

1 Vind Group Transparency Act reporting for 2022

Every year, Vind must carry out due diligence assessments in accordance with the Transparency Act and publish a report of our assessments. The purpose of the Transparency Act is to promote companies' respect for fundamental human rights and decent working conditions.

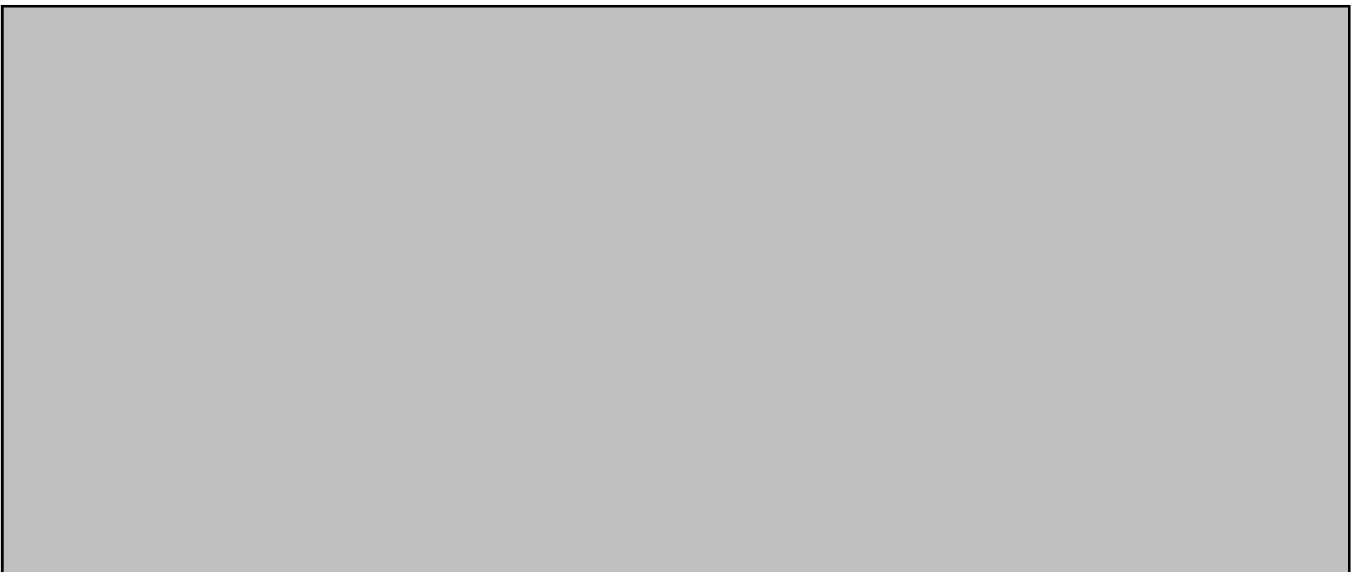
This report includes the findings from the due diligence assessments the group has carried out from 1 July 2022 until today. In the report, we explain the measures that have been assessed and implemented to reduce the risk of negative consequences that the group's activity may have for basic human rights and decent working conditions.

2 About Vind group

Vind owns private and publicly listed companies located worldwide. We are normally majority owners in the businesses in our Industry Area, while we hold minority stakes in the listed businesses in our Equity Area. We specialize in software for professionals, laboratory science, measurement technology, specialized industrial products and other niche sectors.

Vind seeks to fully empower the executives of our Industry Area companies. Vind favors a decentralized management structure with all decisions taken within each business where executives and board members are held accountable for the performance. We want to continue, and ideally boost, entrepreneurship, innovation and initiative in the companies. Each company retains, and continues to develop, a separate identity and distinct culture that reflect its specific business space and history. Hence, we do not have a common set of routines or a Vind Policy that all our companies need to follow.

Vind group companies have more than 500 employees. The majority is located in Western Europe and in the US. Some employees are operating from Eastern Europe and Asia.



3 Internal guidelines

The Board of Directors of Vind have been briefed on the approach for how the group carries out its due diligence assessment and assessment of measures. The approach was discussed and adopted by the board on 30 January 2023.

Measures implemented during 2022 and spring 2023

- Review of Vind internal ESG checklist, where all group companies have made self-assessment on risk and consequences for any violation of local laws and global ethical standards for the groups own employees and the employees of suppliers, sub suppliers and business partners.
- Identification and review of all major suppliers of the group
- Periodical assessment of risk for violations of fundamental human rights and decent working conditions
- Review of group companies' ethical guidelines (Code of Conduct)

Upcoming measures – to be implemented in 2023 and 2024

- Further develop the due diligence assessments based on experience
- Establish a Vind best practice for ensuring the respect for fundamental human rights and decent working conditions
- Implement periodic review of fundamental human rights and decent working conditions on the board meeting agenda for Group companies
- Evaluate whether to establish a confidential Vind notification channel for reporting on objectionable or questionable conditions

4 Due Diligence Assessment

4.1 Actions performed

We have performed mapping and assessment of actual and potential negative consequences for fundamental human rights and decent working conditions that the group has either caused or contributed to, or that are directly linked to the group's business activities through supply chains or business partners. Supply chains mean any participant in the chain of suppliers and sub-suppliers who supply services and goods. We have limited our survey to only include direct suppliers.

Our subsidiaries have made their assessment locally and documented their findings in the Vind internal control and ESG checklist. The group management has reviewed and challenged the self-assessments made by the subsidiaries.

4.2 Results from the due diligence assessment

Software for Professionals:

The employees are located mostly in the Nordics and Western Europe. R&D departments are located in Hungary, Lithuania and India. The type of work performed at the companies requires a high level of competence and education, with low risk of any violation of laws and regulations. Working conditions and wages have been reviewed by the management of each of the companies.

There have not identified any material suppliers or business partners for the software companies, as most of their activities are performed in-house.

Laboratory Science:

The employees are located mostly in the Nordics and in the US. The type of work performed at the companies requires high level of competence and education, reducing the risk any violation of laws and regulations. Working conditions and wages have been reviewed by management each of the companies.

The companies use suppliers from Western Europe and the US. As for the employees, working for their suppliers requires high level of competence and education which reduces the risk of any violation of laws and regulations. The companies have some minor suppliers located in Eastern Asia (Taiwan and China), where working conditions may not be as regulated and supervised as in Western Europe. However, our due diligence has not revealed any irregularities.

Measurement Technology:

The employees are mostly located in Denmark and the UK. Working conditions and wages have been reviewed by management of the companies.

Suppliers are mostly located in the Nordics and in the UK. However, some of the suppliers have factories and production located in Eastern Asia (Thailand), where working conditions may not be as regulated and supervised as in Western Europe. However, our due diligence has not revealed any irregularities.

4.3 Measures to stop, prevent or limit identified negative consequences

Vind has not identified any areas for breaches and/or high risk of future breaches and has consequently not implemented any measures due to findings from the due diligence.

5 Conclusion

Vind has not identified any actual violations or major risks for violation of human rights or decent working conditions

Vind assesses that our companies operate in industries and in locations where there is a low risk of breaches in key areas such as business conduct, Health, Safety & Environment, human rights and working conditions. The nature of our companies demands a high level of education and expertise due to the type of products and services the companies deliver to their customers and receives from their suppliers.

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