

Anti-Slavery and Human Trafficking Policy

Prague Companions are opposed to human trafficking and forced labor in any form. We are committed to working to mitigate the risk of human trafficking and forced labor.

We have a zero-tolerance policy regarding any form of trafficking in persons or any form of slavery, including the use of child labour, forced labour, engaging in sex trafficking, using force, fraud or coercion to subject a person to involuntary servitude, or obtaining labor from a person by threats of serious harm to that person or another person. Prague Companions also prohibits sub-contractors from engaging in practices relating to trafficking in persons.

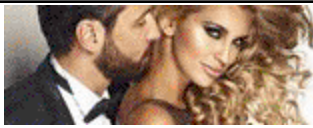
We have a responsibility as individuals to tackle any form of Modern Slavery. We will not tolerate or facilitate any form of Modern Slavery. This is supported through the communication to, and compliance of, our sub-contractors or any other third-party providers with Prague Companions' Anti-Slavery and Human Trafficking Policy.

All Prague Companion services are provided at the discretion of the Companion/Escort and in compliance with this Policy. The offers on the Website are for time and companionship only. If anything else occurs it is a matter of choice between consenting adults. Anything implied or inferred within Prague Companions Website pages is not to be taken as an inducement for payment for anything other than time and companionship.

Adult work in the Czech Republic is not prohibited (unlike Germany, Switzerland and Netherlands where it is fully legalized). It is in a Czech legal grey area, neither explicitly legal nor illegal, which makes it difficult for the state to control Anti-Slavery and Human Trafficking. Therefore it is also on proactive civil society organizations and members to ensure best prevention practices are set up and followed.

More info: https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Prostitution_in_the_Czech_Republic.

Modern Slavery is a crime and a violation of fundamental human rights. It is a term used to encompass slavery, servitude, forced compulsory labour, bonded and child labour and human trafficking, all of which include the deprivation of a person's liberty by another in order to exploit them for personal or commercial gain.



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There is no typical victim of Modern Slavery, and some victims do not understand that they have been exploited and are entitled to help and support. However, the following key signs could indicate that someone may be a victim of Modern Slavery or human trafficking:

- The person is not in possession of their own passport, identification or travel documents;
- The person is acting as though they are being instructed or coached by someone else;
- The person allows others to speak for them when spoken to directly;
- The person is dropped off and collected from work;
- The person avoids eye contact, is withdrawn or appears frightened;
- The person does not seem to be able to contact friends or family freely;
- The person has limited social interaction or contact with people outside of their immediate environment.

The above list is not exhaustive. A person may display a number of the indicators set out above, but they may not necessarily be a victim of slavery or trafficking.

We will take proactive steps to ensure that Modern Slavery is not taking place in any part of our activities. Our zero-tolerance approach to Modern Slavery includes our commitment that:

- we will not allow any form of slavery or human trafficking to take place in any part of our activities;
- we will not use child labour, nor will we use forced labour;
- we recognize freedom of association by permitting our subcontractors to establish and join organizations of their own choosing without our permission;
- we will comply with all relevant laws, statutes and regulations relating to modern slavery;
- we will seek to educate and raise awareness in the identification and reporting of Modern Slavery
- we will contact and inform law enforcement of any serious violations discovered

The prevention, detection, and reporting of human trafficking violations is the responsibility of all Prague Companions partners.

Any Prague Companions partner violating applicable anti-human trafficking laws, regulations and/or this Policy or who knowingly fails to report a violation of this Policy will be subject to appropriate corrective action and/or disciplinary action, including termination of an existing sub-contract. Additionally, violations of this Policy could lead to liability or other remedial action from the appropriate government agencies, including civil and criminal fines and potential jail time.



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Shall you become aware of a violation or potential violation of this Policy please report such activity immediately without fear of retaliation.

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For emergency contact directly SOS line of LA STRADA NGO

Phone: (+420) 222 71 71 71

Phone: 800 077 777 (free of charge)

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La Strada SOS line is intended primarily for trafficked and/or exploited persons. They provide information about rights and options for resolving unfavorable situations. For some of them, the line is a precursor to wider cooperation within social services.

Among other things, the staff of the La Strada SOS line is trained in crisis intervention and the issue of human trafficking, so they are able to take into account the mental state of the callers and possible security risks. In addition to the Czech language, they also provide standard consultations on this line in selected hours in English, Bulgarian, Romanian, Spanish, Russian and Tagalog. If necessary, they are able to provide interpretation into/from other languages.

Mon	10.00–16.00	(Czech, English, Russian and Romanian)
Tue	10.00–16.00	(Czech, English, Russian and Romanian)
Wed	10.00–16.00	(Czech, English and Russian), 12.00 – 16.00 (Tagalog)
Thu	10.00–16.00	(Czech, English, Russian and Romanian)
Fri	10.00–14.00	(Czech, English, Russian and Romanian)

More info: <https://www.strada.cz/en/looking-for-information/>

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