

OECD-guidelines

General

The OECD guidelines are government recommendations that include guidelines and standards for corporate social responsibility in accordance with current legislation. These are voluntary principles and not legally enforceable. See www.oesrichtlijnen.nl.

WaarborgHolland respects the current policy in China and will adapt its working methods so that the positions of other interested parties are guaranteed. In particular, WaarborgHolland will:

- Contribute to social and economic development in China;
- Respect human rights in China affected by the consequences of its activities;
- Comply at all times with current rules governing employment, health and safety and environmental issues;
- Avoid, along with its management, improper interference in political issues.

Communications

WaarborgHolland will disclose relevant information about its activities abroad on an annual basis. Where possible, this information will be broken down according to geographical region.

Employment

WaarborgHolland will never use child labour. Employees must therefore provide proof of identity to the manager. WaarborgHolland will not become involved in any way whatsoever with forced labour or hard labour.

Fighting corruption

WaarborgHolland shall not, directly or indirectly, offer, promise, give or require any unlawful inducements in order to obtain work or other unlawful benefits. WaarborgHolland will comply at all times with the procedures established by the WaarborgHolland quality system.

Consumer interests

As stated under the heading 'Fighting Corruption', WaarborgHolland also complies with its quality system in its work abroad. The tasks and responsibilities concerning honest trading and consumer protection as also set out in the Dutch 1986 Assay Act (*Waarborgwet 1986*) will be undertaken under accreditation.

Science and Technology

WaarborgHolland will work towards a close working relationship with China. WaarborgHolland will continue to manage its satellite companies, and its commercial contacts, from Gouda, the Netherlands.