Donor & Funding Policy

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1. Purpose and Scope

1.1 This Policy governs the acceptance of funding, grants, donations and other support by Tech Revolt, and sets out the conditions that apply to every Supporter.

1.2 This Policy applies to all forms of support, whether financial or in kind, and should be read together with Tech Revolt's Independence & Partnerships Policy.

2. Ownership and Sources of Support

2.1 Tech Revolt is privately owned and independently operated.

2.2 Tech Revolt's activities are supported by its owners, partnerships, events and research products, and by organisations that support independent technology media in the region.

2.3 No Supporter or Partner holds an ownership interest in Tech Revolt, and none holds any right in respect of its Editorial Content. Tech Revolt does not sell sponsored content.

3. Permitted Sources

3.1 Subject to this Policy, Tech Revolt may accept support from:

(a) foundations and philanthropic organisations;

(b) development agencies and international organisations;

(c) universities and research institutions;

(d) industry bodies and associations; and

(e) public-sector bodies, subject to Section 5.

4. Excluded Sources

4.1 Tech Revolt shall not accept support from:

(a) any party that declines to be identified to Tech Revolt;

(b) any organisation or individual that is the subject of an active Tech Revolt investigation or of reporting in preparation;

(c) political parties, candidates or campaigns;

(d) any person or entity subject to applicable international sanctions; or

(e) any party that seeks to attach conditions relating to Editorial Content.

5. Public-Sector and Sovereign-Linked Support

5.1 Public-sector and sovereign-linked bodies play a significant role in the technology sector Tech Revolt covers. Accordingly:

(a) any such body that funds a specific article, report or event shall be named on that work; and

(b) Tech Revolt shall not accept support from any such body that is conditional on coverage of that body, its agencies or its programmes.

6. Editorial Safeguards

6.1 Every Supporter engages with Tech Revolt on the basis that it:

(a) has no role in determining which stories Tech Revolt pursues, whom it interviews or what it concludes;

(b) shall not receive any Editorial Content prior to publication; and

(c) may not require the amendment or removal of published Editorial Content.

6.2 A Supporter may support a broad area of coverage. The selection, scope and treatment of individual stories within that area remain the sole responsibility of the Editor in Chief.

6.3 Where a Supporter becomes the subject of Editorial Content, it shall be reported on the same basis as any other subject, and any person at Tech Revolt with a relationship to that Supporter shall take no part in the related editorial decision.

7. Disclosure of Funded Work

7.1 Where support is provided for a specific article, report or event, the funder shall be identified on that work in the following form:

This report was supported by [funder]. [Funder] had no input into its content.

8. Due Diligence and Approval

8.1 All offers of support are reviewed by the Managing Director, who shall consult the Editor in Chief on any matter with a bearing on Editorial Content.

8.2 Tech Revolt reserves the right to decline or return any support that, in its judgement, may compromise or appear to compromise its independence.

9. Review and Amendment

9.1 This Policy is reviewed annually. Tech Revolt reserves the right to amend it at any time; the current version is published on this page.

9.2 Enquiries regarding this Policy may be directed to hello@techrevolt.org with the subject line "Funding Enquiry".