Ethics Policy

RISE’s mission
RISE is Sweden’s research institute and innovation partner. Through international collaborations with the business community, academia and the public sector, our mission is to ensure the competitiveness of Swedish commerce and industry and contribute to a sustainable society. The mission also brings with it an obligation to act ethically, sustainably and in a way that earns public approval.

Good research and business ethics
We conduct our research and business assignments in an objective, honest, responsible and impartial way and in close collaboration with our clients and business partners. We contribute to achieving national and global sustainability goals, and we address research and development issues that provide value to research, business and to society in general. We make effective use of the time and resources of the scientific community, and we conduct our assignments after having obtained required approvals with respect for human rights, but also with regards to animal well-being.

We strive to ensure that the effects of our results shall benefit people, environment and society. Within the frame of confidentiality requirements, we strive to inform the general public of risks and opportunities associated with our results.

We report data, results, methods, concepts, technologies and tools that are produced in our activities in accordance with good research practice and apply the principle that significant contributions to publications are a precondition for, and provide entitlement to co-authorship. We report the sources used in our work correctly.

Legality
We are well acquainted with and respect Swedish law and its intentions, as well as the legislation in force in countries where we operate when beyond the Swedish borders. We expect our partners and customers to observe local laws.

Human rights
We support and respect measures to safeguard human rights and assure ourselves in our collaborations with customers, suppliers and other partners that they are not, either actively or through omission, in breach of human rights.

The integrity of employees and business partners
We respect our own, our partners’ and our customers’ integrity. In addition to complying with agreed rules on confidentiality, we handle sensitive information with care.

Objectivity and integrity in relationships
We strive to achieve objectivity in our approach and avoid incorrect, misleading or exaggerated statements.

We show respect and care for each other, customers and business partners by treating, addressing and referring to everyone, both as individuals and as groups, in a fair, correct way regardless of sex, transgender identity or expression, ethnicity, religion or other belief, function variation, sexual orientation or age.
Anti-corruption
We do not accept bribes, nor do we bribe others. We give and receive gifts only to a degree that represents normal politeness in business and research contexts, and we do not make business or research decisions based on personal gain.

Independence
We select the theories and methods considered most suitable for the problem we are trying to solve, and we secure good quality by examining and reporting sources of error and methods.