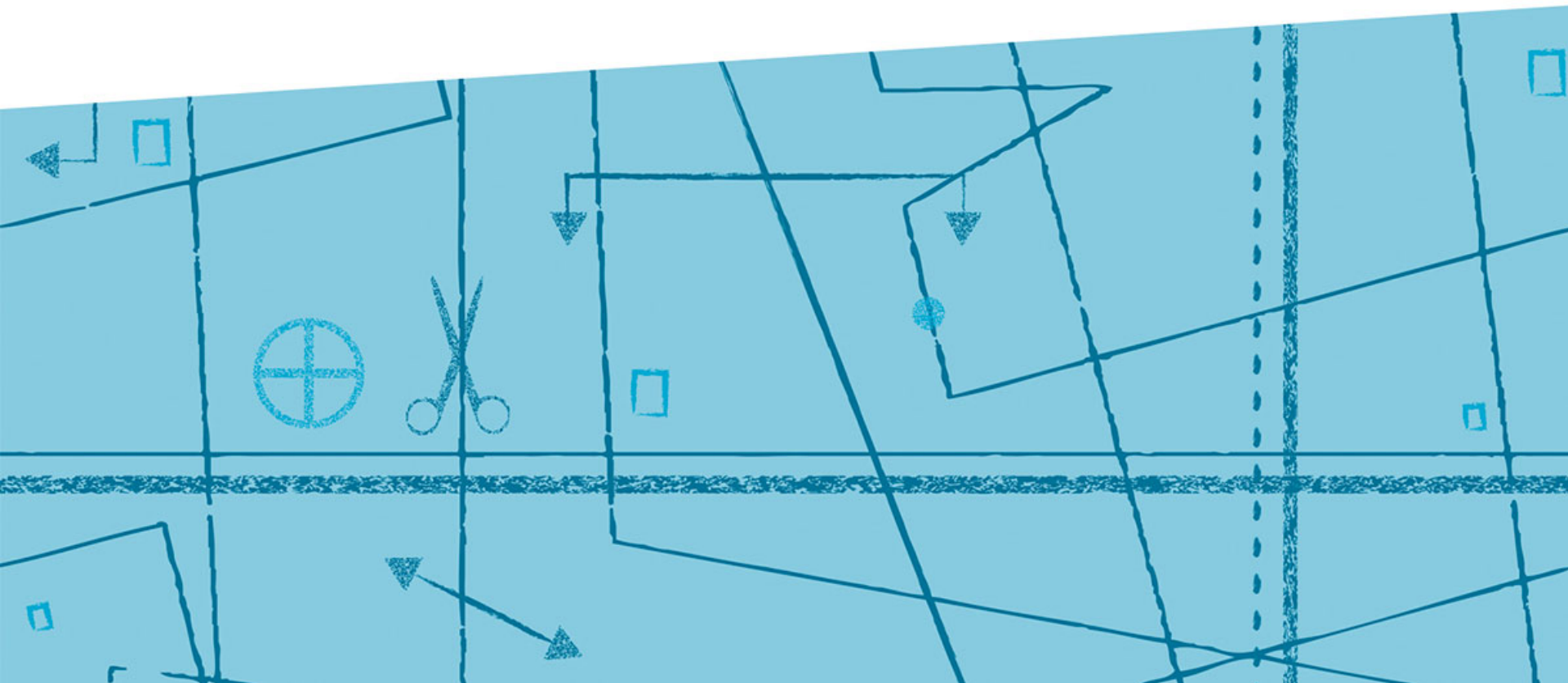




# Partnership for Sustainable Textiles

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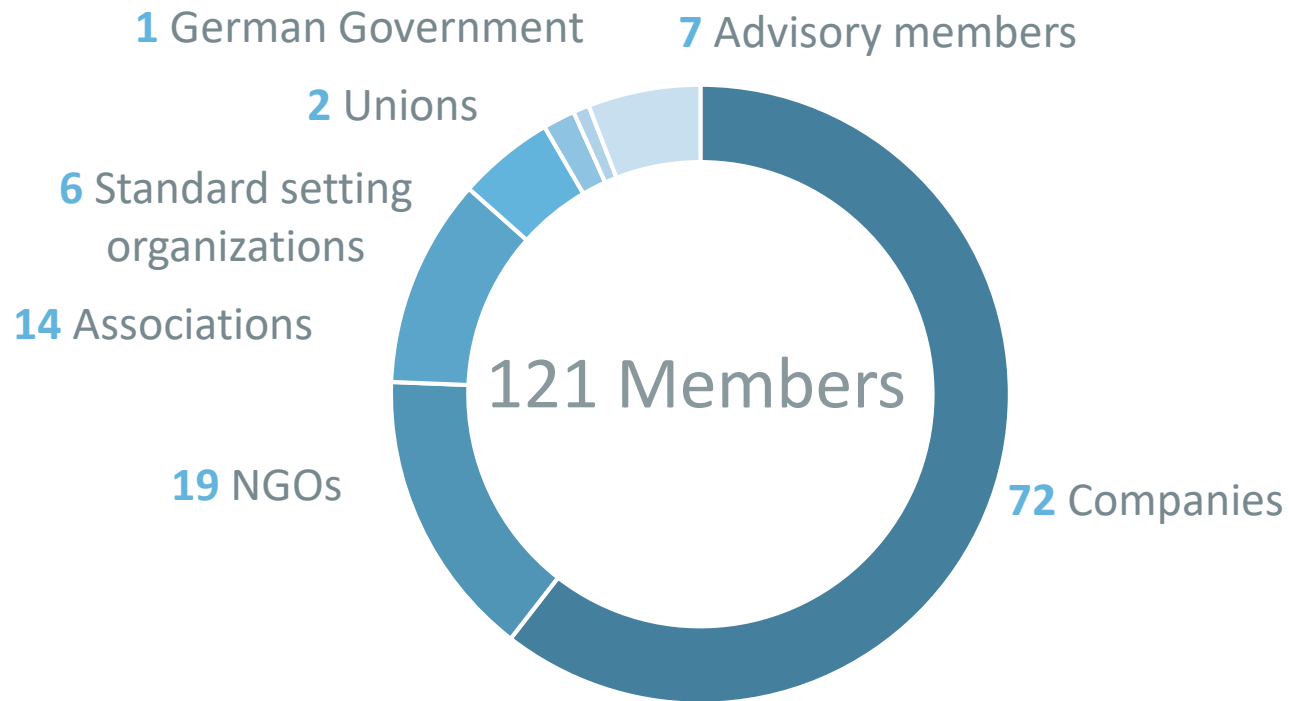
- Multi-stakeholder initiative
- Initiated in 2014 by the German Minister for Economic Cooperation and Development



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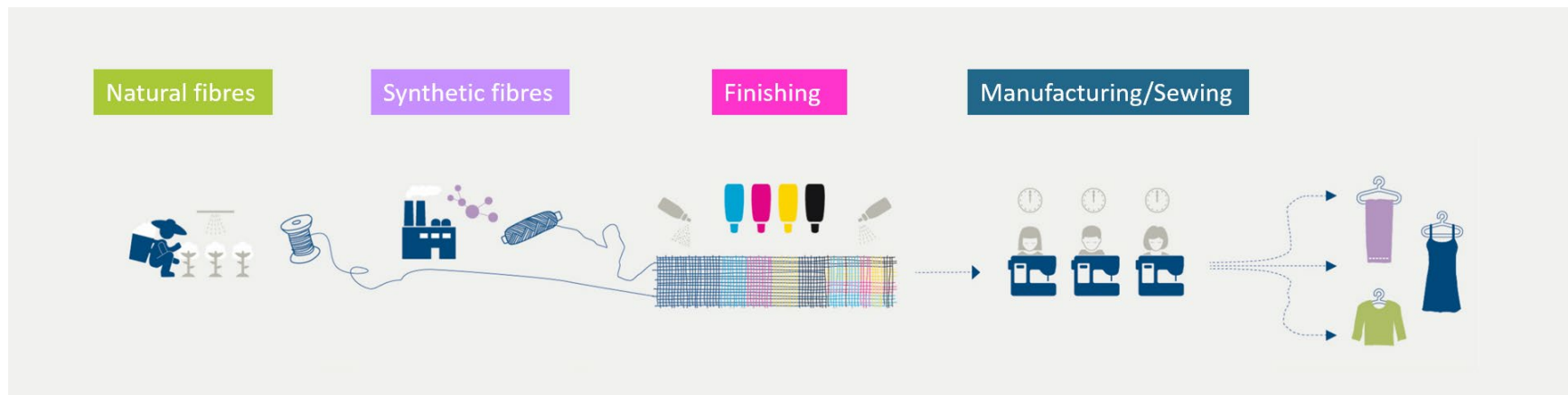
121 members cover about 50% of the German retail market



# What we want

As a multi-stakeholder initiative we want to achieve **social, ecological** and **economic improvements** across the **entire textile supply chain** through:

- Joint definition of Partnership goals
- Improvement of framework conditions in the producer countries
- Recommendations for a coordinated policy in Germany and the EU
- Transparent communication of the Partnership's work and progress
- A Partnership platform for dialogue and knowledge exchange



# What We Do



Improvements alongside  
the entire supply chain

## Individual responsibility

every member  
has to implement  
a Roadmap

## Collective engagement

all members should participate  
in Partnership Initiatives in  
production countries

## Mutual support

the Partnership is  
a learning and dialogue  
platform for its members



# Individual Responsibility

## **Contractual relationship:**

Obligation of all producers and business partners to comply with social Partnership goals.

## **Supply Chain Transparency:**

Systematic identification of all business partners and producers.

## **Political dialogue:**

Influencing policy-makers to improve conditions in the textile industry.

## **Monitoring and Verification:**

Introduction of an effective verification and monitoring system for implementation of the measures to improve the social and environmental conditions in the supply chain.



# Collective Engagement

## Our Partnership Initiatives

- Improvement of working conditions in South India
- Strengthening sustainable chemical and environmental management in Asia
- Improving purchasing practices to work towards living wages
- Planned initiatives: Waste water management, organic cotton, complaint mechanism



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# Mutual Support, Learning

- **Webinars** for example : procurement and business practices, living wages, child and forced labour
- **Practice courses** for companies for example: „Social impacts in the textile supply chain“
- **Publications** on topics such as risk analysis, policy, chemical management and prevention of corruption



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## 8 strategic cooperation partners



IRBC Agreements  
*Agreement on Sustainable Garments and Textile*



 Sustainable  
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Ø ZDHC





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# Questions and comments





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