

INDITEX

A woman with dark hair, wearing a light-colored jacket, is focused on operating a green industrial sewing machine. She is holding a piece of fabric and adjusting it on the machine's bed. The machine has a large white spool of thread on the right side. The background is slightly blurred, showing other workers in a factory environment.

Human Rights

About this report

The aim of this report is to spotlight the key aspects of Inditex's commitment with respect to human rights, the lessons learned so far and how we tackle the future from this standpoint.

In doing so, our reference is the Reporting and Assurance Frameworks Initiative (RAFI), the first comprehensive guide for companies reporting their progress on human rights^[1]. The framework enables companies to respond to increasing demands in connection with human rights among their stakeholders, and to guide and ensure best practices when it comes to disseminating and reporting information on their policies, processes and performance in this area.

^[1] Developed by Shift (in collaboration with the consultant Mazars UK), the leading centre of expertise on the UN Guiding Principles, which runs the Business Learning Program, a space to share practices and lessons in connection with fostering human rights at companies in various sectors, in which Inditex participates.



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Inditex has an unwavering commitment to human rights, which entails an approach throughout the value chain and an alignment process with best practices to enable us to play an active role in promoting human rights and to work pro-actively in their respect.

In making this journey, we count, since 2016, with a strategy aligned with the UN Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights (hereinafter referred to as the Guiding Principles) and covers all the Group's operations.

Inditex's human rights strategy:

- / Covers the entire business model and the development of all our operations globally.
- / Involves all levels, both internal (employees) and external (customers, suppliers' workers, local communities and other stakeholders).
- / Encompasses the Group's own operations and business relations.

Human rights are

- / Inherent to all human beings, without distinction on the basis of nationality, place of residence, gender, national or ethnic background, colour, religion, language or any other condition.
- / Interrelated, interdependent and indivisible.

All human beings are born free and equal in dignity and rights. They are endowed with reason and conscience and should act towards one another in a spirit of brotherhood. **Article 1, Universal Declaration of Human Rights, 1948**



Inditex's human rights strategy

Integrating the promotion of and respect for human rights throughout our value chain

Policy on Human Rights
Approved by the Board of Directors in 2016. It applies to the entire Group.

Due diligence
Identifies and prioritizes the potential impact arising from operations and relationships and integrates results in processes, with the aim of preventing, mitigating or, where appropriate, remediating.

Grievance mechanisms
Underpin the identification of potential impacts and help strengthen aspects of the due diligence process.





1. Governance of respect for human rights

1.1. Journey / 1.2. Policy commitment /
1.3. Embedding respect for human rights / 1.4. Awareness

1.1. Journey

The commitment to human rights is at the very root of what is today the Inditex Group. The Company has always understood that the business must prioritise the people with whom it relates (internally and externally).

As Inditex has grown, this spirit has accompanied each new phase of growth and development. Accordingly, respect for human rights has been a constant, intrinsic to the understanding of its relationship with the background and context.

There are two relevant elements to take into account in this journey, and they are interrelated. Firstly, an increasingly complex environment. A multinational presence, online sales, a global supply chain or the constant interaction and greater interdependence of public and private players in international trade relations lead to a profound reflection on the Company's scope and role with respect to human rights.

To guide this reflection, in 2011 the second disruptive element appeared: the Guiding Principles.

Following the publication of the Guiding Principles, a new phase of the journey commenced. At that point, we started to align our processes to the spirit of the Guiding Principles, understanding respect for human rights not only as a way

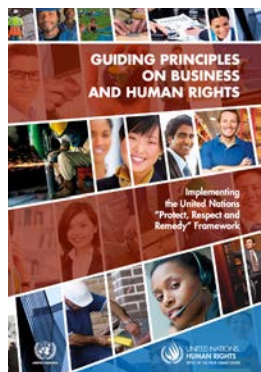
of doing things, but as a continuous and technical task involving the creation of specific policies and processes in this area.

Business enterprises should respect human rights. This means that they should avoid infringing on the human rights of others and should address adverse human rights impacts with which they are involved.

Guiding Principle 11

Hence, in 2016 our Policy on Human Rights was approved, and our work was structured into a strategic framework.

The evolution of the industry, and its transformation, can only be achieved in tandem with sustainability, and, at the same time, a company can only be sustainable if respect for human rights is an integral part of its business model.



UN guiding principles for business and human rights

- / The first framework that directly related companies to their human rights.
- / Approved in 2011 by the United Nations Human Rights Council.
- / 31 principles aimed mainly at governments and companies.
- / Responsibility beyond compliance with national and international laws.



Human rights strategy journey

- / The Policy on Human Rights is approved in 2016.
- / Training the social sustainability team in due diligence processes.
- / Preparation of the impact matrix on supply chain.
- / Launch of the social sustainability strategy "Workers at the Centre 2019-2022".
- / Analysis of the impact of the covid-19 health crisis on human rights.
- / Development of the social sustainability strategy in the supply chain and extension to other relevant areas of the Company.
- / Update of the due diligence in the supply chain.

A company can only be sustainable if respect for human rights is an integral part of the business model



Inditex's human rights strategy

Policy on Human Rights | Due diligence | Grievance mechanisms

1.2. Policy commitment

The Policy on Human Rights represents the first pillar of our strategy. The Board of Directors of Inditex approved the policy in 2016, after the Audit and Control Committee (now the Audit and Compliance Committee) and the Social Advisory Board issued favourable reports. This policy is binding upon the entire Group and its employees and extends to any person associated with the Company. It is based on the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, as well as on the main conventions of the International Labour Organization and the United Nations Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights, among others, and embodies Inditex's commitment to the values that these frameworks represent.

The responsibility of business enterprises to respect human rights refers to internationally recognized human rights – understood, at a minimum, as those expressed in the International Bill of Human Rights and the principles concerning fundamental rights set out in the International Labour Organization's Declaration on Fundamental Principles and Rights at Work.

Guiding Principle 12

For Inditex, it is paramount to foster respect for all universally recognised human rights, and this policy is therefore consistent with the Company's principles of action and with our objective of contributing to the 17 United Nations Sustainable Development Goals.

In a materiality exercise, the Policy also identifies the rights most directly connected with the business model.

Policy on Human Rights

Respect for all universally recognised human rights

Prioritisation of rights most closely linked to the business model

Non-labour human rights

- / Respect for the rights of minorities and communities.
- / Right to privacy.
- / Right to health.
- / Right to freedom of opinion, information and expression.
- / Right to security of the person.
- / Contribute to the fight against corruption.
- / Right to environment and water.

Labour human rights

- / Forced or compulsory labour is rejected.
- / Child labour is rejected.
- / Discrimination is rejected and diversity is promoted.
- / Respect for freedom of association and collective bargaining.
- / Protecting workers' health and safety.
- / Fair, just and favourable working conditions.



[i](#) Further information in the Policy on Human Rights

The Policy on Human Rights is supported and fed by other Group codes and policies as well as mandatory standards for our employees, suppliers and other stakeholders. Some of the most relevant of these policies and codes are:

Sustainability Policy	Diversity and Inclusion Policy	Global Sexual Harassment and Sex or Gender Identity-Based Harassment at the Workplace Prevention Policy	Code of Conduct and Responsible Practices	Code of Conduct for Manufacturers and Suppliers
Aimed at defining Inditex's principles in this field and their integration into the Group's business model and activities.	Establishing the diversity and inclusion framework undertaken by the Group. Recognising that people's differences and similarities are what make them unique, and strongly believing that having diverse talent allows for a better understanding and awareness of the diversity of its own customers and the communities with whom the Company engages. Furthermore, it advocates for a culture of inclusion, equality and respect.	Sets out the overarching principles that will serve as a guide for the different sexual harassment and sex or gender identity-based harassment at the workplace prevention policies which may be approved locally in the different markets where Inditex operates.	Aimed at securing professional, ethical and responsible behaviour by Inditex and all its employees in the course of their activities, in any part of the world, as a basic element of the Group's corporate culture. Defining the values and principles which shall govern the relationships between the company and its main stakeholders. Non-compliance may entail disciplinary consequences.	Defining the minimum standard on responsibility and ethical behaviour which must be observed by all the Group's manufacturers and suppliers throughout the entire supply chain, in accordance with Inditex Group corporate culture, firmly rooted in the respect for human rights and sustainability.
Approved by the Board of Directors in 2015 and amended in 2020	Approved by the Board of Directors in 2017 and amended in 2020	Approved by the Board of Directors in 2022	Approved by the Board of Directors and lastly updated in 2012	Approved in 2001 by the Board of Directors and reviewed in 2007 and 2012
Binding upon all the Company's staff	Binding upon all the Company's staff	Binding upon all the Company's staff	Binding upon all the Company's staff	Binding upon the suppliers and manufacturers of the Company's supply chain

Further information on the policies at Inditex corporate website

Other related policies and regulations:

- / The Statute of the Social Advisory Board.
- / Regulations of the Audit and Control Committee.
- / Regulations of the Ethics Committee.
- / The Ethics Line Procedure.
- / Corporate Citizenship Policy.
- / Risk Management and Control Policy.
- / Criminal Risk Prevention Policy.

- / Compliance Policy.
- / Ethics policies.
- / Occupational Health and Safety Policy.
- / Compliance Policy Regarding Data Protection and Privacy.
- / Due Diligence Policy.

All these policies are disseminated and communicated. In parallel, and as mentioned, their application and dissemination is implicit in all the work carried out by the Group's employees, as well as their relationships with third parties.

An ongoing process

The policy is a key element for the implementation of our human rights strategy. It enshrines and embodies Inditex's stance concerning its commitment to the respect for internationally recognised human rights, as well as the establishment of the values and principles that guide its business activity in its spheres of action.

Our ongoing process involves:

- / Reviewing and updating the policy so as to adapt it to any changes that might emerge in the business model or in the context in which the Group operates, at all times guaranteeing its effective implementation.
- / Aligning and developing the internal regulations and procedures underpinning the policy's implementation.
- / Disseminating and raising awareness internally and externally through training and sensitisation in human rights.

1.3. Embedding respect for human rights

The commitment to human rights and, above all, the integration thereof into the business model, is made possible by the belief and drive at the most senior levels of the Company.

The Board of Directors is the body responsible for approving the sustainability strategy and the policy regarding human rights. The Board has a the Sustainability Committee, an informative and consultative body, responsible for advising, overseeing and controlling sustainability proposals, as well as fostering the company's commitment to the Sustainable Development Goals, human rights and relations with the various stakeholders in these matters.

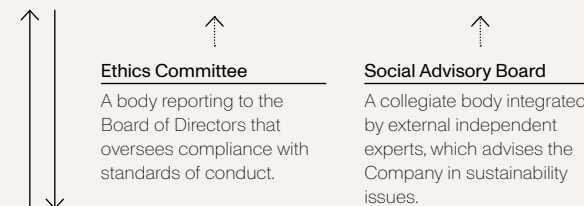
The Group also has a Social Advisory Board, a collegiate body integrated by external independent experts, which advises on human rights, among other issues linked to sustainability.

The Chief Sustainability Officer is in charge of managing all aspects of sustainability, including human rights.

Governance and management of sustainability

Board of Directors

Body responsible for approving Inditex's sustainability strategy.



Sustainability Committee

Body in charge of advising the Board of Directors and overseeing and controlling sustainability proposals in the social, environmental and health and safety aspects of our products, as well as the relations with the various stakeholders in these matters.



Chief Sustainability Officer

The Chief Sustainability Officer belongs to the senior management of Inditex and is a member of the Company's Management Committee. The CSO reports to the CEO, to the Sustainability Committee and, where applicable, to the Audit and Compliance Committee, concerning sustainability, including social, climate-related and product health and safety aspects..

① Further information in our Statement of Non-Financial Information



For comprehensive integration of respect for human rights throughout the Company, we consider that collaboration and communication are key. Every area develops specific actions in this regard, bonded together by the corporate human rights strategy. This integration permeates the entire corporate culture.

Likewise, the functions of various of the Company's areas include the daily management of potential impacts on human rights throughout the value chain. Sustainability, Regulatory Compliance, Risk Management or Human Rights, among others, develop policies and procedures to integrate the results of the due diligence process and permeate the entire company in practising respect for and promotion of human rights.

An ongoing process

The involvement of senior management and the assignment of responsibilities in connection with human rights enables progress in the implementation of the strategy at all levels.

Our ongoing process involves:

- / Periodic reporting to the Sustainability Committee.
- / Organizing meetings and exchange of ideas concerning relevant matters with the Social Advisory Board.
- / Involving various Company areas in responsibility with respect to human rights.



1.4. Awareness

Awareness is the cornerstone for the human rights culture to flourish throughout the organisation.

This culture is communicated both internally to the Company's employees, and externally to suppliers, manufacturers and other stakeholders. Particularly in the supply chain, training is complemented by the work on responsible purchasing

Inditex integrates responsible and ethical practices into everything we do, both internally and in our relations with third parties, to thus promote respect for human rights of all our employees and anyone we relate within the course of our business.

Specific training on human rights

We conduct specialised training in human rights, designed specifically for Inditex delivered through online content that covers aspects such as the definition of human rights, their relevance, the relationship between companies and human rights and, in particular, the role of Inditex in respect for human rights, in a journey along the entire value chain.

This training, received by key areas of the Company, has been complemented with more specialised interactive and in-person sessions for areas such as sustainability or logistics and distribution.



practices, with the aim of aligning commercial teams with our commitment to sustainability and human rights.

In particular, we provide training to suppliers in topics such as gender equality, social dialogue, health and safety issues. Furthermore, training is provided in responsible purchasing practices for the buyers and commercial managers of the various concepts.

Parallel to the supply chain focus, the work we carry out to cover the rest of our activities and value chain is highly significant. In the last few years, training has been provided in business areas such as distribution, as well as fostering diversity and inclusion transversally throughout the value chain.

Moreover all our people have had access to an online training platform, TRAIN, in which specific courses on Compliance and Diversity & Inclusion, among others, have been provided. The same platform hosts Zara Camp, which offers a number of specific courses on topics

relevant to the business model, such as product sustainability or supply chain management, which include and integrate a human rights perspective.

It is worth noting that our people also receive a range of trainings when they join the Company, including on sustainability and respect for human rights.

[i](#) Further information in our Statement of Non-Financial Information

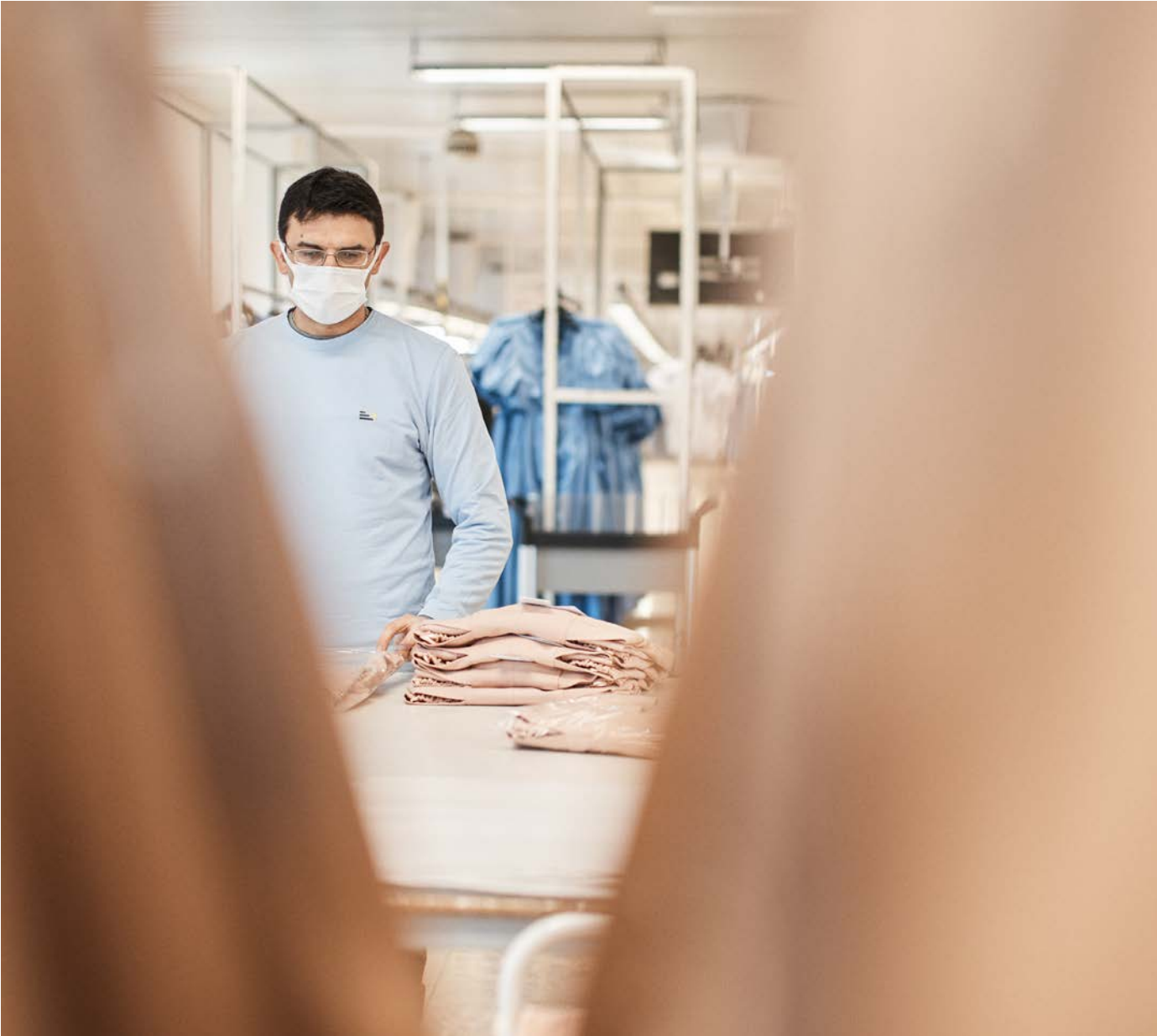
[i](#) Further information at Workers at the Centre Report

An ongoing process

The awareness and training of all our people is fundamental to create a culture of respect for human rights.

Our ongoing process involves:

- / Developing training content and specific skills in regard to sustainability in the online platforms TRAIN and Zara Camp.
- / Implementing training programmes for suppliers and workers in connection with social dialogue, protection of migrants or gender equality, among others, within the framework of the Worker at the Centre strategy.



2. Defining the approach

2.1. Due diligence in value chain / 2.2. Due diligence in supply chain

Inditex's human rights strategy

Policy on Human Rights

Due diligence

Grievance mechanisms

The due diligence process is the tool whereby we identify the potential impacts on human rights of our value chain in order to prioritise them and implement the right mechanisms to prevent and mitigate them.

Due to the characteristics of the Company and the sector, the approach to applying due diligence within the framework of the human rights strategy entails two parallel lines of work, sharing lessons learned and strengthening synergies.

In order to identify, prevent, mitigate and account for how they address their adverse human rights impacts, business enterprises should carry out human rights due diligence. The process should include assessing actual and potential human rights impacts, integrating and acting upon the findings, tracking responses, and communicating how impacts are addressed.

Guiding Principle 17



2.1. Due diligence in value chain

In keeping with the Guiding Principles, we extend the human rights strategy throughout the entire value chain, which means identifying and prioritising potential impacts to incorporate the findings into our activities. The design of these processes involves all the key areas of the Company, such as Human Resources and Risk Management, and it is constantly reviewed and updated.

In this regard, the various processes are undertaken in the understanding of what the potential impacts are, what tools are currently in place to prevent or mitigate them, and how these tools might be continuously enriched or added to. Equally as important are the connection and synergies between the Company's various areas in this process.

For example, notable in this regard is the collaboration between the Human Resources Diversity and Inclusion team and the team that develops the strategy for Gender, Diversity and Inclusion in the supply chain. We endeavour to share best practices so as to replicate actions, and to work in a systemic way to address and foster this perspective both internally and externally.

2.2. Due diligence in supply chain

Due to our business model, our supply chain is one of the most critical elements of our value chain, which requires a special focus on the promotion of and respect for workers' human rights. To achieve this, we rely on our strategy 'Workers at the Centre' strategy. Its aim is to generate a positive impact on the workers of our supply chain as the main beneficiaries of its programmes and projects.

In 2018, we conducted a due diligence process, underpinned by the organization Shift (experts in the field), through which the main potential risks in connection with human rights were identified, creating heat maps for each of our clusters and implementing the principles of severity and likelihood.

This due diligence process is regularly reviewed in order to identify potential new human rights risks and adapt our strategy to prevent and remedy them.

As a result of this process, we created Priority Impact Areas into which the strategy is structured, encompassing the issues identified.

[Further information at Workers at the Centre Report](#)

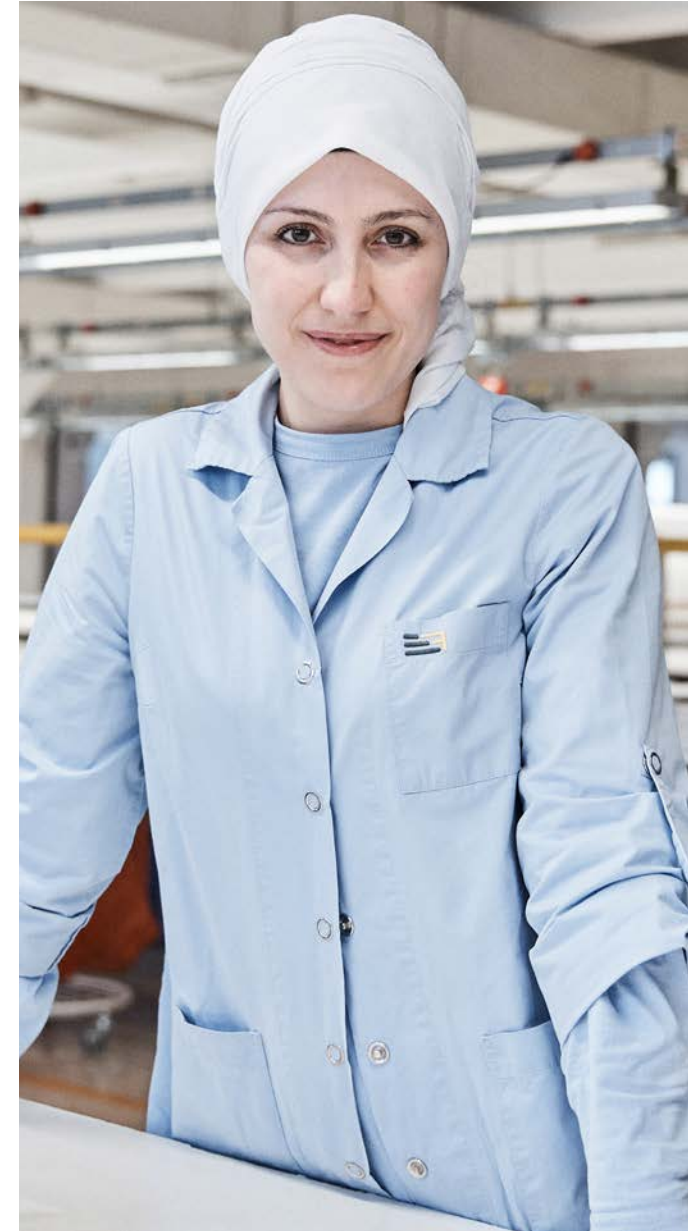
Human rights and environment

There is currently a consensus that the regulations concerning human rights apply to all environment-related spheres.

In 2022, the United Nations General Assembly recognised the human right to a clean, healthy and sustainable environment through a resolution that continues the progress made by the UN Human Rights Council and the continued presence of environmental issues in the reports and meetings of the UN Special Rapporteur on Human Rights in recent years.

This highlights the intimate relationship between human rights and the environment.

At Inditex, we understand this relationship and our focus on identifying and managing human rights therefore includes a broad view of the environment. We include environmental aspects in our due diligence process and take a holistic approach to issues linked to the climate, water or biodiversity, which, furthermore, are fundamental for human life and well-being.



Main human rights linked to priority impact areas

	Worker participation	Living wages	Gender, diversity and inclusion	Occupational Health and Safety	Protection of migrants and refugees	Social protection	Protection of labour rights in the production of raw materials
Fair and favourable working conditions		■	■	■			■
Non-discrimination		■	■		■		
Adequate standard of living		■	■			■	■
Education		■	■	■	■	■	
Health		■	■	■		■	
Life		■	■	■	■		
Not being subject to degrading treatment			■				
Not having to endure harassment			■				
Equal pay			■				
Freedom of movement			■		■		■
Freedom and security of the person			■				
Engagement in public life			■				
Rights of employees with disabilities			■				
Reproductive rights			■				
Freedom of association	■			■	■		■
Healthy environment							■
Ban on forced labour					■		■
Collective bargaining	■	■					
Collective rights of communities							■
Social protection						■	
Freedom of thought, conscience and religion					■		■
Privacy					■		■
Protection against violence					■		■
Healthcare					■		■
Freedom of opinion and expression					■		■
Property		■			■		■



These working areas make up the 'Workers at the Centre' strategy. Each of them entails a specific objective and action lines, and has a specialised working group. They each comprise the three dimensions in which we work transversally across all the Priority Impact Areas:

- / Workplace: ensuring that all production facilities are compliant with our social and human rights standards.
- / Well-being: fostering the development of the communities where workers live.
- / Industry: generating partnerships to tackle shared global challenges involving the various actors in the sector and industry.

An ongoing process

For Inditex, it is essential to work on processes of continuous improvement and due diligence that help us to fuel our human rights strategy and to constantly identify the foremost issues in this area in order to prevent and mitigate any possible negative impact.

Our ongoing process involves:

- / Identifying new potential human rights challenges and risks throughout our value chain, with the aim of preventing and mitigating them.
- / Updating the social sustainability strategy periodically through due diligence exercises.



3. Management of salient human rights issues

3.1. Stakeholder engagement / 3.2. Assessing impact / 3.3. Grievance and remediation mechanisms



3.1. Stakeholder engagement

Communication with stakeholders feeds our due diligence process. Our close collaboration with them allows us to obtain information from different sources to fuel our strategy. The flexibility and speed with which we act on any emerging human rights challenge allows us to incorporate new mechanisms and tools or develop new plans to help us identify, prevent, mitigate and, if necessary, remedy potential impacts.

In this regard, there is no overstating the importance of the solid relationships we forge with expert organisations in the field who support us in developing specific projects, as well as in training and in creating and implementing our strategies, among other activities. Prominent examples of this are our partnerships with the International Labour Organization, the trade union federation IndustriALL Global Union or UNI Global Union, the United Nations Global Compact, or Shift – the leading expertise centre on the Guiding Principles.

It is also essential to establish a dialogue with the groups potentially impacted by the Company's operations, liaising both directly and through their representatives. Listening, understanding and responding to their expectations is part of the due diligence process and, more generally, of weaving respect for human rights into operations and relationships. Employees, customers and workers in the supply chain are some of the groups with whom we maintain an open and transparent dialogue.

An ongoing process

Collaboration and dialogue with our stakeholders is fundamental to developing a robust human rights strategy. As experts in different subjects, they help us to enrich our work plan.

Our ongoing process involves:

- / Collaborating with our stakeholders the promotion of human rights such as the right to freedom of association and collective bargaining.
- / Continuing to provide the necessary tools for workers to exercise their rights through social dialogue.
- / Strengthening communication and collaboration with our main stakeholders in this area.

3.2. Assessing impact

a/ Value chain

A key pursuit is the evaluation and monitoring of the suppliers of all the operations in the value chain, who are analysed even before starting their relations with Inditex. Here, the dual objective is to detect potential impacts in connection with human rights and to immediately establish a dialogue and expectations of co-responsibility in terms of respect for human rights.

With this in mind, the different sectors to which the suppliers belong (all those suppliers of goods and services that do not form part of the supply chain, i.e. not related to the manufacture of the products that Inditex markets) have been identified and analysed. Each sector poses different human rights challenges, depending, among other factors, on the type of workers or the type of process or service they carry out.

We also take into account the type of relationship between suppliers and Inditex, among other things to determine the influence that the Company can exert in ensuring best practices in human rights.

The combination of these factors allows us to fine-tune both the type of pre-assessment for each supplier and the subsequent monitoring throughout the commercial relationship.

The diversity of sectors and their varying degrees of maturity when it comes to the implementation of policies and procedures aimed at respecting human rights means that, in addition to individual due diligence, collaboration with other stakeholders is necessary to collectively infuse this culture of diligence and respect.

In the Company's distribution and logistics area, human rights training is provided to the different teams, establishing due diligence processes which materialise in new tools such as the labour and social audits at distribution centres.

At the same time, companies in our supply chain are subject to our Code of Conduct for Manufacturers and Suppliers. They must meet the standards set forth in the Code in order to join and remain part of the supply chain. We have verification and compliance improvement tools that cover the entire supply chain and enable us to sustainably and responsibly manage our suppliers.

b/ Supply chain

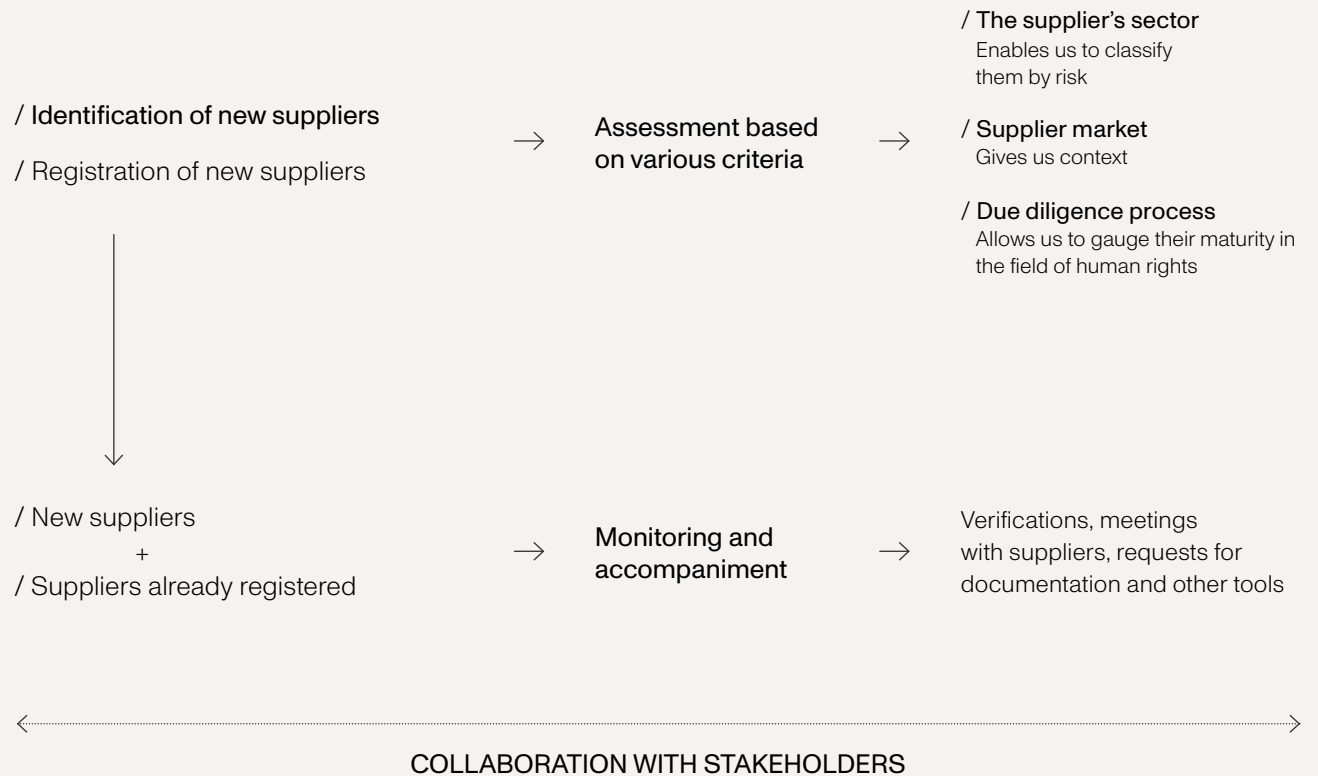
Particularly in the supply chain, progress is being made in the Priority Impact Areas identified and framed in the Workers at the Centre strategy.

The Workers at the Centre report details the different action lines, programmes and partnerships through which the strategy is implemented, and their progress and impact on supply chain workers and communities.



Identification, evaluation and monitoring of value chain suppliers

Suppliers



An ongoing process

The development of mechanisms that support us in preventing and mitigating any potential risks in our value chain and supply chain is paramount to the continuous improvement and ongoing due diligence processes that define our strategy.

Our ongoing process involves:

- / Collaborating with our stakeholders to develop tools and methodologies that facilitate the identification of potential risks in our operations.
- / Developing new lines of action in the supply chain that provide us with an increasingly deeper understanding of workers' needs in order to generate a positive impact.

- ① Further information in our Statement of Non-Financial Information
- ① Further information at Workers at the Centre Report

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3.3. Grievance and remediation mechanisms

Grievance mechanisms, the third pillar of the human rights strategy, are key to improving the due diligence process, as they help identify potential impacts, and allow us to react and mitigate any risk in advance.

Our main grievance mechanism is the Ethics Line, which is available both to Inditex employees and to manufacturers, suppliers or third parties with a direct relationship or a legit commercial or personal interest. This channel enables queries and communications related to the interpretation of and compliance with the internal rules of conduct to be sent to the

Ethics Committee so that it can analyse them and adopt any necessary measures. The Ethics Line Procedure, modified in december 2019 by the Board of Directors, is aligned with the principles of the Directive (EU) 2019/1937 on the Protection of Whistleblowers. Particularly, It is also aligned with the regulatory requirements regarding data protection and the rights of users of whistleblowing mechanisms, as well as with international best practices in the field of human rights. This Procedure offers the following guarantees and measures for the protection of the parties in the process: i) utmost confidentiality; ii) presumption of innocence and preservation of the right to honour of the accused; iii) non-retaliation; iv) appropriate use of the personal data processed; v) The parties' right to be heard.

Another important mechanism is the one established under the umbrella of our Global Framework Agreement with the IndustriALL Global Union federation of industry trade unions. Thanks to the Global Framework Agreement, in force since 2007 and renewed in 2019, we reach out to workers in the supply chain through their representatives to promote social dialogue. The aim of the Framework Agreement is 'to guarantee respect for human rights in the social and labour environment by upholding labour standards throughout the Inditex supply chain'. It covers all the factories that form part of the Inditex supply chain and employ millions of workers worldwide. On this path of dialogue and respect, we have laid the groundwork to effectively secure the proposed goals, creating a communication channel, strengthening local trade unions, training workers, their representatives and company

To make it possible for grievances to be addressed early and remediated directly, business enterprises should establish or participate in effective operational-level grievance mechanisms for individuals and communities who may be adversely impacted.

Guiding Principle 29



management in the Global Framework Agreement and its contents, creating the figure of trade union experts for support in the resolution of incidents and, recently, creating the Global Union Committee as a management and representation body for all areas of the world to ensure global implementation. A direct channel has also been established with them for the resolution of incidents worldwide.

Despite having mechanisms in place to identify and prevent potential negative impacts, sometimes a right needs to be redressed and in such cases it is important to analyse the breach in context, address the demands of the affected parties and provide the most appropriate type of remedy where needed.

In this connection, in addition to respecting mechanisms external to Inditex, we have our own specific mechanisms and procedures for remedy.

We sometimes work in collaboration with various organisations that help us to carry out the most appropriate actions in each situation. For example, we have various supply chain remediation programmes and tools, both in the form of corrective action plans for breaches of the [Code of Conduct for Manufacturers and Suppliers](#) in factories and, more specifically, remediation programmes for migrants or refugees, such as our collaboration with the organisation MUDEM in Türkiye, for example.

- ① Further information on the Ethics Line at Inditex corporate website
- ① Further information in our Statement of Non-Financial Information
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Supply chain – Workers at the Centre: Remediation of refugee workers in supply chain factories

Related rights: Freedom of association, non-discrimination, education, life, property, ban on forced labour, freedom of thought, belief and religion, privacy, protection from violence, and health.

At Inditex we have developed a due diligence process in the area of human rights in the supply chain which has enabled us to identify those priority areas where we can have a greater impact. One of these areas is the Protection of Migrants and Refugees. This group of workers is especially vulnerable because of the various factors that shape their professional and personal lives. To address the challenges of belonging to this group of workers in a global supply chain, we have created three lines of action to help us identify their needs and risks: remediation schemes for refugees and migrants, fair employment and recruitment practices for migrants and refugees, and strengthening social and labour cohesion, the first being the most defining at this point in the report.

In Türkiye, specifically, we work with the expert organisation MUDEM. We jointly conduct assessments that allow us to identify the situation of a migrant worker or refugee using various tools, and to support them in the remediation and regularisation of their case, adapting to each of the specific circumstances.

① Further information at Workers at the Centre Report



An ongoing process

As grievance mechanisms are the third pillar of our strategy and therefore a key part of its rollout, we will continue to work on their implementation as a source of information for identifying relevant human rights issues.

Our ongoing process involves:

- / Identifying all the formal and informal grievance mechanisms.
- / Providing training on grievance mechanisms from a human rights perspective.
- / Developing remediation mechanisms.

Inditex's roadmap in the respect of human rights

Governance of respect for human rights

- / Inditex's journey since the approval of its Policy on Human Rights
- / The Policy, its main elements and its relationship with the Company's other policies and standards
- / The integration of and commitment to human rights at all levels of the Company
- / The need to raise awareness and sensitise the Company's own workers and those of the supply chain in connection with human rights

Pillar 1 of our strategy
The policy

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Defining the approach

- / Due diligence as a mechanism to identify potential impacts in connection with human rights
- / Due diligence in our value chain
- / Due diligence in our supply chain that enables us to trace our 'Workers at the Centre' strategic plan, which comprises the priority impact areas identified

Pillar 2 of our strategy
Due diligence

Management of salient human rights issues

- / The importance of synergies, dialogue and internal and external partnerships to facilitate the integration and implementation of the human rights strategy at Inditex
- / The creation of tools and working plans to integrate due diligence in management
- / Grievance mechanisms that feed our due diligence processes and support us in our continuous improvement

Pillar 3 of our strategy
Grievance mechanisms

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