



AGENDA

OECD Forum on Due Diligence in the Garment and Footwear Sector

Measuring Impact

13-14 FEBRUARY 2019
OECD CONFERENCE CENTRE
PARIS, FRANCE

About the OECD Forum on Due Diligence in the Garment and Footwear Sector

The OECD Garment Forum convenes over 400 representatives from government, business, workers and civil society to discuss key issues and risks related to due diligence in global garment and footwear supply chains in a neutral environment. A common denominator of the discussions is the OECD Due Diligence for Responsible Supply Chains in the Garment and Footwear Sector. The OECD Forum pushes the needle by focusing on challenging processes and issues related to due diligence and driving towards solutions. The Forum also plays a role in supporting alignment across governments and industry initiatives on expectations of business. This year the Forum will focus on measuring the impact of due diligence.

About the OECD Due Diligence Guidance for Responsible Supply Chains in the Garment and Footwear Sector

The OECD Due Diligence Guidance for Responsible Supply Chains in the Garment and Footwear Sector (the OECD Due Diligence Guidance) establishes a common understanding of due diligence in the sector to help companies meet expectations on due diligence laid out in the OECD Guidelines for Multinational Enterprises (OECD Guidelines). The OECD Due Diligence Guidance, which was developed through a multi-stakeholder process, was approved by all governments adhering to the OECD Guidelines and endorsed by business, trade unions and civil society. It is a direct response to the G7 Leaders' Declaration on 7-8 June 2015 in Schloss Elmau which welcomed international efforts to promulgate industry-wide due diligence standards in the textile and ready-made garment sector. The Guidance is applicable to all companies – large and small – operating in global garment and footwear supply chains.

Practical information

13 -14 February 2019 | OECD Conference Centre, Paris, France

The timing and order of sessions in this draft agenda may be subject to change.

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Types of sessions

- **Exploratory** sessions give an overview of an issue or aspect of due diligence applied to the garment supply chain which may not have been fully explored before, bringing together experts and practitioners.
- **Deep-dive** sessions build on previous Forum sessions, providing opportunities to focus on concrete practices that enable effective due diligence.
- **Consultations** focus on understanding perspectives and meaningfully consulting stakeholders on a central question.
- **Workshops** are hands-on problem-solving or joint learning sessions focused on practical steps and conclusions. They may involve smaller breakout groups.

Wednesday, 13 February 2019

09:30 *Registration*

11:30 – 12:30 **Pre-forum sessions**

Using Best Available Techniques (BAT) to combat harm caused by pollution in the garment sector

Partners: [OECD Environment Directorate](#)

This panel will highlight current efforts to strengthen the use of BAT to reduce emission from the footwear and garment sector, such as ongoing review of the EU's BAT reference document for the textiles sector, and BAT projects in the Indian and Pakistani textiles industry. The discussion will also touch upon opportunities and challenges of current BAT policies, such as the need for more standardised procedures to establish BAT, as well as on the data and methodologies needed to assess the effectiveness of BAT policies.

Promoting decent work and improving transparency and traceability for sustainable value chains in the garment sector

Partners: [The ITC](#), [the European Commission](#), [UNECE](#), [ILO](#), [SLCP](#), [ICS](#) and [Amfori](#)

The International Trade Centre, an agency of the United Nations and WTO, invites you to learn about a new multi-year programme that builds on the collective expertise of partner organizations to promote decent work and improve transparency and traceability for sustainable value chains in the garment sector. This session will highlight the tools and methodologies that will be leveraged in the programme and will invite all interested stakeholders to join an active debate on the best way to achieve the goals.

14:00 – 14:30 **Forum opening**

Secretary General of the OECD, Angel Gurría

14:30 – 15:30 **Demonstrating impact**

This session will speak to the importance of measuring impact on due diligence and what needs to be put into place to demonstrate progress is being made towards responsible supply chains in the sector.

Moderator: **Christine Kaufmann**, Chair of the OECD Working Party on Responsible Business Conduct

Speakers

- **Nick Beighton**, CEO, ASOS
- **Jenny Holdcroft**, Assistant general Secretary, IndustriALL Global Union
- **WWF** (Representative tbc)

15:30 – 16:00 **OECD workplan on due diligence**

The OECD will present its draft implementation programme for the Due Diligence Guidance for 2019-2021.

Speaker

- **Ana Novik**, Head of the Investment Division, OECD

16:00 – 16:45 **Measuring the impact of due diligence**

Exploratory

Global experts will provide insight on how companies can measure the impact of their due diligence and how stakeholders and policy makers can measure in aggregate whether adverse impacts are being identified and addressed effectively.

Speakers

- **Anna Burger**, Executive Director, New Conversations Project
- **Mark Hodge**, Valuing respect project, Shift

16:45 – 17:00 **BREAK**

17:00 – 18:00

Findings from the OECD Alignment Assessment Pilot

Deep Dive

This session will launch the pilot Alignment Assessment report and look at the findings, learnings, and proposed next steps from the pilot assessment. It will likewise hear from the Sustainable Apparel Coalition on their experience in the pilot.

Speakers

- **Jennifer Schappert**, Policy Advisor, OECD
- **Baptiste Carriere-Pradal**, Vice President, Europe at Sustainable Apparel Coalition
- **Ben Vanpeperstraete**, Clean Clothes Campaign (tbc)

Addressing bribery and corruption and the link to human rights and environmental due diligence

Exploratory

Partner: Transparency International Germany

This session will look at how companies can prevent corruption in the supply chain and will explore the link with a company's human rights and environmental due diligence efforts.

Speakers

- **Otto Geiss**, Transparency International Germany
- **S. Oliver** (tbc)

Responsible Recruitment: Collaborative remediation in Garment and Footwear Supply Chains

Deep Dive

Partner: Fair Labor Association

The complexities surrounding remediation of forced labor indicators such as recruitment fees can difficult for individual brands to accomplish working with their suppliers. This session will explore how industry actors can collaborate to provide remedy in the cases of forced labour.

Speakers

- **Sumitha Shaanthininni Kishna**, Director, Our Journey; Co-Coordinator, Migration Working Group Malaysia
- **Leslie Shull**, Global Compliance Director, Delta Galil Industries
- **Michael Levine**, Vice President and Managing Counsel, Under Armour, Inc.
- **Philip Hunter**, IOM

18:00 - 20:00 **Cocktail Reception**

Thursday, 14 February 2019

08:00 – 09:00 Registration

09:00 – 11:00 **Moving towards meaningful and harmonised due diligence disclosure**

Exploratory

The first half of this session will explore how the industry can move towards meaningful and accessible public communication on due diligence by companies. The second part of this session will include a discussion with investors on harmonising disclosure requirements for businesses in the sector.

Speakers

- **Global Reporting Initiative**
- **Sharon Waxman**, Executive Director, Fair Labour Association
- **Phil Bloomer**, Executive Director, Business & Human Rights Resource Centre
- **Alexander Kohnstamm**, Executive Director, Fair Wear Foundation
- **Baptiste Carriere-Pradal**, Vice President, Europe at Sustainable Apparel Coalition
- **Anna Warberg**, Associate Vice President, Controversies & Global Norms Research ISS-ethix
- **Richa Agarwal**, BF+DA, Pratt Institute, Managing Director
- **Hannah Shoosmith**, Engagement, Hermes EOS
- **Irina van der Sluijs**, Senior Advisor Human Rights at ASN Bank
- **Louise Kranenburg**, Advisor Responsible Investment & Governance, MN
- **Anna Pot**, Manager, Responsible Investments, APG (tbc)

11:00 – 11:30 **BREAK**

11:30 – 13:00

Measuring the uptake and impact of due diligence

Consultation

In 2019 the OECD will launch a feasibility study on measuring the uptake and the impact of due diligence funded by the European Commission. To kick off this work, this session will include a consultation with stakeholders on what the OECD should seek to measure as well as map existing efforts. This session will build on the plenary sessions and will include learnings from the OECD's work on impact measurement in the minerals sector.

This session will be held as a moderated consultation.

11:30 – 12:30

Communicating responsibly with end users on the sustainability of garment and footwear products

Exploratory

Partner: UN Environment

The session will explore how companies can communicate their due diligence efforts on a product level throughout the supply chain and to their consumers in a way that enables consumers and other end users of the information to make meaningful and fully informed purchasing or investment decisions. It will also aim to identify and discuss the main challenges that need to be addressed in order for organisations to excel when communicating about their products' sustainability performance in the garment and footwear sector.

11:30 – 12:30

ACT Cambodia: The link between national collective bargaining and international purchasing practices

Deep Dive

Partners: ACT, GMAC

ACT seeks to initiate collective bargaining in the supply chain and in doing so address wages and buyer purchasing practices. This session will look at Cambodia and provide an update on activities in the country as well as learnings and challenges. It will likewise provide an update on how ACT is engaging in other key markets.

Speakers

- **Frank Hoffer**, Executive Director, ACT
- **Ken Loo**, Secretary – General, Garment Manufacturers Association in Cambodia (GMAC)
- **Som Chamnan**, Advisor to Minister, Ministry of Labor and Vocational Training
- **Libby Annat**, Primark
- **Christina Hajagos-Clausen**, IndustriALL Global Union
- **Ath Thorn**, CLC-C.CAWDU President

12:30 – 14:00 LUNCH

13:00 – 15:30

How can companies take a better risk-based approach to due diligence?

Workshop

Partners: the Dutch Agreement on Sustainable Garments and Textile; Solidaridad

Please pre-register for this workshop [online](#).

Due diligence is risk-based meaning that companies should respond to the most severe risks and impacts in their supply chains first. This hands-on workshop will deep dive on the topic of prioritisation by examining an example company risk assessment and discussing how companies can prioritise actions based on the scale, scope and irremediable character of risks, supported by stakeholders.

14:00 – 15:30

Responsible purchasing practices

Deep Dive

The OECD Forum provides an opportunity to follow global developments in the sector to adopt responsible purchasing practices. This year's Forum will also include a technical deep dive on how companies can put purchasing practices into practice.

Speakers

- **Reidun Blehr Lånkan**, Senior Advisor, IEH Ethical Trading Initiative Norway
- **Martin Buttle**, Category Lead: Clothing & Textiles at Ethical Trading Initiative
- **Doug Cahn**, Co-Founder, Better Buying
- **Christina Hajagos-Clausen**, IndustriALL Global Union
- **Doug Miller**, Fair Wear Foundation

14:00 – 15:30

Due diligence and responsible investment in emerging markets

Exploratory

Partner: GIZ

This session will explore how companies and investors can conduct due diligence in emerging markets in global garment supply chains, as well as hearing the experiences of producer countries, including Ethiopia.

Moderator

- **Elisaveta Kostova**, Sustainable Textiles Programme (e-Text), Ethiopia, Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ)

Speakers

- **Dr. Liang Xiaohui**, Chief Researcher, Office for Social Responsibility, China National Textile and Apparel Council (CNTAC)
- **Mamohale Matsoso**, Labour Commissioner, Ministry of Labour and Employment, Government of Lesotho

14:00 – 15:30

Due diligence on upstream production

Deep Dive

Partners: YESS, Nest, Know the Chain

This session will explore how companies along the supply chain can collaborate to carry out due diligence beyond tier-1. It will look explore three different stages of the supply chain: tier 2, handwork and raw materials.

15:30 – 16:00

BREAK

16:00 – 17:30

Integrating a gender lens into due diligence

Deep Dive

Partners: OECD Watch, Amfori, BSR

The session will bring to life how companies can apply a gender perspective to due diligence, including looking at how companies can ensure that their actions to identify and address adverse impacts are effective and appropriate for women.

Speakers

- **Aruna Kashyap**, Senior Counsel, Women's Rights Division, Human Rights Watch (tbc)
- **Natasha Majumdar**, Network Representative India, Amfori
- **Magali Barraja**, Manager, BSR
- **Pinar Fulya**, Oz Iplik-Is Textile Trade Union (tbc)

A due diligence approach to responsible chemicals management

Deep Dive

Partners: ZDHC & OECD EHS

This session will explore how a due diligence approach to hazardous chemicals and substitutions may enhance risk mitigation and prevention in supply chains.

Due diligence in planning for the future of work

Exploratory

Partners: ILO, Li & Fung

This session will explore forecasts about the future of work in the garment sector, followed by a discussion on the implication of this for decent work and environmental impacts in global supply chains, and considerations for company due diligence programmes.

17:30 – 18:00

Closing session