

# Poliste Srl SB

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## **Disclosure Materials**

Certified B Corporations must complete a Disclosure Questionnaire to identify potentially sensitive issues related to the company (e.g. historical fines, sanctions, material litigation, or sensitive industry practices).

This component does not affect the company's score on the B Impact Assessment. If the company answers affirmatively to any items in the Disclosure Questionnaire that B Lab deems relevant for public stakeholders, then, as a condition of their certification, the company must:

- Be transparent about details of the disclosure issues identified on the company's public B Impact Report
- 2) Describe how the company has addressed this issue
- 3) Demonstrate that management practices are in place to avoid similar issues from arising in the future, when necessary.

In all cases, the Standards Advisory council reserves the right to refuse certification if the company is ultimately deemed not to uphold the spirit and integrity of the community.

In addition to the voluntary indication of sensitive issues in the Disclosure Questionnaire, companies pursuing Certification also are subject to a background check by B Lab staff. Background checks include a review of public records, news sources, and search engines for company names, brands, executives/founders, and other relevant topics.

Sensitive issues identified through background checks may or may not be within the scope of questions in the Disclosure Questionnaire, but undergo the same review process and are subject to the same possible review by the Standards Advisory Council, including ineligibility for B Corp Certification, required remediation, or disclosure.

This document contains a copy of the company's completed Disclosure Questionnaire and related disclosure documentation provided by the company



## **Disclosure Questionnaire**

#### **Industries and Products**

#### Yes No Please indicate if the company is involved in production of or trade in any of the following. Select Yes for all options that **Animal Products or Services** $\boxed{}$ **Biodiversity Impacts** $\square$ Chemicals $\boxed{}$ **Disclosure Alcohol** $\square$ **Disclosure Firearms Weapons** $\boxed{}$ **Disclosure Mining** $\boxed{}$ **Disclosure Pornography** $\boxed{}$ **Disclosure Tobacco** $\boxed{}$ **Energy and Emissions Intensive** $\boxed{}$ Industries Gambling $\square$ **Genetically Modified Organisms** $\square$ Illegal Products or Subject to $\square$ **Phase Out** Industries at Risk of Human $\overline{\mathbf{A}}$ **Rights Violations Monoculture Agriculture Nuclear Power or Hazardous** $\square$ Materials Payday, Short Term, or High $\overline{\mathbf{A}}$ **Interest Lending** Water Intensive Industries **Tax Advisory Services** $\square$

#### **Outcomes & Penalties**

	Yes	No	
Please indicate if the company has had any formal complaint to a regulatory agency or been assessed any fine or sanction in the past five years for any of the following practices or policies. Check all that apply.			
Anti-Competitive Behavior		V	
Breaches of Confidential Information		V	
Bribery, Fraud, or Corruption		V	
Company has filed for bankruptcy		$\vee$	
Consumer Protection		$\vee$	
Financial Reporting, Taxes, Investments, or Loans		N	
Hazardous Discharges Into Air/Land/Water (Past 5 Yrs)		$\searrow$	
Labor Issues		<b>₹</b>	
Large Scale Land Conversion, Acquisition, or Relocation		N.	
Litigation or Arbitration		$\vee$	
On-Site Fatality		$\vee$	
Penalties Assessed For Environmental Issues		N	
Political Contributions or International Affairs		$\searrow$	
Recalls		$\checkmark$	
Significant Layoffs			
Violation of Indigenous Peoples Rights		V	
Other		$\checkmark$	



### **Practices**

	Yes	No
Please indicate if the following statements are true regarding whether or not the company engages in the following practices. Check all that apply. If the statement is true, select "Yes." If false, select "No."		
Animal Testing		$\langle$
Company/Suppliers Employ Under Age 15 (Or Other ILO Minimum Age)		$\vee$
Company prohibits freedom of association/collective bargaining		$\vee$
Company workers are prisoners		V
Conduct Business in Conflict Zones		V
Confirmation of Right to Work		$\vee$
Does not transparently report corporate financials to government		$\vee$
Employs Individuals on Zero-Hour Contracts		K
Facilities located in sensitive ecosystems		V
ID Cards Withheld or Penalties for Resignation		K
No formal Registration Under Domestic Regulations		N
No signed employment contracts for all workers		$\vee$
Overtime For Hourly Workers Is Compulsory		V
Payslips not provided to show wage calculation and deductions		V

	Yes	No
Sale of Data		$\checkmark$
Tax Reduction Through Corporate Shells		✓
Workers cannot leave site during non-working hours		✓
Workers not Provided Clean Drinking Water or Toilets		$\checkmark$
Workers paid below minimum wage		$\checkmark$
Workers Under Bond		$\checkmark$
<u>Other</u>	V	

## Supply Chain Disclosures

	Yes	No
Please indicate if any of the following statements are true regarding your company's significant suppliers.		
Business in Conflict Zones		$\checkmark$
Child or Forced Labor		$\checkmark$
Negative Environmental Impact		$\checkmark$
Negative Social Impact		$\checkmark$
Other		$\checkmark$



## **Disclosure Questionnaire Statement**

Disclosure Questionnaire Category: Other - Clients in Controversial and Ineligible Industries

Topic	Clients in Controversial and Ineligible Industries
Summary of Issue	Poliste Srl SB has clients in the following industries: Pharmaceuticals.
	The types of services/products offered to these clients include: - Specialist consultancy for the design and management of Advisory Boards, Expert Meetings, Delphi Analysis, NGT Workshops, Patient Engagement Workshops, Brand Planning and Strategy and Marketing Workshops.
Size/Scope of Issue (e.g. \$ financial implication, # of individuals affected)	In the last fiscal year, 8.75% of the company's annual revenue was from clients in the Pharmaceutical industry.
Impact on Stakeholder(s)	Companies that work with clients in controversial industries can directly or indirectly increase the harmful impact to stakeholders by enabling business growth. Therefore, companies that work with clients in these industries should have practices in place to ensure that their impact is aimed at decreasing the negative impacts of the industry.
	Companies offering certain types of services and products to controversial clients are required to have at minimum a grievance/complaints mechanism and a whistleblower protection policy.
Implemented Management Practices	Poliste Srl SB has the following mechanisms in place to manage the risks related to their business relationships with clients in controversial and ineligible industries:
	Grievance/complaints mechanism. To report a complaint, the reporter must fill out the form downloadable at the company's website and send it to reclami@poliste.it, or send it by post to Poliste società benefit srl (Via San Saturnino, 11 Cagliari. CAP 09124). The criteria for the company to investigate a complaint include a dispute relating to the services, commercial relations, or conditions of work. The company also considers whistleblower reports concerning serious violations of the law



or internal regulations, which may cause damage to the company, the public administration, or the community. The subject of a report are behaviors, acts or omissions that may constitute:

- Violations of laws and regulations, including fraud, corruption and unlawful practices.
- Irregularities in tenders and in the management of public funds.
- Conflicts of interest and abuse of position.
- Violations of the company's ethical standards and Code of Conduct.
- Serious breaches of data protection and cybersecurity regulations.

Within 7 working days, the reporter will receive a confirmation of receipt via the channel used. The complaint will be reviewed within 14 working days to determine its validity and management strategy. If necessary, further information will be collected, involving the interested parties. The resolution of the complaint will take place within 30 working days, unless an extension is needed, which will be communicated to the reporter.

**Whistleblower Protection Policy**. The policy includes the following statements:

- Poliste srl SB, guarantees the protection and confidentiality to whistleblowers (reporters). The aim is to protect the integrity of the organization and ensure a safe and respectful working environment.
- Confidentiality: The identity of the reporter and the details of the report will be treated with the utmost confidentiality. The data controller is the Data Protection Officer (DPO)
- Prohibition of retaliation: Any form of discrimination, dismissal, penalization or retaliation against the whistleblower.
- Anyone who retaliates against a whistleblower will be subject to disciplinary action or termination of the collaboration relationship.
- Anonymity: It is possible to make anonymous reports, which will be evaluated based on their reliability and relevance.

#### Report

Complaints information publicly available