# Media Release



## Roche and Social Value Portal Enter Exclusive Partnership Putting Social Value at the Forefront of Healthcare in the UK

- Roche in the UK has entered an exclusive partnership with Social Value Portal, the first of its kind within the UK Diagnostic and Pharmaceutical sector.
- Through this partnership, Roche in the UK will be able to measure its social value impact on societies across the UK, and is part of a comprehensive sustainability and social value strategy.
- The Roche social value priorities are aligned to the NHS Net Zero and Social Value Guidelines and themes to reduce health inequalities, drive better health outcomes and have a positive long-term impact on our people, planet and NHS dependence

West Sussex, XXX 2023 – Roche in the UK has today announced it has entered an exclusive partnership with Social Value Portal, a leading provider of social value measurement, monitoring and strategic consultancy. This partnership is the first of its kind within the UK Diagnostic and Pharmaceutical sector.

Working together, Roche and Social Value Portal have developed a comprehensive strategy to ensure Roche is putting social value at the forefront of its sustainability programme in the UK. With the introduction of NHS Net Zero and Social Value Guidelines this year, it is an opportune time to respond to social value requirements that align to our mutual values and ambitions.

The Roche UK social value strategic priorities are centered around:

- Social mobility
- Healthy community
- Healthy planet

These priorities align to the NHS themes around tackling economic inequality, equal opportunity, wellbeing and fighting climate change. Using Social Value Portal's on-line platform, Roche will be able to measure, manage and maximise the contribution Roche, and its supply chain, makes to UK society.

Roche in the UK is made up of brilliant specialists working together to transform the lives of patients and their loved ones. Building a sustainable healthcare system, one that meets the needs of the present without compromising the ability of future generations to meet their own needs, is vital. This involves balancing environmental, social, and economic considerations whilst also working to have a positive impact on society today.

**Geoff Twist, General Manager, Roche Diagnostics UK and Ireland**, said: "Roche is proud to have a comprehensive sustainability and social value strategy which allows us to stay true to our vision of 'Doing Now What Patients Need Next.' Being able to measure our social value will help us demonstrate the positive impact we have on societies across the UK. We know this is important for the NHS, for the health of our nation, and it is important to Roche."



Lucie Jaggar, Chief Procurement Officer, Barts Health NHS Trust, said "For the NHS, by embedding social value into procurement we will create even greater economic, social and environmental value for society. But even more importantly the effects of this will help reduce health inequalities, drive better health outcomes and have a positive long-term impact on our people, planet and NHS dependence. Knowing Roche UK is also working to a social value framework of priorities, and establishing their own approach to meet the needs of communities in the UK is critical because we need to work collectively to achieve the NHS' social value objectives and net-zero targets."

**Guy Battle, CEO, Social Value Portal**, said: "Roche in the UK is Social Value Portal's first ever end-to-end customer so we will be supporting the company across a range of our services to enable them to respond to the social, economic and environmental needs of their clients and communities.

"We are extremely proud to be working with Roche in the UK and are looking forward to seeing the impressive results of their Social Value offering as the partnership develops over time."

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#### About Roche in the UK

At Roche, we focus our energy and investment in developing tests and treatments that change lives and give us more time with the people we love.

More than 820 million Roche diagnostic tests were used to confirm, rule out or manage health conditions in the UK in 2020 and our business sites contribute £290m GDP and 2,190 jobs to the UK economy. We work from bench to bedside – researching new medicines and diagnostics, running global clinical trials, and working in partnership with the NHS to ensure rapid uptake and delivery of our products and services. For more information, please visit www.roche.co.uk.

#### About Roche global

Founded in 1896 in Basel, Switzerland, Roche has grown into the world's largest biotechnology company and the global leader in in-vitro diagnostics. The company pursues scientific excellence to discover and develop medicines and diagnostics for improving and saving the lives of people around the world. We are a pioneer in personalised healthcare and want to further transform how healthcare is delivered to have an even greater impact. To provide the best care for each person we partner with many stakeholders and combine our strengths in Diagnostics and Pharma with data insights from the clinical practice.

Roche has been named one of the most sustainable companies in the pharmaceuticals industry by the Dow Jones Sustainability Indices for the thirteenth consecutive year. This



distinction reflects our efforts to improve access to healthcare together with local partners in every country we work. For more information, please visit <u>www.roche.com</u>.

### **About Social Value Portal**

Social Value Portal is an online solution that provides precise, standardised reporting to enable organisations to quantify and maximise the social value generated - making good go further. It provides the tools to measure, manage and report both financial and non-financial data in a meaningful, robust and transparent way for all stakeholders.

Social Value Portal launched the Social Value TOMs system in 2017, alongside the independent National Social Value Taskforce. The Framework provides a minimum reporting standard for measuring social value, integrating the standards into their measurement approach as a minimum.

In 2022, Social Value Portal achieved B Corp status, scoring above average in all assessed sections and an overall score of 114 out of 200. The company's aim is to promote better business and community wellbeing through the integration of social value into day-to-day business across all sectors.