



## Modern Slavery and Human Trafficking Statement

Slavery and human trafficking are abuses of human rights, and T. Rowe Price International Ltd ("TRP International" or the "Company") is committed to combatting slavery in all forms. This statement is made by TRP International in accordance with the requirements of section 54 of the U.K. Modern Slavery Act 2015 (the "Act") and sets out the steps TRP International has taken during the financial year ending 31 December 2020 to aim to ensure that slavery and human trafficking do not take place in any part of our business or our supply chains.

## About T. Rowe Price

TRP International is a U.K. corporation and a subsidiary of T. Rowe Price Associates, Inc. ("TRP Associates"), which is a wholly owned subsidiary of T. Rowe Price Group, Inc., a publicly traded financial services holding company in the United States that provides global investment management services through its subsidiaries to investors worldwide. TRP International is a global investment manager and also provides distribution and servicing for non-U.S. clients. TRP International is headquartered in London and is regulated by the Financial Conduct Authority in the United Kingdom.

### Our Policies and Procedures

T. Rowe Price Group, Inc. and its subsidiaries, including TRP International (together "T. Rowe Price", "we", "us" or "our") have a number of policies and procedures in place that aim to ensure ethical conduct and fair and equitable treatment takes place within its own business. We strive to provide a safe environment and ensure the safety and wellbeing of all of our workers.

#### **Code of Ethics and Conduct**

As a global investment management firm, we are considered a fiduciary to many of our clients and owe them a duty of undivided loyalty. Our clients entrust us with their financial well-being and expect us to always act in their best interests. T. Rowe Price Group, Inc. has adopted a Code of Ethics and Conduct ("Code"), applicable to TRP International, which establishes standards of conduct that we expect each associate to fully understand and agree to adopt. All associates and certain contingent workers are expected to comply with all laws and regulations applicable to T. Rowe Price's business with a written acknowledgement of his or her understanding of the Code and its amendments on at least an annual basis.

## **Equal Employment Opportunity Policy**

T. Rowe Price is committed to the principles of equal employment opportunity and the optimisation of our associates' abilities. The aim of our policy is to ensure that all applicants and T. Rowe Price associates receive equal treatment regardless of sex, gender, age, race, disability, marital status, religion, creed, colour, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, citizenship status, national origin, veteran status, pregnancy, or any other classification protected by law. All employment decisions will be made in a non-discriminatory manner.

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## T. Rowe Price Dignity at Work Policy

T. Rowe Price is committed to providing a safe working environment free of harassment and bullying in which all individuals are treated with respect and dignity. Associates have the right to enjoy a workplace that is conducive to high performance, promotes equal opportunity, and prohibits bullying and harassment. T. Rowe Price will not tolerate bullying, harassment or other types of inappropriate behavior directed by or toward an associate, supervisor/manager, contractor, vendor, customer, visitor, or other business partner. All allegations of bullying and harassment will be investigated and, if appropriate, disciplinary action will be taken. T. Rowe Price will also not tolerate victimisation of a person for making allegations of bullying or harassment in good faith or supporting someone to make such a complaint.

## T. Rowe Price Anti-Bribery Compliance Statement

As a global investment firm, T. Rowe Price is committed to a policy against illegal payments and other corrupt practices. In addition, the Company trains its employees to understand the rules related to preventing such practices.

## Whistleblowing procedures

The T. Rowe Price Code addresses associates' obligation to report violations or suspected violations of the Code and general accounting, controls and auditing matters. Reports may be submitted anonymously. It is the Chief Compliance Officer's responsibility to investigate and report violations to the relevant authority.

## Responsible Investing

Our proprietary Responsible Investing Indicator Model (RIIM) allows us to pro-actively and systematically screen for whether or not an investee company has been involved in controversies tied to modern slavery or human rights. RIIM is one of many components that contribute to our deep, fundamental investment research. It builds a distinct responsible investing (RI) profile of each corporate entity by scoring companies on environmental, social and ethics criteria, largely using non-financial data and incident history—data not traditionally used in mainstream investing. RIIM systematically and proactively assesses the responsible investing profiles of around 15,000 companies globally. Our portfolio managers and research analysts integrate this assessment as appropriate to their mandate.

## **Suppliers**

As a financial services organization, our supplier relationships generally involve the procurement of goods and services in the areas of technology, commercial real estate, facilities, business travel, printing, hiring of temporary and contract workers and various professional services with expertise in disciplines such as legal, finance, investments, human resources and marketing.

TRP International's policies require a commitment to conduct our professional and business relationships ethically and with integrity, including our relationships with suppliers. We are undertaking actions to mitigate our risks when selecting and contracting with suppliers. These include:

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- Educational awareness to associates who work in a material capacity with our suppliers, which is designed to educate relevant associates on issues relating to slavery and human trafficking in order to help them identify potential issues when dealing with our suppliers.
- Requesting that key potential suppliers to TRP International provide their current statement in relation to slavery and human trafficking within their business and supply chains and asking about their compliance with the Act.
- We will instruct TRP International to include language in standard contract templates with suppliers to TRP International regarding the prevention of slavery and human trafficking.
- Conducting reviews of our current supplier base, starting with key suppliers that provide goods and services to TRP International, for their compliance with the Act.

The T. Rowe Price International Modern Slavery and Human Trafficking Statement will be updated annually.

The board of directors of TRP International has approved this statement to be signed on its behalf by Robert Higginbotham.

Signed on behalf of T Rowe Price International Ltd

Robert Higginbotham, Chairman of the Board

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