

# SkillLab

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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.

#### **B Lab's Public Complaints Process**

Any party may submit a complaint about a current B Corp through B Lab's Public Complaint Process. Grounds for complaint include:

- 1) Intentional misrepresentation of practices, policies, and/or claimed outcomes during the company's certification process
- 2) Breaches of the B Corp Community's core values as expressed in our Declaration of Interdependence

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 apply.		
Animal Products or Services		$\checkmark$
Biodiversity Impacts		$\mathbf{\mathbf{Y}}$
Chemicals		$\mathbf{Y}$
Disclosure Alcohol		$\checkmark$
Disclosure Firearms Weapons		$\checkmark$
Disclosure Mining		$\mathbf{\mathbf{Y}}$
Disclosure Pornography		$\mathbf{Y}$
Disclosure Tobacco		$\mathbf{\mathbf{\nabla}}$
Energy and Emissions Intensive Industries		N
Fossil fuels Gambling		Y
Genetically Modified Organisms		$\checkmark$
Illegal Products or Subject to Phase Out		Y
Industries at Risk of Human Rights Violations		Y
Monoculture Agriculture		$\mathbf{Y}$
Nuclear Power or Hazardous Materials		Y
Payday, Short Term, or High Interest Lending		Y
Water Intensive Industries		$\mathbf{\mathbf{Y}}$
Tax Advisory Services		$\checkmark$

#### **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		$\checkmark$
Breaches of Confidential Information		$\mathbf{\mathbf{Y}}$
Bribery, Fraud, or Corruption		$\mathbf{\nabla}$
Company has filed for bankruptcy		$\mathbf{\nabla}$
Consumer Protection		$\mathbf{\nabla}$
Financial Reporting, Taxes, Investments, or Loans		$\searrow$
Hazardous Discharges Into Air/Land/Water (Past 5 Yrs)		$\searrow$
Labor Issues		$\mathbf{\nabla}$
Large Scale Land Conversion, Acquisition, or Relocation		$\mathbf{\mathbf{\nabla}}$
Litigation or Arbitration		$\checkmark$
On-Site Fatality		$\mathbf{\nabla}$
Penalties Assessed For Environmental Issues		$\searrow$
Political Contributions or International Affairs		$\mathbf{Y}$
Recalls		$\checkmark$
Significant Layoffs		$\checkmark$
Violation of Indigenous Peoples Rights		$\checkmark$
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		K
Company/Suppliers Employ Under Age 15 (Or Other ILO Minimum Age)		$\checkmark$
Company prohibits freedom of association/collective bargaining		$\checkmark$
Company workers are prisoners		K
Conduct Business in Conflict Zones		$\checkmark$
Confirmation of Right to Work		K
Does not transparently report corporate financials to government		$\leq$
Employs Individuals on Zero-Hour Contracts		K
Facilities located in sensitive ecosystems		$\mathbf{k}$
ID Cards Withheld or Penalties for Resignation		$\leq$
No formal Registration Under Domestic Regulations		$\leq$
No signed employment contracts for all workers		$\checkmark$
Overtime For Hourly Workers Is Compulsory		$\checkmark$
Payslips not provided to show wage calculation and deductions		$\checkmark$

	Yes	No
Sale of Data		$\checkmark$
Tax Reduction Through Corporate Shells		$\checkmark$
Workers cannot leave site during non-working hours		$\mathbf{k}$
Workers not Provided Clean Drinking Water or Toilets		$\checkmark$
Workers paid below minimum wage		K
Workers Under Bond		K
Other	$\checkmark$	

### 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		K
Negative Social Impact		$\checkmark$
Other		$\checkmark$

## **Disclosure Questionnaire Statement**

**Disclosure Questionnaire Category: Other - Disclosure Industries** 

Торіс	Provision of career counselling and mentorship software to countries classified as authoritarian regimes
Summary of Issue	SkillLab is a software development company based in the Netherlands. The company is dedicated to helping individuals worldwide find employment or education based on their skills. SkillLab currently has relationships with the government or government agencies of the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, specifically a semi-governmental body, providing career counseling and mentorship software. In 2023, the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia is classified as an authoritarian regime by the Economist Intelligence Unit (EIU).
Size/Scope of Issue (e.g. \$ financial implication, # of individuals affected)	During the fiscal year 2023, 75% of SkillLab's revenue came from transactions involving countries classified as having authoritarian regimes.
Impact on Stakeholders	Providing services to countries classified as authoritarian regimes or conflict-affected areas also requires extra due diligence and risk management procedures. According to OECD Guideline (2012) for Managing Risks in Fragile and Transitional Contexts, some of the risk outcomes associated with working in fragile contexts are: (i) the inadvertent fuelling of conflict by aid that becomes part of a war economy, making aid recipients vulnerable; (ii) unintended political bias in the effects of aid; (iii) strategic failure resulting from donors' inability to co-ordinate their political strategies; (iv) political risks for the recipient government associated with donor-driven rather than country-driven aid support; (v) negative impact of aid flows on macroeconomic stability; and (vi) economic risks and opportunities linked to using local instead of international procurement.

Implemented Management Practices	The client of SkillLab is a semi-governmental body of the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, specializing in information technology, that does not have influence over SkillLab. According to the SkillLab License Terms and Conditions Agreement, the client receives a perpetual license to use the software licenses and to receive professional services. The client does not have the right to impose any restrictions or directives on SkillLab. The service agreement states that SkillLab acts as an independent contractor and is not an agent or employee of the client. SkillLab services are delivered online and are offered nationwide within Saudi Arabia, focusing on career guidance. The service includes tasks such as evaluation of the current status of the career development and guidance platform, comparison with similar professional guidance platforms, development of the platform model, identity, and content, mapping between the framework of professions, as well as the classification of education levels and specializations. Skillab's product is designed to be used by the Human Resources Development Fund of the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia and is limited to being used as a career development platform.
Management Comments	Based on B Lab's Risk Standards, SkillLab's management comment aims to further emphasise the risk-free nature of the company's operations. Firstly, SkillLab operates independently, free from government influence or control, with no ownership or directives from state entities. Secondly, our services in Saudi Arabia are delivered online, ensuring secure and equitable access nationwide, without regional or geographic risks. Thirdly, products and services are meticulously designed to create a positive impact by promoting equal opportunities for all job seekers. Concretely, the target metrics for our projects in Saudi Arabia are the increase in female workforce participation and the reduction of youth unemployment. Fourthly, our collaboration with Tamkeen Technologies is limited to a department dedicated to education and career development, which presents no risk, as our work is rooted in fostering innovation and inclusivity. Therefore, based on these indicators, it can be concluded that SkillLab upholds B-Corp values by maintaining ethical practices and ensuring our operations remain entirely risk-free.