

## **ETHICAL COMMITMENT**

PROHIBITION OF CHILD LABOR AND PROTECTION OF YOUNG PEOPLE AT WORK

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Child labor is prohibited by all legislation, despite this, millions of children work in the world. If the working conditions of adults are in many cases harmful from the point of view of safety and health, children suffer doubly; for doing jobs rejected by adults and for their physical fragility. The fact of carrying out a job prevents many of them from attending school, thus their working conditions have no possibility of improving and the cycle of poverty is perpetuated.

## Values

- The child has the right to grow and develop in good health.
- The child has the right to receive an education that allows them to develop their skills.
- The child must enjoy games and recreation.
- The child will be protected against all forms of abandonment, cruelty and exploitation.

## Commitments

- Send a clear message: child labor is always negative
- Establish universal and compulsory primary education.
- Promote gender equality.
- Promote rural employment, making it attractive to young people to replace children.
- Expand legal protection of children.
- Establish severe legal actions for employers of children.
- Create awareness among employers that they are responsible for their workers and the conditions in which they work throughout the chain, including indirect workers.
- Create social guarantee labels: they guarantee the social conditions of the product's manufacturing (respecting the rights of workers and children).
- Industrialized countries must commit to not purchasing products that involve child labor through codes of conduct that prevent the circulation of products made by children.