# ASPI GROUP ANTI-CORRUPTION GUIDELINE

Information for subgrantees



#### **Foreword**



Autostrade per l'Italia has adopted the ASPI Group's "Anti-Corruption Guideline" by implementing a Management System for the Prevention of Corruption, in line with the International Standard **UNI ISO 37001:2016.** 

In its commitment to the prevention of corruption, ASPI considers it essential to make its **subgrantees** aware of the anti-corruption measures adopted by the Company and especially of the content of the **Group's Anti-Corruption Guideline**, making them aware of the obligations imposed on them as "Recipients" of it.



This document is for disclosure purposes only and cannot in any way replace the Group's Anti-Corruption Guideline, which is the reference document for Recipients. In case of conflict between the two documents, the text of the Anti-Corruption Guideline will always prevail.



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### 1. Anticorruption Guideline: where to find it



The guideline is in the public domain, downloadable from the <u>Autostrade per</u> <u>l'Italia website</u>

(highways.co.uk/who we are/Anti-Corruption Guideline)



#### 2. The Recipients of the Guideline



**ASPI Group Staff** 



Those who collaborate or act on behalf of or for and/or in the interest of the Group



**Third Parties of ASPI** 



- The Group does not tolerate corruption in any form
- The Group does not allow exceptions to the requirements and prohibitions in the Guideline
- The belief that one is acting for the benefit of the Group can in no way justify the adoption of behavior that is contrary to the principles and rules set forth in the Guideline



### 3. The "Zero Corruption" Manifesto of the ASPI Group.



#### **MANIFESTO**

Corruption is a global issue that we have a duty to fight to ensure a sustainable future for the next generation

- **TARGET ZERO CORRUPTION**
- Commitment to convince that corruption can be eliminated.
- 2 LEAD BY EXAMPLE

Commitment to developing a culture of Business Integrity at all levels of the company through the dedication and example of top management.

**2.** HUMAN RIGHTS & ANTI-CORRUPTION

Commitment to spreading the idea that corruption is a crime that can limit human rights and contribute to inequality.

- **A STIMULATE RESPONSIBLE CONDUCT** 
  - Commitment to building trust at all levels to incentivize responsible behavior by breaking down resistance and barriers to change.
- ZERO TOLERANCE

Commitment to disseminate clear rules and firm sanctions for the prevention of corruption, not tolerating exceptions to prescriptions and prohibitions.

- PROTECT ALERTS
- Commitment to support and protect whistleblowers and whistleblowers by providing a safe and transparent environment.
- 7 ADVANCED TRAINING

Commitment to implement training and awareness paths for all staff and critical Third Parties.

**COMMUNICATION AS A VALUE** 

Commitment to ensure, through innovative and pervasive communication, the dissemination of principles, values and rules in order to align the perception of consequences with reality.

- TECHNOLOGY IN THE SERVICE OF
  - TEACHTE NSM technological and innovative solutions as tools for fighting corruption.
- TURNING COMMITMENT INTO ACTION
- Translate commitments into specific and concrete actions that demonstrate determination in achieving goals in the fight against Corruption.

#### STATEMENT OF COMMITMENTS IN THE FIGHT AGAINST CORRUPTION

In carrying out its activities, the Group is guided by the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) defined by the United Nations 2030 Agenda

In this regard, the Group is committed to achieving the **goal of "Zero Corruption"** through the 10 rules within the Manifesto



#### 4. The selection and management of sub-grantees



**SELECTION CRITERIA** 

The selection of sub-concessionaires shall be made in compliance with the criteria of transparency, traceability, publicity, free competition, non-discrimination, and equal treatment



FAIRNESS, GOOD FAITH, AND COMPLIANCE WITH THE LAW AND CONTRACT CONDITIONS

Correspondence and dialogue with sublicensees must be guided by the principles of **fairness and good faith** in line with the strictest business practices. In dealings with sublicensees, **applicable legal provisions** and **contractually stipulated conditions** must be observed and complied with



**ANTI-CORRUPTION DUE DILIGENCE** 

Sub-licensees are required to **provide information**, **documents and statements** requested by ASPI for the purpose of Anti-Bribery Due Diligence\*



<sup>\*</sup> In case of refusal of the counterparty subjected to Due Diligence to provide the requested information, documents, or sign the statements, ASPI will consider its interest in the establishment/continuation of the relationship as outdated.

#### 5. Some focus on sub-grantees



Giveaways and representation expenses

Make only gifts according to common and/or business professional courtesy practice that are appropriate, reasonable and of modest value (< €150 understood also cumulative threshold in the year)



Relationships with the Public Administration

- Observe anticorruption regulations
- Do not harm the integrity and reputation of ASPI
- Do not try to improperly influence the decision of the institution concerned



Facilitation payments

**Do not make** facilitation payments for any reason



Benefits undue

Do not offer, promise, accept or demand undue benefits, economic or otherwise, from a third party (public or private) as an inducement or reward for acting or omitting actions



**Conflicts of interest** 

Certify that there are no conflicts of interest, declaring any changes during the course of the relationship in a timely manner



### 6. Consequences of non-compliance with the Guideline

In case of non-compliance with the Anti-Bribery Guideline by sub-grantees, ASPI may cancel the establishment of the relationship or impose the termination of contractual relationships



ASPI contract standards contain the **Ethics Clauses** 



The Third Part
Commits to compliance
with the Anti-Bribery
Guideline



Failure to comply with the Guideline constitutes a **breach of contract** 



Through the *Ethics Clauses*, the Third Party agrees to abide by the standards and principles set forth in a number of documents adopted by ASPI, including the Anti-Bribery Guideline.

Failure to comply with these documents will constitute a breach of contract, pursuant to Article 1456 of the Civil Code, which may result in the **application of remedial measures up to and including termination of the contract,** depending on the severity of the violation and the extent of risk exposure for ASPI

#### 7. Reporting a violation of the Guideline



#### MANAGEMENT OF REPORTS IN THE ASPI GROUP

Anyone can make a report of a violation - even a suspected violation - of the regulations or the Anti-Bribery Guideline (benefiting from the **protections** provided by Legislative Decree no. 24/2023) through a special **IT platform**.

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## Thank you

