

# Jinko Solar Australia Holdings Co. Pty Ltd

## 2023 Modern Slavery Statement

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## **Introduction**

This statement is issued by Jinko Solar Australia Holdings Co. Pty Ltd (ACN 154 662 889) for the year ended 31 December 2023.

Jinko Solar Australia Holdings Co. Pty Ltd is incorporated in Australia and our registered office address is Suite 2A, 152 Marsden St, Parramatta NSW 2150.

Jinko Solar Australia Holdings Co. Pty Ltd (**Jinko Solar**) is a subsidiary of Jinko Solar Holding Co., Ltd. registered in the Cayman Islands. Jinko Solar Holding Co., Ltd together with its subsidiaries (**Jinko Solar Group**) is one of the largest and most innovative solar module manufacturers in the world.

This is our fourth modern slavery statement under the *Modern Slavery Act 2018* (Cth) and sets out the actions we have taken to assess and address modern slavery risks in our operations and supply chains.

This statement has been approved by the Board of Jinko Solar on June 28, 2024.

## **Our Commitment**

Jinko Solar holds high standards of business ethics internally and for our suppliers and is committed to upholding these principles with respect to our own employees, hiring practices and workplace operations, as well as for workers across our supply chain. Jinko Solar has a strong track record of industry-leading workplace practices and promoting social responsibility.

When engaging with our suppliers, Jinko Solar has always observed high ethical and business standards, carried out fair operations, protected legitimate rights and interests of suppliers, supported their growth and taken the lead in driving suppliers to fulfil their social responsibilities.

At the community level, we assume the responsibility of promoting social progress. We not only strive to achieve success in our core business, but strongly support public service activities. Jinko Solar is fully committed to conduct its business in a lawful and ethical manner, including engaging with suppliers who also respect human rights, providing safe and inclusive workplaces, and promoting a sustainable future.

#### Jinko Solar operations and supply chain

#### **Operations**

Jinko Solar is engaged in the business of supplying solar modules. Goods sold by Jinko Solar comes with Jinko limited warranty. Related terms and conditions are available on our website for reference.

We would also like to recognize the role of local community support in our success and growth story and we are dedicated to boosting the local economy and supporting local employment. Our customers in Australia value local service. Our full-service local team continues to expand, focusing on the growth of solar modules in residential, commercial, and utility industries.



By the end of 2023, Jinko Solar employed 22 employees. These employees also facilitate corporate and warranty services such as, finance, logistics, sales and marketing to support our day-to-day business operations.

More information about our operations can be found on our website at https: www.jinkosolar.com.au

## **Our Participation to United Nations Global Compact**

Jinko Solar joined the United Nations Global Compact on 1<sup>st</sup> February 2021 as participant, with the aim to make the Ten Principles part of the strategy, culture and day-to-day operations of the company.

On February 18<sup>th</sup>, 2022, Jinko Solar published the Jinko Communication on Progress, which renovate Jinko Solar continued support to the United Nations Global Compact and to its Ten Principles and describes the actions or policies concerning human rights, labour, environment, anti-corruption as well as a measurement of the outcome.

On March 14<sup>th</sup>, 2022, Jinko Solar received the UNGC Best Practices Sustainable Award 2021. The award nominees underwent a rigorous and documented process of successive stages of short-listing by multi-disciplinary experts, who assessed the performance of companies in each of the four areas of the UN Global Compact, namely Human Rights, Environment, Labour and Transparency.

## <u>Our supply chain</u>

The solar modules are supplied to Jinko Solar through Jinko Solar Group entities. The supply chain of the Jinko Solar Group involves various components and raw materials, including polysilicon, ingots, wafers, solar cells, frames, connectors and junction boxes, etc. which ultimately results in a final product i.e. solar modules. These materials are sourced by Jinko Solar Group through suppliers and vendors mainly across China, Germany, South Korea, and United States.

Jinko Solar also sells solar modules through a network of authorized dealers and distributors. We engage these third parties on a contractual basis and these contracts are reviewed and renewed regularly.

Jinko Solar contracts third party companies which provide warehouse facilities to Jinko Solar in Melbourne, Brisbane, Adelaide and Perth.

We also have a number of direct service providers in Australia, primarily catering to ancillary business support services such as finance, logistics, customs clearance agents, legal support and office administration, etc.

## Modern slavery risks, assessment and profile

We recognise that there may be potential risks of modern slavery in the solar module manufacturing industry as a result of manual labour associated with the manufacturing industry or related to raw materials and service-related suppliers.



Modern slavery risks may impact our business and we endeavour to reduce the risk that we might contribute to modern slavery through our operations and supply chains.

Modern slavery risks were assessed to be lower for our warranty and corporate services offered post sale, due to the nature of our highly-skilled workforce and governing regulations. Jinko Solar Group has strict labour compliance requirements with reference to the guidelines of the International Labour Organization.

Jinko Solar has assessed the risks of modern slavery in its supply chain as described in this section. Our risk assessment methodology considers indicators of modern slavery including sector and industry, together with the type of products and services procured. Jinko Solar deployed self-assessment questionnaires (SAQs) to our suppliers in 2023 to map out potential risks and identify areas of high-risk exposure.

#### Actions to assess and address risk

Jinko Solar is committed to open and transparent business practices and aims to ensure that our approach to modern slavery adheres to the requirements of the Modern Slavery Act 2018 (Cth) and associated legislation. We have implemented the below actions to ensure that our employees uphold these standards and ensure that our suppliers are aware of our commitments.

#### Due diligence and remediation action

Jinko Solar Group has implemented the following due diligence activities to monitor modern slavery risks in its own operations and supply chain:

- A SAQ was rolled out to our suppliers as part of our ongoing due diligence efforts to map out potential risks in the supply chain and identify areas of high-risk exposure to prioritize resources and further monitoring.
- Jinko Solar corporate social responsibility assessment standard was further developed during 2023, in consonance with international recognized standards and laws and standards in the European Union (e.g. the German Supply Chain Due Diligence Act). The newly implemented standard concerns employment relationship management, protection of child labour and underage workers, working hours, salary and welfare, anti-discrimination, humane treatment and punishment, freedom of association and collective negotiation, health and safety, environment and other comparable matters.
- Based on the results of the risk assessment, social compliance audits were conduct by both internal audit team as well as an independent third-party auditor.

## **Training**

To maintain awareness and ensure a high level understanding of the risks of modern slavery and human trafficking in our business, Jinko Solar informed both partner along the supply chain as well as internal stakeholder (e.g. our purchasing team) through professional training and experience sharing,



Jinko Solar established a targeted training mechanism for all its suppliers, which is carried out on annual, semi-annual and quarterly basis, both on site and remotely, with at least three (3) hours of training per year for each of its suppliers.

While helping its supplier and partners to understand the risk of modern slavery as aforementioned, Jinko Solar employees have also been made aware and are periodically made aware of the risk through relevant training and communication on an annual basis.

#### Assessing effectiveness

Jinko Solar Group assess the effectiveness of our assessments and programmes to identify and remediate modern slavery risks in a number of ways:

- Jinko Solar Group made available several and different internal and external grievance channels, some of which guarantee the anonymity of the reporter's identity, in order to timely collect the relevant information, e.g. physical mail box, hotline, internal platform.
- Both internal and third party annual audits were implemented to verify that corrective actions have been implemented on the ground.

We are committed to continually monitoring the effectiveness of the measures established so far. We will continue to track our actions and outcomes, partner with suppliers and other external partners, and undertake regular internal governance and external assurance processes. This will ensure that we can mitigate and address potential modern slavery risks, and adhere to the UN Guiding Principles and all applicable labour and social compliance requirements.

In order to further assess the effectiveness of the assessments and programmes to identify and remediate modern slavery risks, we drafted and published in May 2024 the ESG Report for the previous fiscal year (2023). Such ESG Report describes the policies and the actions undertaken by Jinko Solar to prevent modern slavery towards its organization. We asked to an independent third party to provide an independent assurance report on such ESG Report. The Jinko Solar ESG Report 2023 is published at the following link: https://www.jinkosolar.com/uploads/20240530.pdf

#### **Policies and procedures**

We have a comprehensive set of policies and procedures to ensure we have strong frameworks to enable us to assess and address modern slavery risks.

For the year 2023, we have engaged with third-party independent auditors as well as internal audit team to conduct a complete audit (including corporate social responsibility audit) on our key facilities. The audit result is non findings of risks connected with modern slavery.

These policies and procedures complement our existing governance framework and ensure that our employees and suppliers clearly understand our expectations. In accordance also with our participation to the UN Global Compact we aim to continuously improve our policies.

During 2023, we increased and strengthened the policies and procedure that aim to prevent modern slavery both in the internal organization of the company and externally, by approving the ESG Policy, the Supply Chain Due Diligence Policy and the Complaint Procedure for Human Rights and the Environment.



The following policies are those that aim to prevent modern slavery amongst our team members and workers in our supply chains:

Policy/P rocedur e	Purpose
Code of Business Conduct and Ethics	This code contains guidelines for conducting business related to Jinko Solar Group, and applies to all employees and other relevant personnel representing Jinko Solar Group. To the extent that this Code requires a higher standard than required by commercial practice or applicable laws, rules, or regulations, we adhere to these higher standards. The full code is via this link: <u>https://jinkosolarcdn.shwebspace.com/uploads/CODE%200F%20BUSINESS%2</u> <u>0CONDUCT%20AND%20ETHICS%20v%202.0-EN.pdf</u>
Jinko Solar Anti- Corrupti on and Anti- Bribery Code	This code provides specific standards for all employees and other relevant personnel representing the Jinko Solar Group to abide by relevant to anti- corruption and anti-bribery laws in the process of business activities.
Participa tion to United Nations Global Compact	The participation to the United Nations Global Compact implies the commitment of Jinko Solar to adhere to and implement the Ten Principles.
Jinko Solar Labour Principle s Report	This report provides an outlook on the laws and principles complied with and adhered to by Jinko Solar concerning the employment relationship. The full report is via this link: <u>https://jinkosolarcdn.shwebspace.com/uploads/Jinko%20Solar%20Labour%20Principles%20Reprot.pdf</u>
ESG Policy	This policy provides an outlook on the laws and principles complied with and adhered to by Jinko Solar concerning the ESG topics. The scope of application of this policy is towards Jinko Solar employees, officers, senior management and directors of Jinko Solar and its subsidiaries around the world, as well as the industrial facilities controlled (directly or indirectly) or operated by the company.
	The full policy is available at the following link: 20240530.pdf (jinkosolar.com)



Supply Chain Due Diligenc e Policy	This policy provides guidelines for (i) identifying the most critical risk areas which may give rise to breaches of the applicable laws and/or of the Principles concerning human rights and (ii) building a transparent mechanism to address breaches or violations related to the workplace of any Jinko Solar group's suppliers. This policy has been drafted in accordance with the principles of the German Supply Chain Due Diligence Act. The full policy is available at the following link: <u>https://jinkosolarcdn.shwebspace.com/uploads/659d024b/Supply%20Chain%20D</u> <u>ue%20Diligence%20Policy.pdf</u>
Complai nt Procedur e for Human Rights and the Environ ment	This policy provides the guidelines to submit complaints concerning (i) risks to human rights or the environment or (ii) violations of human rights-related or environment-related obligations, if such risks or violations have arisen as a result of the economic activities of Jinko Solar itself, its affiliates or its direct or indirect suppliers of goods or services. The full policy is available at the following link: <u>https://jinkosolarcdn.shwebspace.com/uploads/659d0240/Complaint%20Procedur e%20for%20Human%20Rights%20And%20The%20Environment%20t.pdf</u>

## Supplier engagement

As noted above, Jinko Solar has an established Partner Code of Conduct which suppliers are contractually obligated to comply with. The guiding principles include prohibitions against the practices of child labour and forced labour and requirements on working hours, wage payments, discrimination and corruption.

Jinko Solar promotes the concept of fair procurement and equal opportunities. We implement a supplier management system and evaluate suppliers on a number of criteria, including labour compliance. Jinko Solar Group regularly evaluates the performance of qualified suppliers and conducts on-site visits of suppliers when necessary.

Jinko Solar actively encourages its suppliers to build, develop and keep good ESG and CSR practices, also through establishing incentive mechanisms such as: supplier rewards, which includes being listed as preferred supplier, preferential invitation and other comparable rewards. The aim of such mechanisms is to build and develop more knowledge and awareness among the supply chain regarding the environmental and corporate social responsibility.

#### **Reporting mechanisms**

There are efficient reporting mechanisms in place to ensure the swift identification of and response to risks, including non-compliance with policies and procedures of Jinko Solar. Jinko Solar will



continue to evaluate the extent to which existing reporting mechanisms can be encouraged as a way for employees and suppliers to raise grievances and escalate suspected or actual occurrences of modern slavery in our operations and supply chains.

## **Consultation**

As a subsidiary of Jinko Solar Holding Co., Ltd., Jinko Solar's approach to modern slavery is largely comprised of overarching policies, systems and processes that are designed to be consistently applied across the Jinko Solar Group.

During the reporting period of 2023, there was consistent consultation and collaboration between Jinko Solar and the Jinko Solar Group. This statement is a result of collaborative work across relevant departments including sales, human resources, procurement, logistics, finance, and legal and eventually was put across to the Board of Jinko Solar for review and approval.

#### FY2024 focus

In FY2024 we aim to focus on:

- Establishing and examining more comprehensive policies and procedures to address modern slavery issues and ensuring their implementation.
- Clear and effective communication with new vendors and suppliers regarding our commitment to compliance with the Modern Slavery Act 2018 (Cth) and our zero-tolerance approach towards forced labour.
- Continuing engaged with international reputation 3rd party, and scale up the supply chain audit.
- Continuing risk assessments of, and as necessary, additional engagement with suppliers including self-assessment questionnaires and external audits.
- Continuing to promote an environment that encourages reporting concerns and protects whistle blowers, including improved policies and reporting mechanism.
- Further improvement of our policies in alignment with United Nations Global Compact Ten Principles.

Signed By:

Mr. Wensu Yuan Title: Director Date: June 28, 2024