADAM distributed over 1.1m alerts helping NCMEC resolve 1,140 missing child cases.

In the UK, we work with Missing People providing access to our tools and resources to help in their search for missing children and adults. With free access to LexisNexis Risk Solutions TracelQ® product, Missing People maintained its Lost Connect service, helping people to reconnect with someone missing who is not legally missing or at risk in the eyes of the law.

LexisNexis Legal & Professional and STOP THE TRAFFIK a non-governmental organisation dedicated to eradicating human trafficking, published Dressed to Kill, available on the RELX Group SDG Resource Centre. The report raises awareness about forced labour and human trafficking in the cotton industry, for companies and consumers, with actions to eliminate and reduce related risk.

## **PARTNERSHIPS**

At RELX, we recognize the importance of multi-stakeholder partnerships to achieve greater impact. We participate in a number of partnerships to advance progress against modern slavery:

Name of partnership	Description
Global Compact UK's Modern Slavery Working Group	We are founding members of this forum which meets quarterly and which helps its members respond to the MSA. The Working Group has provided a safe space where its members can discuss the challenges of implementing the MSA and learn how companies from other sectors are tackling their supply chain due diligence. Through this forum we participated in a peer review of our 2023 MSA Statement.
The Book Chain Project	The Book Chain Project is a collaborative initiative run by Carnstone, involving 28 leading book and journal publishers, over 400 print suppliers and more than 300 paper manufacturers. The publishers participating in the Book Chain Project have one common aspiration – to make informed buying decisions and minimise the impact their books have on the environment, as well as those who manufacture or read their books.
BSR	BSR is a sustainable business network and consultancy focused on creating a world in which all people can thrive on a healthy planet. With offices in Asia, Europe, and North America, BSR provides its 300+ member companies with insight, advice, and collaborative initiatives to help them see a changing world more clearly, create long-term value, and scale impact.

This statement has been approved by the RELX Board on 13 February 2024.

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Paul Walker, Chair

[1] In accordance with Section 54 of the United Kingdom's Modern Slavery Act 2015, this RELX Modern Slavery Act Statement 2024 covers the following RELX subsidiaries: RELX PLC (ultimate parent company); RELX Group plc; RELX (Holdings) Ltd; RELX (UK) Ltd [www.relx.com]; LNRS Data Services Ltd [www.risk.lexisnexis.co.uk]; LexisNexis Risk Solutions UK Ltd [https://risk.lexisnexis.co.uk]; Elsevier Ltd [www.elsevier.com/en-gb]; Butterworths Ltd [www.lexisnexis.co.uk]; Reed Exhibitions Ltd [www.rxglobal.com].

