

Catalogue of measures for the GIZ Child Protection Policy

Areas of responsibility	Existing measures
Supply chain	 General Terms and Conditions of Contract (AVB): A new, legally binding version that explicitly addresses the issue of child protection has been approved and has been in force since August 2020. General Conditions of Purchase (AEB): The AEB were revised and published in 2021. They focus on the purchase of materials and equipment but should be read in conjunction with the AVB. Sustainable Procurement Policy: The Policy was published in 2021 and drafted in line with various internal GIZ strategies. Besides covering corporate social responsibility, compliance with process transparency and the rules of fair competition, as well as the promotion of integrity, the Policy formulates the expectation that business partners respect laws and international agreements, including human rights and child protection. Product risk categories: The analysis focused particularly on 'human rights and child protection'. Based on the analysis, 27 materials and seven services were identified for which sustainability criteria will be defined continuously together with internal and external experts.
Business processes	 GIZ's Whistleblower Portal explicitly includes a 'Human rights' category. Information on child protection can be communicated under this category. Processing procedure: A standardised and transparent processing procedure with deadlines was developed for the Whistleblower Portal.





Business processes	 The procedure for processing complaints of sexual misconduct has been improved. To ensure that children are protected from business travellers, we have bound our domestic travel service provider to sign <u>The Code</u>. GIZ's <u>Code of Ethics</u> explicitly prohibits sexual misconduct and considers sexual contact with children a criminal offence.
	 Guidelines on using images of children and social media: Guidelines contain information on taking photographs and making videos of children that conform to data protection and legal requirements. It also includes a document for <u>Approval of the use of photographs/videos.</u>
Project work	The main tool used in the integrated context and human rights analysis (iPCA) to audit aspects of child protection has been further refined: specific key questions on documenting the context and identifying any unintended negative impacts that projects may have in terms of violence against children (including in the digital sphere) have now been included.

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