

Minutes

Virtual conference meeting #5 – Policy Recommendation Subgroup

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Agenda item	Discussion	Comments / Status	Action/Decision
<p>11. Progress - Draft Policy Recommendation (Part I)</p> <p>Highlights from experts' consultation, <i>Maria Teresa Pisani</i></p>	<p>Update on the main developments in the Policy Recommendation, Part I: inclusion of a specific reference to the global instruments the project is aligned with in the <i>Introduction</i>. The <i>Target audience</i> was complemented to include multi-stakeholder actors. In addition to the <i>Benefits</i> entailed by enhancing transparency and traceability, the text now also draws upon the <i>Challenges</i>. The issue of governance and trust in regard to data sharing will be further developed in the Guidelines (Part II, Policy Recommendation). It also elaborates more on the need to do a risk-assessment of the unintended consequences resulting from traceability that could be harmful for vulnerable groups. The risk-based approach is encouraged, and the Guidelines, Part II will go more in depth into the conduct of a risk</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Consider adding the chamber of commerce to the list of stakeholders (next to “industry peers & business associations”), as they can play a supporting role in the dissemination of the project’s deliverables through their networks to increase confidence and reliability in the value chains. Consider also adding the ICC. • Consider replacing “disadvantaged” by “vulnerable” and adding 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The secretariat and project team will: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Add public procurement criteria under the recommendation about financial incentives. ○ Continue addressing the comments sent by the experts for the Policy Recommendation, Part I and the Guidelines, Part II of the Policy Recommendation. • Experts are invited to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Suggest inputs for the definition of circularity in the garment and footwear industry;

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<p>2. Update - draft Annex 4 Call for Action - highlights from experts' consultation <i>Francesca Romana Rinaldi</i></p>	<p>The Call for Action aims at accelerating the progress to enhancing transparency and traceability for sustainable value chains in garment and footwear. The document has been revised integrating the suggestions from the experts as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Temporality of the action (ongoing/planned) • Measurable impact • Type of initiative (public, private, public-private foundation, association, CSO) • Expected benefits and impacts <p>The idea of having KPIs against each stakeholder involved in the Call for Action is still being assessed.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The secretariat will organize a dedicated discussion in September around the possibility to have KPIs for the Call for Action. • Experts are invited to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ provide suggestions and guidance on how actions and commitments could be formulated in the Call for Action. ○ provide suggestions on the monitoring and reporting mechanisms for the Call for Action;
<p>3. Stakeholders' ecosystem mapping - highlights from experts' consultation <i>Olga Kharitonova</i></p>	<p>Update on the main revisions applied in the Stakeholders' Ecosystem Mapping report based on the inputs received from the experts:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Prevailing the use of "value" rather than "supply" chain • Chemical suppliers' subcategory kept in Extended Enterprise • Technology providers' subcategory moved to Extended Enterprise • Consumer associations' subcategory added to Wider Business Ecosystem • New stakeholders added in, in the Annex thanks to the experts' inputs. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The secretariat will keep addressing the comments received from the experts and accordingly, updating the Stakeholders' Ecosystem Mapping report.
<p>4. Next steps and experts' subgroup input <i>Maria Teresa Pisani</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meeting #6 Sub-groups mid-September 2020 at 15:30 CET (WebEx teleconference) (date tbc) • Virtual Policy Dialogue or Physical meeting in the Palais des Nations in November, Geneva (tbc) 	