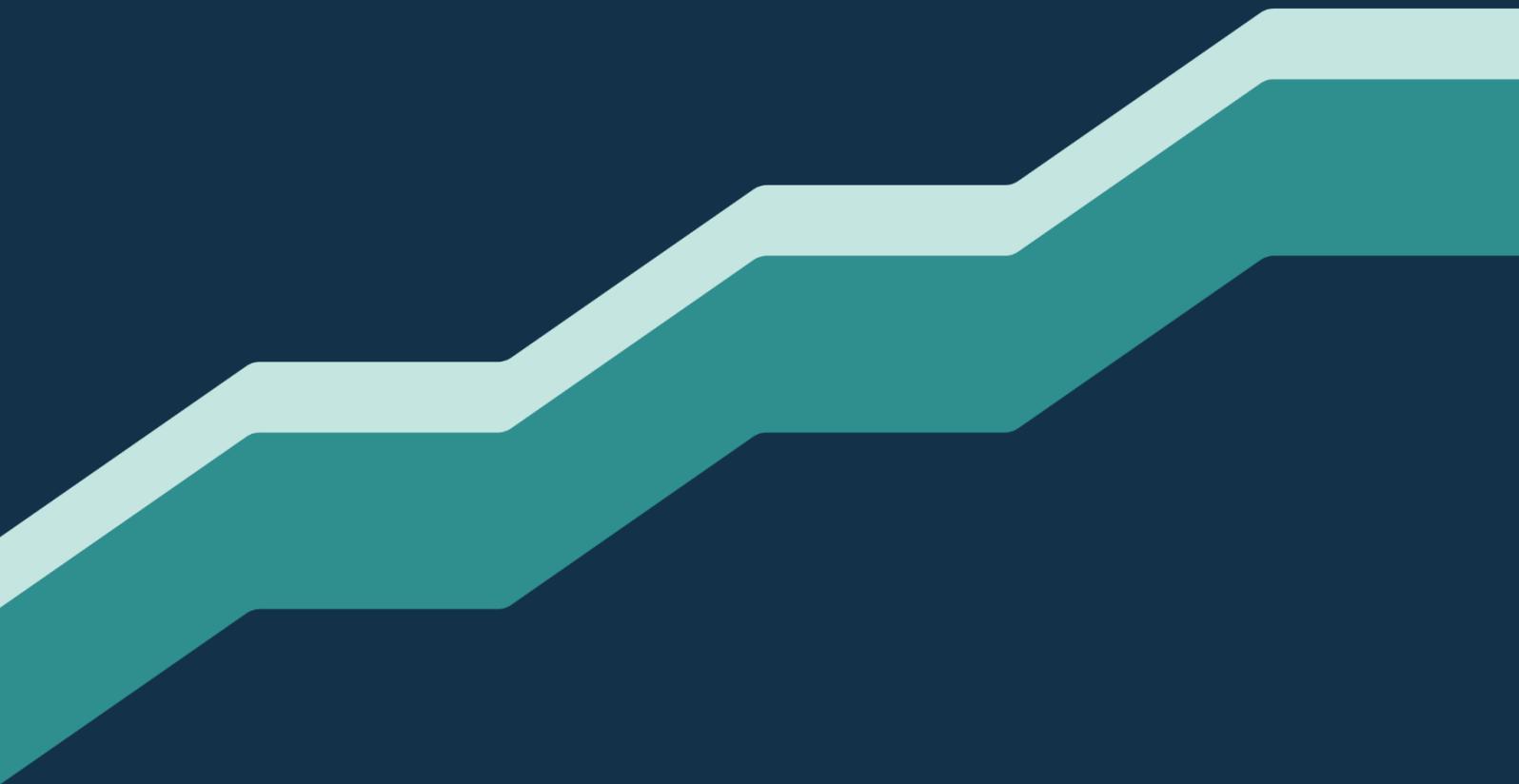


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Swedfund's Technical Assistance – Business Integrity

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This information is aimed to provide Swedfund's portfolio companies with an overview of how Technical Assistance related to Business Integrity can be utilised.

1. What is TA?

Swedfund's funds for technical assistance (TA) is a strategic tool that is used for quality-enhancing initiatives to strengthen the performance of our portfolio companies in line with our mission and goals. The funds will mainly be used to strengthen the companies' work on development impact, gender equality and sustainability, including the environment and climate, decent work and business ethics, and anti-corruption. This can be done for example through training programs, development of management systems or new processes and tools.

2. TA related to Business Integrity

TA support within Business-Integrity can be provided as a tailor-made offering based on the identified needs of a portfolio company. A TA project normally results in new and improved processes, tools and methodologies as well as conducted trainings, thereby contributing to strengthening and developing the capacity of a company.

Examples of TA-projects related to Business Integrity

- Development of an Integrity/Anti-Corruption Management System
- Identification and classification of corruption risks in the company's own operations and in fund manager's pipeline and portfolio companies – to inform design of mitigation measures
- Update and/or improvements of relevant policies to cover e.g:
 - All forms of corruption and bribery in line with international standards
 - Governance and clear responsibilities for implementation
 - Procedures on monitoring and reporting of internal operations, portfolio and pipelines in relation to integrity risks
 - Procedures on internal controls, record keeping, and complaints mechanisms
- Development of tools and templates to assess and mitigate corruption risks in fund manager's portfolio including relevant requirements on portfolio companies
- Identification and training of all staff on the Integrity/Anti-Corruption Management System including the policy and anti-corruption processes
- ISO-certification related to corruption