

# **Daily ethics**

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## What is allowed

- Common uses of business life,
- Establishment and maintenance of good business relationships.



## Points of attention

- Means of influencing a decision, of favoring a person and therefore,
- Likely to generate conflicts between personal interests and professional obligations.

I have received or will receive a gift or invitation and/or I have given or will give a gift or invitation. **What should I do?** 

### Step 1

Check compliance with general principles

## General principles relating to gifts and invitations:

- · They must be legal,
- Offered openly and transparently,
- Reasonable and related to the event or circumstances,
- Offered without compensation

# Step 2

Check compliance with value thresholds validated by the Group

#### Value thresholds:

- Maximum €50 including tax per third party (entity) and per year (fiscal year),
- If above and exceptionally, mandatory authorization from the Manager and the Compliance officer of the entity.

# Step 3

Declare in our Gifts & invitations register

Before accepting or offering the gift or invitation, declare it in our <u>Gifts & invitations register</u> (except for exclusions specified in our gifts & invitations policy – e.g.: goodies, business meals, commercial challenges, etc.)







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#### Formal ban:

- Gifts and invitations offered or received:
  - · For the purpose of obtaining an unfair advantage or influencing a decision, or,
  - · By a public official regardless of his value, or,
  - · Whose nature corresponds to:
    - Payments in cash or equivalent (bank transfer, bank check, etc.)
    - Sexual, immoral or illegal nature
    - Non-compliant with current laws and regulations
    - In the form of services or other benefits in kind. Example: employment promise
    - Going beyond the professional framework
  - Whose value is greater than €50 including tax per fiscal year and per third party
  - At a strategic moment in the relationship: call for tenders, commercial negotiation period, signing of agreements, etc.
  - · Which would embarrass Euralis if it were publicly mentioned
  - · Which benefit a relative, friend or family member of a Euralis employee
- · Concealing gifts or invitations from one's employer. Ex: reception/sending to home,
- Soliciting gifts and invitations from partners

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## Examples of questions to ask yourself before accepting or sending a gift:

- What is the approximate value of the property? Is it less than €50 including tax?
- Is the gift or invitation likely to affect the performance of my duties or to damage the reputation of the Euralis group?
- · When are they offered?
- · Would I be embarrassed if my professional circle found out that I received/sent it?
- Are laws and regulations respected?
- Is this consistent with internal procedures and the general interest of the Euralis Group?
- Are the gifts and invitations offered or received offered as a courtesy or on a commercial basis and not with a view to obtaining consideration?
- Am I comfortable discussing this gift or invitation with my colleagues?



