



Report on

Responsible Business Conduct 2020

for Granit Funktion

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SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS



To Readers Of The Report

Business is key for the achievement of the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). A well-functioning and responsible business community contributes to sustainable development through job creation and innovative solutions to global challenges. However, business operations can also have a negative impact on people, the planet and the society. Members of Ethical Trade Norway have committed themselves to work with due diligence for a more sustainable business practice.

The basis of this work is Ethical Trade Norway's Declaration of Principles, which covers the decent work agenda, human rights, environment/climate, anti-corruption and animal welfare. Members are obliged to report annually on challenges they face and on measures carried out to address these. The reporting template is this year for the first time based on the OECD due diligence model. It is new for us and new for our members. It is this report you are currently holding in your hands. The report is publicly available on our website.

The template seeks to respond to the expectations concerning due diligence for responsible business conduct as described in the UN Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights and OECD Guidelines for Multinational Enterprises. Ethical Trade Norway's report covers essential elements of the Global Report Initiative (GRI) reporting framework and can be used as a progress report for the Global Compact.

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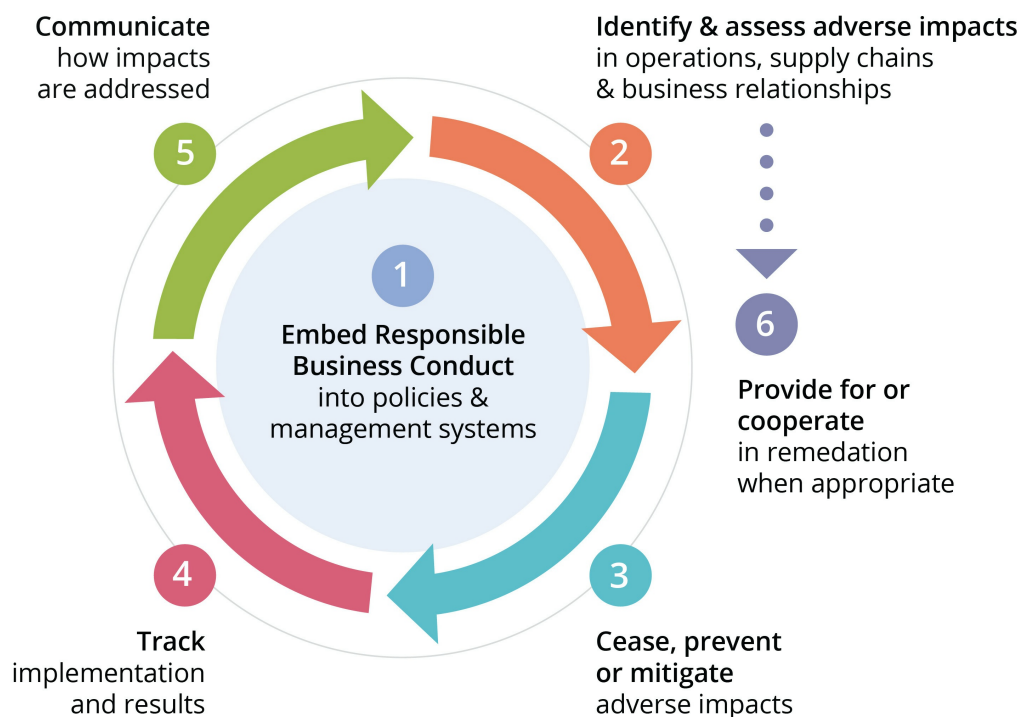
Executive Director

Ethical Trade Norway

Due diligence

This report is based on the UN Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights and the OECD model for Due Diligence for Responsible Business Conduct.

The model has six steps that describe how companies can work for more responsible and sustainable business practice. However, being good at due diligence does not mean no negative impact on people, planet and the society. It means that the company is open and honest about challenges faced and shows how this is managed in the best possible way in collaboration with its stakeholders. This report is divided in chapters following the OECD model.



Preface From CEO

The year of 2020 has been very interesting for Granit.

It has been a year in which our entire business model has been challenged due to Covid.

The virus has had a major impact on our markets in Scandinavia and our suppliers in Asia (mainly India and China).

We started out with the conviction that neutrally looking products of great quality will last longer than the very trendy piece which “must” be thrown out since the shade went out of fashion. We still have the same conviction.

Throughout the years we have worked with Ethical Trade in different manners, and the one thing that we have done better in 2020 is in collaboration with our new sourcing office in China and increased collaboration with our agent i India.

Our strategies regarding SRM (Supplier Relationship Management) has taken Granit closer to the suppliers. We are now focusing on mapping out all suppliers and sub-suppliers to assembly production site level. Having acquired a better understanding of this, and also having set up a routine to continuously scoop up all new suppliers, map them, evaluate them (CSR and technical audits) and communicate our priorities with them. Furthermore are we closing collaborations were Granit doesn't have full knowledge and understanding about the production.

The Ethical Trade Initiative in Norway has an incomparable know how of Ethical Trade and Granit are very satisfied with our membership, which now is more than five years.

Johan Palmqvist
Purchasing Director

Company information and business context

Key company information

Company name

Granit Funktion

Head office address

Hornsgatan 1, 118 46 Stockholm, Sweden

Main brands, products and services offered by the company

We sell Granit products in our own stores. Our products range from home interior, lighting, bags, delicatessen, kitchen ware, plants, bathroom accessories.

Description of company structure

Currently 39 shops in Norway, Sweden, Finland and Germany and E-commerce in Sweden, Finland, Germany and the rest of the EU.

Turnover in reporting year (NOK)

280 000 000

Number of employees

128

Major changes to the company since last reporting period (mergers, acquisitions etc.)

Contact person for the report (name and title)

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Supply chain information

General description of the supply chain and the company's sourcing model

With Granits new partner in China has Granit moved closer to the Suppliers with new monitoring tools. In 2019 did Granit start a collaboration with an Indian agent that enabled Granit to have increase support in our daily business in the area.

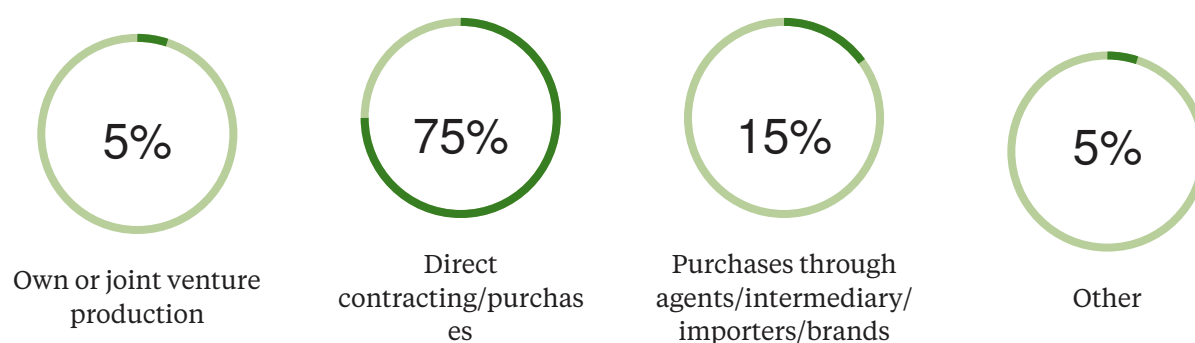
Number of suppliers with which the company had commercial relations in the reporting year

113

Comments to number of suppliers

Granit has during the year changed many of the Suppliers in China and Granit is closing collaborations were Granit doesn't have full knowledge and understanding about the production.

Approximate ratio by sourcing options



List of first tier suppliers (producers) by country



State the number of workers at first tier suppliers (producers) that the company has an overview of and the number of suppliers this overview is based on

Number of workers

Number of suppliers

Comments to number of workers

Key inputs/raw materials and associated geographies

linnen	India
cotton	India
cast iron	India
wood (birch)	Lithuania
wood (bamboo)	China
stainless steel	China
paraffin	China
stoneware	China
glas	China
plastic	China
porcelain	China

Is the company a supplier to the public sector?

No

Goals and progress

Goals and progress for the reporting year

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Goal : Increase knowledge and understanding for European Standards and CSR requirements in collaboration with our Asian suppliers

Status : This goal has been put on hold due to Covid and the limited possibility to visit the Suppliers on site.

Goal for coming years



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Governance and commitment to responsible business conduct

Commitment to sustainability means that the business should have relevant policies and codes of conducts in place, as well as effective management systems for implementing them. Central to this is the company's work with due diligence. This means, among other things, the business need strategies and action plans for how the company identifies and manages its risk of negative impact on people, society and the environment, including through business relationships and in the supply chain. Systematic management of such risks will strengthen the company's contribution to the Sustainable Development Goals. Strong commitment from top-management, and clear division of the responsibility for conducting due diligence is key. Those involved need to know how to proceed. Sustainability should be an integral part of business operations. Essential to this is transparency on the company's commitments, challenges faced and measures undertaken to manage those challenges.

1.A Policy commitment

1.A.1 What does the company say publicly about its commitment to respect people, society and the environment?

At Granit Funktion & Förvaring AB, (below referred to as “Granit”) we promote decent working and environmental standards in our supply chains. This code of conduct illustrates what we expect of our suppliers and business partners. We want to make sure that nobody whose work contributes to our success is deprived of his/her rights as a human and as a worker. We also want to make sure that our production does not cause unnecessary harm to animals or the environment.

1.A.2 How is the commitment/policy developed and how is it anchored in the company?

1.B Organisation and internal communication

1.B.1 How is the work with responsible business conduct organised within the company and why in this particular way?

Granit has recently added a new Sustainability, CSR & Supplier Responsible manager in our organization.

1.B.2 How are employees made aware of the ways in which responsible business conduct should inform their decisions and actions?

internal education

1.B.3 How does the company make sure employees have adequate competencies to work towards implementing responsible business conduct?

New employees are informed and are expected to read all available material regarding our strategies, goals and overall multiple responsibilities.

1.C. Plans and resources

1.C.1 How is the company's commitment to respect people, society and the environment rooted in strategies and action plans?

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1.C.2 How is the company's strategies and action plans to work towards being responsible and sustainable followed up in top management and in the board?

The top management at Granit has a clear instruction to educate and support the entire organization.

1.D Partnerships and collaboration with business associates, such as suppliers

1.D.1 How does the company make clear in its business relationships (in particular in the supply chain) the importance it places on responsible business conduct?

Granit has educated staff at our office in China that supports and help suppliers understanding our CSR requirements.

In Europe are the Senior Buyers in contact with the suppliers and via the Code of Conduct and most importantly our "Commercial Agreement" are the Business conduct regulated.

1.E Lessons learned and changes

1.E.1 What lessons has the company learned during the reporting period concerning sustainability, and what has changed as a result?

The main lesson in 2020 is that our visits to the supplier and creating a relationship and understanding with Suppliers is very important. Due to Covid has our possibilities to conduct visits been limited.

A man with a slight smile, wearing a white hairnet and a dark blue long-sleeved shirt, is looking towards the camera. He is in a factory or industrial setting, with blurred machinery and structures in the background. The lighting is soft, highlighting his face.

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Defining the focus for reporting

Identify and assess the company's impact on people, society and environment

“Identify and assess” is about identifying the company's risk for, and actual negative impact on, people, society and the environment, including in the supply chain and through business relations. As a first step the company should get an overall risk picture, before subsequently prioritising measures where the risk of negative impact is the greatest, i.e. salient issues. How the company is involved in the negative impact is central to determine the right actions to take. Involvement of stakeholders, especially those affected, is central when assessing risks. It is also important to consult with stakeholders when implementing measures to manage the negative impact.

2.A Mapping and prioritising

STATEMENT ON SALIENT ISSUES

Prioritising one or more risk areas on the basis of severity does not mean that some risks are more important than others, or that the company should not take action on other risks, but that risks with the greatest negative impact are prioritised first. Mapping and prioritisation are a continuous process.

2.A.1 In the table below state the salient issues associated with the company's activities and business relationships, particularly in the supply chain and during the reporting period

Salient issue	Related topic	Geography

DETERMINATION OF SALIENT ISSUES

2.A.2 Describe how the salient issues were determined, in terms of processes and sources of information, including any input from stakeholders

ADDITIONAL SEVERE IMPACTS

2.A.3 Identify any severe impacts on people, society and the environment that occurred or were still being addressed during the reporting period, but which fall outside of the salient issues, and explain how they have been addressed.

A woman in a blue surgical cap and gown, looking down, in a hospital setting. The background is blurred, showing other people in similar attire and bright overhead lights.

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Management of salient issues

Cease, prevent or mitigate negative impacts

“Cease, prevent and mitigate” is about managing findings in a way that contributes to a sustainable and responsible business conduct. The most severe negative impact on people, society and the environment should be prioritised first. This does not mean that other risks are less important or that they are not handled. The way the company is involved in the negative impact is central to taking the right action. Negative impact that the company causes or contributes to must cease, and the business must work to prevent and mitigate such risk. To address negative impact directly linked to the company, e.g. in the supply chain, the business must use its leverage to influence the entity causing the adverse impact to cease, prevent or mitigate it. This involves developing and implementing plans and routines to manage risk and may require changes to the company's policy documents and management systems. Effective management of the negative impact on people, society and the environment is a major contribution to the achievement of the SDGs.

3. A Cease, prevent or mitigate

3.A.1 For each salient issue in your supply chain, add a goal, status and describe specific actions and progress made in the reporting year

Salient issue	
Goal :	
Status :	
Objectives in reporting year :	

Actions :

Cross-cutting actions related to management of negative impact:

Describe cross-cutting actions to cease, prevent or mitigate negative impacts, including in your supply chain

3.B.1 Reduction of environmental and climate footprint

3.B.2 Adapting own purchasing practices (sourcing)

3.B.3 Choice of product design and of raw materials

3.B.4 Actively support free trade union organisation and collective bargaining, or where the law does not allow it, actively support other forms of democratically elected worker representation.

3.B.5 Contribute to development, capacity building and training of suppliers and workers in the supply chain:

3.B.6 Other plans and measures taken to deal with salient issue



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Track implementation and results

Tracking implementation of actions and results is key to the company's due diligence process. For example, is the identifying and prioritisation of salient issues done in a scientifically sound and credible way? Does it reflect real conditions in the supply chain? Do measures aimed at ceasing, preventing and reducing the company's negative impact work as intended? Is negative impact remediated where relevant? This may apply to actions taken by the company alone or carried out in collaboration with others. Companies must have procedures and systems to track their implementation and results in order to assess them. The company's experience with due diligence is used to improve processes and results in the future.

4.A Monitoring and assessment

4.A.1 Describe responsibilities and procedures within the company for tracking performance with respect to due diligence activities

4.A.2 Describe how the company evaluates the effect of its own efforts, or those made by suppliers (and other business relations), to identify, prevent and mitigate salient issues

A woman with dark hair tied back, wearing a light blue button-down shirt and a brown leather apron, is looking down at a large, round, metal tray with several circular indentations. The background is a blurred kitchen or industrial setting.

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Communicate how impacts are addressed

Relevant external communication on company due diligence for responsible business conduct needs to build on specific activities and results. This include external communication of policies and codes of conduct, or processes and activities related to identifying and managing the company's actual and potential negative impact on people, society and the environment. Communication should also include findings, effects and results of concrete actions or activities.

5.A External communication

5.A.1 Describe how the company communicates with affected stakeholders when managing its salient issues

Granit has an "internal" webpage called the Box. This is where the company communicates our internal issues.

5.A.2 Describe how the company communicates publicly about its own work on identifying and management of salient issues

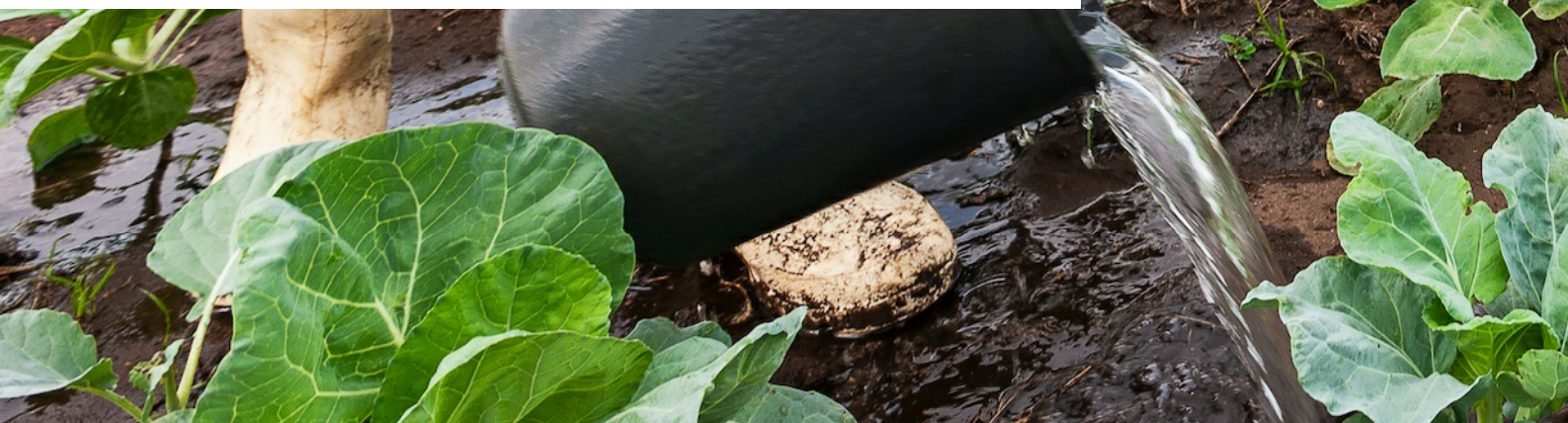
using our webpage.



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Provide for or cooperate to ensure remediation when appropriate

Once a company has identified that it has caused or contributed to negative impact on people, society or the environment, the company must provide for, or cooperate to ensure remediation. Remediation may involve financial compensation, a public apology or other ways to remediate the negative impact. When appropriate, companies should provide for or cooperate with legitimate remediation mechanisms through which impacted stakeholders and rights holders can raise complaints.



6.A Remediation

6.A.1 Describe the company's policy for remediation of negative impacts on people, society and the environment

6.A.2 Describe cases of remediation in reporting year, if relevant

6.B Secure access to grievance mechanisms

6.B.1 Describe what the company does do to ensure that workers and communities have access to effective remediation mechanisms, when appropriate:

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