



Joint statement **on the EU Sustainability Due Diligence Framework**

As the European Parliament resumes its legislative work to define its own position on the EU Omnibus 1 Package, and ahead of the upcoming trilogue negotiations, our organisations —*amfori*, *Cascale*, the *Ethical Trading Initiative (ETI)*, *Ethical Trade Norway*, *Ethical Trade Sweden*, *Fair Labor Association*, *Fair Wear Foundation*, *Green Button*, and the *Social & Labor Convergence Program (SLCP)* — reaffirm our collective commitment to advancing responsible business conduct in global supply chains.

We therefore call on the European Institutions to negotiate the simplification of the EU CSDDD and CSRD in a manner that preserves alignment with international standards, including the OECD Guidelines for Multinational Enterprises, the UN Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights, and ILO Conventions.

This means:

1. **Embedding a risk-based approach** as the cornerstone of due diligence and reporting obligations, enabling companies to focus on the most severe and likely risks to people and the environment, rather than applying a one-size-fits-all model.
2. **Allowing companies to work with their suppliers across the supply chain to collect the information necessary for effective and impactful due diligence**, moving away from a rigid cap that may hinder transparency, responsible business practices and meaningful engagement.
3. **Ensuring legal certainty and policy stability**, which are essential for businesses to plan, invest, and engage confidently with global partners.

Risk-based due diligence makes business sense as it allows prioritising action where it matters most. It enables companies to prioritise risks and therefore manage them effectively, build resilient supply chains, and contribute meaningfully to the EU's climate and social goals.

We stand ready to support the EU institutions in delivering a framework that is ambitious, risk-based, and fit for purpose — one that strengthens Europe's global leadership and levels the playing field for companies.

Signatories

amfori, 2400 member companies
Cascale, 309 member companies
Ethical Trading Initiative (ETI), 95 members – companies, trade unions and NGOs
Ethical Trade Norway, 215 members
Ethical Trade Sweden, 51 members
Fair Labor Association, 2660 members and affiliates

Fair Wear Foundation, 130 member companies
Green button, +100 companies have passed this certification audit since its introduction
Social Labor Convergence Program (SLCP), 241 signatories