AGENDA
23-24 February 2022

OECD 8th Forum on Due Diligence in the Garment and Footwear Sector

RETHINKING THE BUSINESS MODEL FOR RESPONSIBLE SUPPLY CHAINS
About the 8th OECD Due Diligence Guidance for Responsible Supply Chains in the Garment and Footwear Sector

The theme of the 2022 Forum is Rethinking The Business Model For Responsible Supply Chains. Discussions will consider key developments in the sector, some affecting the very essence of supply chain structures and the capacity of different actors to adopt risk-based due diligence in their day to day activities. A series of panel sessions will explore which type of business models and broader policy initiatives deliver better practice on RBC, across topics from purchasing practices to supply chain dialogue structures, from living wages to climate risk mitigation and adaptation, and from mandatory due diligence to public procurement. Together, participants will focus on opportunities and next steps for scaling those initiatives that demonstrate impact.

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 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.

OECD Forum on Due Diligence in the Garment and Footwear Sector

The OECD Garment Forum convenes over 600 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.

During the week of the OECD Garment Forum there will also be a number of side sessions organised by partners. The side session agenda will be made available on the OECD Forum webpage nearer to the Forum date.

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**DAY 1: WEDNESDAY, 23 FEBRUARY 2022**

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<th>Collaboration among manufacturers on responsible purchasing practices: the missing piece of the puzzle?</th>
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<td>Efforts towards harmonisation of expectations on responsible purchasing practices at the industry level are gaining momentum, notably among manufacturers. Recent key developments, for instance the Sustainable Terms of Trade Initiative (STTI), seek to facilitate a more balanced buyer-supplier dialogue. Within this context, this session will emphasise the importance of manufacturers having a unified voice and how this may contribute towards greater accountability and a joint and balanced ownership of due diligence responsibilities between buyer and supplier.</td>
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|               | **Moderator**  
Dorothy Lovell, Policy Advisor - Garment and Footwear Lead, OECD |
|               | **Speakers**  
Miran Ali, Director, BGMEA  
Matthijs Crittee, Secretary General, International Apparel Federation (IAF)  
Christina Hajagos-Clausen, Director for Textile and Garment Sector, IndustriALL Global Union  
Jascha Hoffmann, Senior Sustainability Coordinator, Waschbär  
Fernando Pimentel, President of the Board of Directors, Brazilian Textile and Apparel Industry Association (Abit) |

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<td>In the road to due diligence implementation, certain business models and policy approaches are driving better Responsible Business Conduct practices. This opening session will explore perspectives from different stakeholder groups on the types of business models and broader policy initiatives that raise structural opportunities for scaled and improved RBC performance in the sector. A panel will discuss the importance of a number of different approaches, considering business models, supply chain structures, access to finance, design, circularity, transparency expectations, and agreements with trade unions.</td>
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|               | **Moderator**  
Mathilde Mesnard, Deputy Director, OECD |
|               | **Keynote Speaker**  
Yoshiki Takeuchi, Deputy Secretary General, OECD |
|               | **Speakers**  
Alessandra Biaggi, Senator, New York State  
Valérie Bolten, Senior Policy Officer, Ellen MacArthur Foundation  
Márcio Luiz de Freitas Naves de Lima, Coordinator of the NCP Brazil, Undersecretary for Foreign Investments of the Executive Secretariat of the Foreign Trade Board, Ministry of Economy  
Atle Høie, General Secretary, IndustriALL Global Union  
Radi Ivanova, Vice President Sustainable Product Group, Corporate Banking, Barclays  
Tania Lozansky, Senior Manager of Advisory for Manufacturing, Agribusiness and Services, IFC  
Madelaine Tuininga, Head of Unit, DG Trade, European Commission, EU |

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<td>This session will provide an overview of different approaches buyers and suppliers are adopting to ensure that</td>
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purchasing practices enable suppliers to pay living wages. The panel will discuss existing tools and monitoring frameworks that support these actions, and consider the intention-impact gap, what it will take to scale up good practices to achieve impact, and which co-dependent RBC actions (beyond purchasing practices) can support these efforts.

**Moderator**  
Jos Huber, Labour Rights Expert, Retired, formerly Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Netherlands

**Speakers**  
Renee Bowers, Senior Director for Social Compliance, Fair Labor Association  
Trisha Gulati, Chief Human Resource Officer, PureCotz  
Veronique Rochet, Senior Head of Sustainability, Puma  
Bea Maria Ruoff, Head of Operations, Accountability and Monitoring, ACT on living wages  
Daniel Vaughan-Whitehead, Co-Founder and Chair, Fair Wage Network

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<td>Due diligence reporting on responsible purchasing practices: what the data tells us</td>
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<td>The session will provide an overview of the current state of play of responsible purchasing practices (RPP) coverage within due diligence reporting. The session will highlight major barriers to comparable data collection and development of measurable indicators and surveys, as well as share examples of good practice in reporting on purchasing practices across self-reporting, established benchmarks and ESG frameworks. A panel will identify key areas for action and priority next steps to improve development of specific data points and supplier assessments, to allow for sector-wide tracking of this issue.</td>
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|            | **Moderator**  
Benjamin Katz, Policy Analyst, OECD                                                            |
|            | **Speakers**  
Hendrik Alpen, Sustainability Engagement Manager, H&M Group                                      |
|            | Marsha Dickson, President and Co-Founder, Better Buying Institute                             |
|            | Dan Neale, Lead - Social Transformation, World Benchmarking Alliance                           |
|            | Miguel Perez Ludena, Research Lead, GRI                                                        |
|            | Laureen van Breen, Managing Director, WikiRate                                                   |
|            | Aruna Kashyap, Associate Director, Human Rights Watch                                           |
| 17:30 - 18:30 | Responsible garment and footwear supply chains in the Latin America and the Caribbean region: key issues and opportunities |
|            | This session will provide an opportunity to explore current RBC issues and practices within the LAC region, drawing from the key findings of the OECD Garment and Footwear sectoral report on RBC in the region. The new Portuguese language version of the OECD Garment Guidance will also be launched. |
|            | **Moderator**  
Germán Zarama, Regional Focal point for Latin America and the Caribbean, Centre for Responsible Business Conduct, OECD |
|            | **Speakers**  
Paulina Campión, Responsable de Comercio Exterior, Camara de la Industria del Calzado (CIC) Argentina |
|            | Lilian Taise Da Silva Beduschi, Sustainability Manager, Grupo Malwee                           |
|            | Márcio Luiz de Freitas Naves de Lima, Coordinator of the NCP Brazil, Undersecretary for Foreign Investments of the Executive Secretariat of the Foreign Trade Board, Ministry of Economy |
|            | Kenverly Quintana Uran, Coordinadora Gestión Ambiental, Cueros Vélez                           |
|            | Mónica Salazar, Founder & CEO, Dignificando el Trabajo                                         |
### DAY 2: THURSDAY, 24 FEBRUARY 2022

#### 10:00 - 11:30  Addressing climate risk through due diligence for RBC: Practical actions for business

In the wake of COP 26, the UN Climate Change Conference held in Glasgow in November 2021, this session provides an opportunity to reflect on collective steps to bring the sector’s contribution to climate change within global emission reduction targets, as well as preparing adaptation strategies. Hearing from practitioners applying the RBC framework to their climate mitigation and adaptation risks, the session will also provide an overview of a forthcoming OECD tool, developed in partnership with UNFCCC and UNEP, to support companies to conduct due diligence on their climate risks.

**Moderator**
Laila Petrie, CEO, 2050

**Speakers**
- Sanket Bhale, Team Leader, WWF-India
- Bettina Heller, Programme Officer, UNEP
- Hoang Ngoc Anh, Public Private Partnership Coordinator, IDH Vietnam
- Payal Jain, Head of Sustainability - Global Production, H&M Group
- Lindita Xhaferi-Salihu, Sectors Engagement Lead, UNFCCC

#### 12:00 - 13:15  Considering the potential role of sectoral initiatives in mandatory due diligence

Governments are increasingly strengthening their policy tools on RBC to include legislation on human rights and environmental due diligence. Within this context, this session aims to explore the potential role for sustainability initiatives in the context of mandatory due diligence frameworks. Drawing from the current example of the EU Conflict Minerals regulation and the OECD’s Alignment Assessments, the session will explore the benefits and limitations of recognising credible sustainability initiatives as a means to assessing individual companies’ due diligence practice.

The session will also discuss how the OECD’s Alignment Assessment methodologies can support a common understanding of due diligence and a harmonised model for recognising different types of initiatives that are aligned with international due diligence standards.

**Moderator**
Hannah Koep-Andrieu, Alignment Practice Manager, OECD

**Speakers**
- Bärbel Kofler, Member of the German Parliament and Parliamentary State Secretary to the Federal Minister for Economic Cooperation and Development, Germany
- Aleix Busquets Gonzalez, Director Global Sustainability, C&A
- Guus Houttuin, Senior Advisor Trade, European External Action Service (EEAS)
- Veronique Camerer, Head of Policy & Accountability, International Accord Foundation
- Ben Vanpeperstraete, Senior Legal Advisor, European Center for Constitutional and Human Rights e.V. (ECCHR)
- Margreet Vrieling, Associate director, Fair Wear

#### 13:45 - 15:00  Exploring the impact of emerging government policy on forced labour risks

Governments are using a range of tools to tackle forced labour risk in global supply chains, from disclosure-based due diligence law, customs border checks and product bans, through to facilitating collaboration and providing issue- and sector-based guidance to businesses based on the OECD due diligence guidance.

The session will explore experiences implementing these policies, both from the perspective of government agencies responsible for enforcement, and businesses striving to meet the expectations of the policy measures. Further, the panel will consider how and to what extent these policy approaches are driving forced
labour prevention and remediation in the supply chain, through some key examples.

Moderator
Tyler Gillard, Head of Due Diligence, Centre for Responsible Business Conduct, OECD

Speakers
Chloe Cranston, Business and Human Rights Manager, Anti-Slavery International
Josephine Baiamonte, Senior Advisor, Forced Labor Division, Office of Trade, U.S. Customs and Border Protection
Christopher Faroghi, Policy Officer, Trade and Human Rights, Sustainable Development, European Commission
Nate Herman, Senior Vice President, Policy, American Apparel & Footwear Association
Kenichi Tomiyoshi, Executive Vice President, Japan Textile Federation
Heather Webb, Established Ethical Trade Partner, ASOS

15:30 - 16:45 Learnings from the pilot: Integrating RBC in Public Procurement of Textiles

In 2021, the OECD ran a pilot to support public buyers in integrating OECD risk-based due diligence into their purchases of uniforms and other garments. This session will provide the opportunity to hear from pilot participants on their experiences, and how the pilot has helped them address key challenges. The discussion is framed by the question of how to balance objectives associated with responsible business conduct and public procurement principles like value for money, competition and ample access for companies of any size. The panel will reflect on those areas where public buyers require targeted support from policy makers, as well as types of tools and frameworks adapted to public buyers’ needs (building on existing OECD guidances).

Moderator
Lena Diesing, Policy Analyst, OECD

Speakers
Amol Mehra, Director of Industry Transformation, Laudes Foundation
Erika Bozzay, Senior Policy Advisor, OECD
Secil Helg, Specialist in Sustainable Procurement, Swiss Post
Julie Lødrup, First Secretary, The Norwegian Confederation of Trade Unions (LO)
Simone Terbrack, Policy Advisor, Federal Ministry for Economic Affairs and Climate Action