

# Transparency Act Statement 2024

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### The following is the annual account of due diligence activities for the reporting period pursuant to Sections 4 and 5 of the Transparency Act<sup>1</sup>.

<sup>1</sup> Lov om virksomheters åpenhet og arbeid med grunnleggende menneskerettigheter og anstendige arbeidsforhold (åpenhetsloven) 2022

<sup>2</sup> https://www.prosafe.com/wp-content/uploads/2024/11/Prosafe-Code-of-Conductv2-261124-final.pdf

#### **1.** Prosafe and the Transparency Act

Prosafe is committed to the highest standards of business ethics and shall comply with all applicable laws, including the Norwegian Transparency Act and the UK Modern Slavery Act, regulations and the Company's policies and procedures.

To meet the requirements of the Transparency Act, Prosafe endeavours to ensure that its Health, Safety, Security, Environmental, Quality (HSSEQ) and Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) principles, including those relating to conflicts of interest, Anti-corruption, Human Rights, and Labour Standards are integrated in our operations and those of our Supply Chain.

The information of this report is valid for Prosafe SE and its consolidated subsidiaries, these include, but are not limited to Prosafe AS, Prosafe Offshore Ltd, Prosafe Offshore Pte Ltd and Prosafe Rigs Pte Ltd.

#### **1.1** Reporting under the Transparency Act

The Norwegian Transparency Act came into force on 1<sup>st</sup> July 2022. The Act established legal requirements for larger enterprises' duty to report on Human Rights due diligence, and their work to ensure compliance with fundamental Human Rights and decent working conditions within the enterprises, in their Supply Chains, and with their business partners.

The Transparency Act aims to promote enterprises' respect for fundamental Human Rights and decent working conditions and ensure that consumers, organisations, trade unions, journalists and the general public have access to information.

#### 2. Organisation and area of operations

Prosafe is a leading owner and operator of offshore accommodation and units for safety and maintenance vessels. The Prosafe group consists of the Norwegian parent company, Prosafe SE, which is listed on the Oslo Stock Exchange, and a number of wholly owned subsidiaries in the countries where the Company has operations.

Prosafe is headquartered in Norway and has offices in Aberdeen (Scotland), Rio de Janeiro (Brazil) and Singapore. Prosafe's vessels can operate in most offshore environments, but our principal operations are in the North Sea (Norway and the United Kingdom) and Brazil.

The ultimate responsibility for complying with the Transparency Act and Human Rights lies with Prosafe's Board of Directors.

More information can be found on www.prosafe.com

#### 2.1 Prosafe's commitment to Human Rights

Prosafe acts in accordance with internationally recognised Human Rights and Labour Standards, including the International Bill of Human Rights, the United Nations Guiding principles on Business and Human Rights, the ten principles of the UN Global Compact and the principles concerning fundamental rights set out in the International Labour Organisation's (ILO) Declaration on Fundamental Principles and Rights at Work.

The Company endeavours to ensure that its operations and those of its suppliers and partners are conducted in accordance with basic Human Rights standards. This statement of support can also be found in Prosafe's CSR Policy and in Prosafe's Code of Conduct<sup>2</sup>.

In 2022, Prosafe launched a stand-alone Human Rights Policy<sup>1,</sup> anchored in our existing firm commitment to respecting Human Rights expressed in the Code of Conduct. The Policy is aligned with the requirements of the International Bill of Rights and the ILO Fundamental Conventions and is approved by the Board. This Policy applies to all employees, contractors, and consultants in the Prosafe group (Prosafe SE and its subsidiaries). We expect our suppliers and business partners to respect and adhere to this policy and share our commitment to respect internationally recognized Human Rights and Labour Standards.

Our Code of Conduct, Human Rights and Labour Standards are addressed in Section 2 of our Approved Supplier Verification Questionnaire (ASVQ) and suppliers are asked to confirm acceptance and adherence when managing their own Supply Chains. When contracting with our key suppliers we include our Code of Conduct as part of the Agreement/Contract which is then signed by both parties.

<sup>1</sup> <u>https://www.prosafe.com/wp-content/uploads/2024/01/Human-Rights-Policy.pdf</u>

<sup>2</sup> <u>https://freedomhouse.org/explore-the-map?type=fiw&year=2024</u>

#### 3. Human Rights-related risks in Prosafe's operations

Prosafe operates in the international oil and gas industry which is a strictly regulated industry with a strong presence of trade unions.

In 2024, Prosafe had offices and/or operations in five countries scoring 98, 91, 83, 72, and 48, respectively in the internationally recognized Freedom in the World report<sup>2</sup> by Freedom House which assesses political rights and civil liberties for 210 countries. In their annual report they use numerical ratings from 0: Not free to 98: Free. The lowest score of 48 is for Singapore and is mainly related to political freedom and civil liberties. Our Singapore activities consist of seven employees with wage levels and working conditions at par with Company practice.

Prosafe's approach to respecting Human Rights starts with the Company's commitment to its workforce. This includes ensuring that staff are treated fairly and without discrimination and have a healthy, safe, and secure working environment, in addition to respecting their right to freedom of association and right to negotiate and cooperate through relevant representative bodies.

# **3.1 Risk of negative consequences for Human rights and Labour Standards**

As a global offshore service company operating in harsh environments, the nature of our business has inherent risks related to safety, the environment, and potentially Human Rights violations. Prosafe has a zero-mindset philosophy in respect of matters relating to HSSEQ and shall endeavour to minimise risk and harm to personnel, assets, and the environment. Operations in the North Sea are supported by several European Original Equipment Manufacturers (OEM) that provide equipment, spares, and servicing of critical vessel equipment. Operations are highly regulated in the North Sea and as such the risks for breaches of Human Rights and Labour Standards are deemed lower than in less regulated regions.

Operations in Brazil are predominantly for Petrobras, the stateowned Brazilian multinational energy company. Although risks in Brazil may be perceived higher than in our North Sea operations, we impose the same strict quality requirements to our local suppliers as we do to European OEMs to support our operations in the region. This approach helps maintain standards and safety onboard our vessels in addition to reducing Human Rights risks and contributing to the local industry in a key market for Prosafe.

Prosafe is not directly involved in the extraction of hydrocarbons, our support services are mainly related to the support of the installation, maintenance, and repair of offshore installations for National Oil companies. Given the nature of our business and size of our Supply Chain we have used the UN Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights to focus on identifying general areas where the risk of potential adverse Human Rights impacts is most significant. The table below identifies potential risks based on the location and type of operations, the use of third-party providers for critical equipment and services, and our key Supply Chain partners required to support safe and efficient operations.

Human Rights	Operational Impact	Mitigation
Employees' right to a healthy and safe work environment and living environment.	We own and operate seven (5) vessels, operating in harsh offshore environments, globally. Our vessels are gangway connected to our client's host installation providing accommodation and support services for client contractors 24 hours a day. These operations can be considered safety critical and represent an inherent risk to our shipboard management team and guests. Vessel recycling activities and the use of yards to safely dispose of our assets also present a risk to third party employees right to a healthy and safe working environment.	Safety is our number one priority, and we recognize that we have a responsibility to do what we can to ensure the health and safety of our employees, contractors, and guests. We have a robust HSSEQ policy and detailed procedures that are audited by independent third parties to ensure compliance. In all cases, Prosafe will adhere to relevant conventions (2009 Hong Kong Convention, 1989 Basel Convention), always adopt best practice, provide financial guarantees, and appoint independent recycling yard representation where necessary, until the asset is completely recycled, and conduct extensive diligence when recycling of any asset.
Freedom from forced labour and human trafficking.	We are aware that the marine industry has been exposed to forced labour and people with contracts that are not in line with Human Rights.	We ensure that we follow all local and regional regulations and are externally audited for compliance. We employ most of our crew in Brazil, and otherwise use reputable third-party crewing agencies and audit them on their performance and compliance.
Non-discrimination in hiring, employment, pay and benefits.	It is an inherent risk to all businesses, but particularly in our industry which has a particularly strong gender disparity.	We have clear policies and procedures on hiring and employment, and we monitor and ensure fair pay and benefits for all our employees.
Diversity, Equality & Inclusion.	Men have traditionally made up a greater proportion of the recruitment base for offshore operations, and this is reflected in Prosafe's gender breakdown.	Prosafe operates an equal opportunity policy including gender equality. We monitor, analyse and report our employee statistics. We are actively working to ensure the operating and employment environment we create is attractive to women and any current or potential employee, regardless of gender, age, disability, pregnancy and maternity, nationality, religion, or sexual orientation.
Freedom from workplace harassment.	We know there can be friction and disputes between people. We do not accept any form of harassment in any work environment.	We expect all our employees to follow our Code of Conduct and Human Rights policy, ensuring freedom from workplace harassment. Employees are encouraged to report any incident as outlined in our Code of Conduct and Whistleblowing Policy.

#### **3.2 Diversity and Equality**

We believe that strength lies in differences, not in similarities. Our diverse and talented workforce is one of the Company's most important competitive advantages in satisfying the requirements of our clients. Attracting, developing, and retaining the best employees of all backgrounds gives the Company access to new ideas, promotes better decision-making, and creates a workforce that mirrors our clients and the world at large.

Prosafe operates an equal opportunity policy including gender equality. Men have, however, traditionally made up a greater proportion of the recruitment base for offshore operations, and this is reflected in our gender breakdown.

We aim to offer the same opportunities to all and ensure that there is no discrimination with respect to recruitment, remuneration or promotion, due to age, disability, gender, marriage and civil partnership, pregnancy and maternity, nationality, religion or belief, sex, and sexual orientation.

All employees shall have a salary that is seen as fair, competitive and in accordance with industry standards. Only relevant qualifications such as education, experience, performance, and other professional criteria shall be considered when appointing new employees, making performance evaluations, settling remuneration, and awarding promotions.

#### **4. Human Rights-related risks within Supply Chain** 4.1 Supplier Mapping

Prosafe mapped its suppliers and business associates during 2023. Our suppliers enable us to deliver safe and efficient operations by providing goods, equipment and services to support our business needs. We do not manufacture goods or equipment and rarely procure raw materials. Globally, we have 1045 approved suppliers, although only 556 suppliers were active in 2024. In total, 270 suppliers are located in Europe, 239 in Brazil, 18 in the USA, 26 in Asia and 3 in the wider South American region or the Caribbean.

Prosafe is conducting due diligence on its suppliers. The assessments will be in proportion to the supplier's size, nature, and context. In addition, the probability that violations of basic Human Rights and decent working conditions occur shall be assessed, as well as the severity in the event of violations and the potential for Prosafe to exert leverage. This means that the assessments will be different in content and scope – the more complex the Company's Supply Chain, the more complex the assessments.

#### **4.2 Supplier Due Diligence**

To further improve our Supplier due diligence process in 2024, we updated our Approved Supplier Verification Questionnaire (ASVQ) by having a dedicated questionnaire in relation to our Code of Conduct and Human Rights/Labour Standards. The updated questionnaire was completed in Q1 2024, and all suppliers will have to complete the questionnaire and sign off confirming acceptance of our standards.

During 2024, we implemented the Supply Chain Transparency and Due Diligence Module, developed by Achilles Information Limited which is aligned with international legislations and the conventions defined within the ILO, to provide improved due diligence on our Supply Chain. The questionnaires will provide a basis for us to compare and analyse our suppliers against others in the Oil & Gas industry.

The table on next page provides a summary of the eighteen suppliers that have completed the Supply Chain Transparency and Due Diligence Module. Overall, the selected Prosafe Suppliers have a higher rating than the average scoring across, Environmental, Social, Governance and Financial metrics compared to the Achilles Suppliers and Achilles Global Energy Suppliers.

#### **Sustainability Scores Comparison**

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Achilles Sustainability Score provides and overview of supplier performance to offer a comprehensive, dynamic, and transparent analysis of Environmental, Social, Governance, Financial, H&S and Cyber aspects of global supply chains.



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We will continue to work with Achilles during 2025 to evaluate and monitor our Supply Chain.

In addition to the Achiiles questionnaire, we carried out two Ethical Sourcing audits in Brazil. The audits were completed for AASJ Servicos Industriais Eireli and Kaefer Test Tork Engineering Ltda. We are planning to continue with Ethical Sourcing audits in the Brazil region during 2025.

#### 4.3 Risk Assessment

Prosafe has undertaken a preliminary risk assessment focusing on key suppliers of people-related services such as crewing providers/ medical providers and OEMs that provide us with service engineers in regions that are deemed higher risk. The risk assessment is based on the following:

- Type of goods/services with a special focus on whether they provide manpower as part of the service
- Location of service requirement
- Perceived risk in the region of operation
- The total annual spend
- Relationship and track record with Prosafe

Description of service provision	Potential negative impact	Action required
Marine and Agency Personnel Services	Potential for agency crew to be exposed to forced	Contracts are in place for key crewing agencies.
Third-party crewing providers that supply personnel to support our operations in regions that are deemed higher risk.	labour or have contracts that are not in line with Human Rights standards.	Transparency & Due Diligence questionnaires will be sent to agencies that provide services in these regions. Crewing providers based in the UK and Norway are deemed to be low-risk and are not required to complete the questionnaires at this time.
		Review results from questionnaire and determine if further action is required.
Catering Providers	Potential for catering crew to be exposed to	Contracts are in place for key catering providers.
Third-party catering providers that supply catering crew, food and cleaning products to support our operations.	forced labour or have contracts that are not in line with Human Rights standards.	Transparency & Due Diligence questionnaires will be sent to relevant providers. Audits are common practice to measure performance and compliance.
Prosafe's clients often contract and manage the catering service provision in-house. In this instance Prosafe is not responsible for providing the service.	Potential that food is not sourced in an ethical and responsible manner, meeting local and	Location of operations may require additional due diligence/audits depending on perceived risk in the region.
In Brazil, the catering provision for our vessels on charter with Petrobras are provided by the state-owned Oil Company.	national standards, where necessary.	Review results from the questionnaire and determine if further action is required.
Global Medical Services Provider	Potential for offshore Medics/Doctors to be	Contract in place with global provider. Transparency & Due Diligence questionnaire will be issued to
Third-party provider offering shoreside support and offshore medics in all	exposed to forced labour or have contracts that	the service provider with a focus on the supply of medics/medical services in high-risk regions.
regions of operations, if requested by our clients. Focus on regions that are deemed higher risk, including Brazil and USA.	are not in line with Human Rights standards.	Review results from the questionnaire and determine if further action is required.
Original Equipment Manufactures	Potential for OEM service engineers to be	Contracts are often in place with key suppliers. Transparency & Due Diligence questionnaire to be
Key Suppliers that maintain safety critical equipment onboard our vessels. Many of these providers are based in Europe but have established operations in	exposed to forced labour or have contracts that are not in line with Human Rights standards.	issued to providers that have a local presence in high-risk regions of operations.
higher-risk regions, including Brazil and USA		Review results from the questionnaire and determine if further action is required.
Non-OEM Suppliers Brazil	Potential for service engineers to be exposed to forced labour or have contracts that are not in	Key local suppliers in Brazil that often provide us with offshore service personnel to support our operations.
Key suppliers in the Brazil region that provide services onboard our vessels supporting our operations.	line with Human Rights standards.	operations. Transparency & Due Diligence questionnaire to be issued to providers that have a local presence in
	0	high-risk regions of operations.
		Review results from the questionnaire and determine if further action is required.

#### 5. Human Rights due diligence within Prosafe

As a responsible business we continue to develop our due diligence processes to meet our obligations, but we also recognise that there is more we can do to improve. We have made further progress in 2024 and plan to develop, evaluate and improve our Human Rights due diligence further in the year ahead.

#### 5.1 Guidelines and routines for handling Human Rights due diligence

Prosafe has prepared an action plan that will guide the company on its path to compliance with the requirements found in the Transparency Act.

Action	Status	Comment
Anchor accountability in the Board of Directors	$\oslash$	The ultimate responsibility for complying with the Transparency Act, and Human Rights lies with Prosafe's Board of Directors. Human Rights policy was implemented in 2022 to demonstrate our commitment.
Launch a stand-alone Human Rights Policy	$\oslash$	
Anchor in the Internal Management System (IMS)	$\oslash$	Procurement and Supply Chain Management documentation has been updated to include references to Human Rights due diligence. ASVQ has been updated in the Integrated Management System.
Additional questions about Human Rights and Labour Standards included in the company's Approved Supplier Verification Questionnaire	$\oslash$	Completed and updated in the Integrated Management System
Build employee awareness and competence by the rollout of an e-learning program with a focus on human rights and labour standards	$\oslash$	E-learning course "Respecting Human Rights" has been rolled out and is required to be completed by all Prosafe employees and third party/agency employees.
Update requirements to suppliers and business associates	$\oslash$	
Map suppliers and business associates	$\oslash$	Ongoing process for existing and new Suppliers.
Perform supplier risk assessment in line with OECD guidelines	_	Ongoing process for existing and new suppliers.
Perform Supplier audits focusing specifically on Human Rights and Labour Standards.	$\oslash$	We have included more detailed questions relating to Human Rights and Labour Standards in our annual Supplier Audits.
		We will continue to develop this further in 2025.
Initiate required actions to stop, prevent or reduce any negative impact or damage	$\oslash$	Will be initiated based on the results of the Transparency & Due Diligence questionnaire and/or supplier audits.
Monitor implementation and results	$\oslash$	Actions can be defined and tracked following supplier audits/ recommendations
Report in the annual ESG report	$\oslash$	

#### 5.2 Improving the identification of Human Rights risks within Supply Chain

We have updated our Approved Supplier Verification Questionnaire (ASVQ) to include additional questions relating to Human Rights and Labour Standards to improve our supplier due diligence process and help identify potential risks within our Supply Chain. In addition, we also use several oil and gas industry-led Joint Qualification Systems (JQS) to support the prequalification of our suppliers.

We currently use the following JQS providers depending on the region of operations:

- Achilles FPAL<sup>1</sup> UKCS & Brazil
- Suricatta Brazil
- SEQual<sup>2</sup> UKCS
- Magnet JQS<sup>3</sup> NCS

While the focus of the JQS is HSSEQ performance and standards, it is evident that providers are starting to develop their systems to include social aspects, including Human Rights and auditing specifically in this area.

#### <sup>1</sup> https://www.achilles.com/community/oil-and-gas/

- <sup>2</sup> https://sequal.co.uk
- <sup>3</sup> https://magnetjqs.com
- <sup>4</sup> <u>https://prosafe.integrity.complylog.com</u>

#### 5.3 Human Rights protections in contract terms and conditions

We completed a legal review of our standard supplier terms and conditions in 2022 and now include several clauses to meet our obligations regarding the Norwegian Transparency Act. These clauses give us the right to audit suppliers at any time for the purpose of ensuring and confirming compliance with all Human Rights Protection Legislation. In addition, we include a clause for termination should a supplier breach any applicable laws, or we have reasonable grounds to believe that the supplier has breached any applicable laws.

#### **5.4 Incident reporting**

Prosafe has an Ethics Committee that reports to the Board of Directors and oversees Prosafe's work related to ethical business conduct. The Ethics Committee shall:

- Facilitate anonymous whistleblowing
- Ensure that concerns can be raised in an anonymous way
- Ensure that the channels for whistleblowing are sufficiently accessible and known
- Ensure that reported concerns are investigated and dealt with, if necessary, using external consultants (lawyers, auditors)
- Ensure that findings are used to improve ways of working in Prosafe

Prosafe has a secure Whistleblowing channel, IntegrityLog<sup>4,</sup> an easy online tool that allows safe, anonymous reporting of business integrity concerns. The whistleblowing channel allows anyone to report breaches or suspected breaches of our Code of Conduct, Governing Policies or Laws and Regulations. Stakeholders are encouraged to make a report in relation to business integrity concerns including:

- Breaches of our Code of Conduct or other governing policies
- Violations of Human or Labour rights
- Breaches of applicable laws and regulations
- Incidents of corruption, bribery and/or facilitation payments
- Incidents of fraud or theft
- Incidents of discrimination or harassment
- Threats to life or health
- Insider trading
- Inappropriate gifts or gratuities

Individuals raising concerns retain the right to remain anonymous provided that (i) the Company will not be in breach of any applicable law, rule, or regulation by maintaining the anonymity and (ii) the issue raised does not concern a criminal offence. Notifications on IntegrityLog will be received, processed, and followed up by an independent third party.

All concerns reported will be treated confidentially. Prosafe will ensure that no retaliation is taken against a whistleblower and that reports made in good faith will have no effect on their career.

In 2024, there were six whistleblowing cases, all relating to employee relations and of minor seriousness. All cases have been reported to the Human Resources department and have been closed.

#### 5.5 Response to Human Rights or Labour Standards violations

No legal claims have been received from any employee in respect of any violation of Human Rights or Labour Standards, and no breaches of the Code of Conduct in relation to Human Rights or Labour Standards have been observed in 2024. As no Human Rights or Labour Standard incidents were identified, Prosafe has not been involved in providing or enabling remedy during this reporting period. Should such incidents be identified, Prosafe would provide and facilitate remedy.

#### Prosafe, 30 April 2025 For the Board of Directors of Prosafe SE

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