

Working with ADCH – Code of Conduct

ADCH collaborates with many different organisations. Our reputation is founded on our values as a charity and our unwavering dedication to conducting ourselves with integrity. A fundamental aspect of our work is ADCH Minimum Welfare and Operational Standards, which form the basis of Membership, and decisions on admission of new Members.

We firmly believe fostering positive relationships with our suppliers and those we work with is integral to our continued success. As a testament to this commitment, we only wish to engage with companies that align with our values.

The below applies to our suppliers and those we work with, this includes but is not limited to; conference sponsors, exhibitors and advertisers.

To ensure ethical conduct, we require adherence to the following set of terms, which are comprehensive yet not exhaustive; by agreeing to contract or to work with us on behalf of your organisation, you confirm that it:

1. Complies with the European Convention for the Protection of Pet Animals and/or Animal Welfare Act 2006;
2. Does not deal with parties who engage in or promote animal cruelty;
3. Is committed to ensuring ADCH supply chains are free from forced labour practices;
4. Conducts business legally, fairly, honestly and openly;
5. Is committed to preventing bribery and corruption;
6. Is committed to complying with privacy and data security obligations;
7. Is not associated with any group that supports acts of violence, terrorism or discrimination;
8. Tries to minimise any potential impact on the environment. As a minimum, compliance with relevant environmental legislation, regulations and directives to protect the environment.
9. Will not bring the reputation of ADCH into disrepute;
10. Is not involved in any activity that would breach any of the above.

In addition to the above, ADCH will not knowingly deal with organisations or individuals who are directly involved in:

1. Animal testing for cosmetic or other nonmedical purposes, unless required for regulatory purposes.
2. Any aspect of the fur trade.

Those who supply ADCH and we work with must adhere to the utmost standards of integrity, transparency, and governance, complying with all applicable laws, legislation and regulations,

In the event that any organisation falls short of meeting the expectations detailed above, we retain the right to review and terminate our involvement and contractual agreement with them.

