

# **KTG Suisse**

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

#### **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		<b>V</b>	
Breaches of Confidential Information		N	
Bribery, Fraud, or Corruption		V	
Company has filed for bankruptcy		V	
Consumer Protection		V	
Financial Reporting, Taxes, Investments, or Loans		V	
Hazardous Discharges Into Air/Land/Water (Past 5 Yrs)		N	
Labor Issues			
Large Scale Land Conversion, Acquisition, or Relocation		N	
Litigation or Arbitration		N	
On-Site Fatality		$\searrow$	
Penalties Assessed For Environmental Issues		V	
Political Contributions or International Affairs		N	
Recalls		V	
Significant Layoffs		V	
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		K
Company/Suppliers Employ Under Age 15 (Or Other ILO Minimum Age)		V
Company prohibits freedom of association/collective bargaining		$\searrow$
Company workers are prisoners		$\searrow$
Conduct Business in Conflict Zones		$\checkmark$
Confirmation of Right to Work		V
Does not transparently report corporate financials to government		$\searrow$
Employs Individuals on Zero-Hour Contracts		K
Facilities located in sensitive ecosystems		N
ID Cards Withheld or Penalties for Resignation		\
No formal Registration Under Domestic Regulations		\
No signed employment contracts for all workers		V
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		V
Workers cannot leave site during non-working hours		V
Workers not Provided Clean Drinking Water or Toilets		$\searrow$
Workers paid below minimum wage		N
Workers Under Bond		$\checkmark$
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		$\checkmark$
Negative Social Impact		$\checkmark$
Other		$\checkmark$



## **Disclosure Questionnaire Statement**

Disclosure Questionnaire Category: Other - Disclosure - Marketing of Breastmilk Substitutes

Issue Date	Ongoing
Topic	The company provided marketing services to breastmilk substitute clients
Summary of Issue	KTG Suisse is a supermarket based in Switzerland that, among the products they sell, also sells and distributes Breastmilk Substitutes from birth, for infants of 6 months, 10 months, and 12 months. The company sells European brands such as Holle and Babybio.  B Lab recognises the marketing of breastmilk substitutes as a controversial industry and, as such, has implemented additional risk standards for companies working in this sector.
Size/Scope of Issue (e.g. \$ financial implication, # of individuals affected)	The company currently sells 6 breastmilk substitute products. In FY2023, revenue from clients in the breast milk substitute industry accounted for less than 1%.
Impact on Stakeholders	The marketing practices of companies involved in the production and sale of breastmilk substitutes (defined by the WHO as products for infants aged 36 months and under), are controversial because of the risk that certain marketing practices may create an undue influence on a mother's choice to breastfeed, which could in turn negatively impact the health of infants.
Implemented Management Practices	KTG Switzerland does not currently have a formal policy on the marketing of breast-milk substitutes (BMS). The products that fall under the breastmilk substitute category can be seen in the link below. All 5 products have the following statement on the front of their packaging: "Breastfeeding is best for your baby." In Switzerland, where the company operates, there is a public health policy that actively promotes breastfeeding, supported by national campaigns, in particular by the Swiss Foundation for the Promotion of Breastfeeding. This policy is also reflected in indirect measures, such as unfavorable import taxes on breast-milk substitutes, which encourage the promotion of breastfeeding.



	The company is in the process of drawing up an exhaustive list of the products they market that could be considered as Breastmilk substitutes or complementary foods according to the WHO definition
Report	<ul> <li>KTG Suisse Breastmilk Substitutes</li> <li>The International Code of Marketing of Breastmilk Substitutes</li> <li>BMS Call to Action</li> <li>B Lab Controversial Issues Statement: Marketing of Breastmilk Substitutes</li> </ul>



## **Disclosure Questionnaire Statement**

**Disclosure Questionnaire Category: Alcohol** 

**KTG Suisse SA** is involved in the production or sale of alcohol. Alcohol may have a negative impact on the health and well-being of individuals and their communities, particularly in cases of over-consumption, addiction, or under-age drinking. Certified B Corps are required to make transparent their involvement in such industries.