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Responsible Sourcing and Ethical Trade Forum

London | **16-17 March 2027**

Good for workers. Good for business.



Protect the people and products you depend on

The conference

Forced labour, climate shocks and supplier failure all hit the same place: your bottom line. With new rules arriving in the EU and UK, getting it wrong is about to get even more expensive. Join 200+ senior leaders from brands, retailers, suppliers, investors, policymakers and civil society to work through what actually holds up, from evidence you can trust to a business case your CFO will back. Real scenarios, honest conversation, no box-ticking.

Why attend



Brands

See how other brands are proving responsible sourcing pays, and take home practical steps for your own supply chain.

Policymakers

Hear directly from the companies preparing for EUFLR and UK reform what's working, what isn't and where guidance would help.

Retailers

Compare how peers are handling forced labour risk, claims and own-label exposure before scrutiny reaches your shelves.



NGOs and MSIs

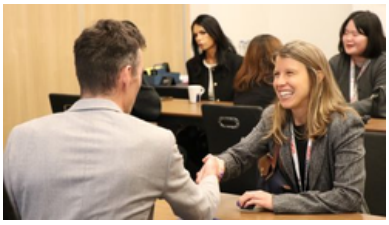
Put workers' realities in front of the people who make sourcing decisions, and find partners to turn commitments into action.

Suppliers

Hear what buyers will expect from you as new rules arrive, and make the case for what it takes to deliver on the ground.

Legal and advisory

Test your advice against what companies are actually doing, and meet the in-house teams caught between legal, procurement and sustainability.



Investors and financiers

See how companies are putting a number on social performance, and spot who can back their claims with evidence.

Technology and service providers

Meet the buyers deciding what to adopt, and hear exactly what they need tools to deliver on data, traceability and worker voice.

Agenda highlights

Day 1

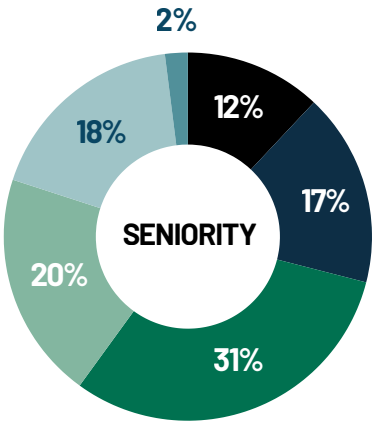
- **Reality check:** Will EUFLR actually change anything?
- **The CFO's guide to human rights:** How to prove social performance protects supply and profit
- **Scenario:** Climate risk says leave. Social risk says stay. What do you do?
- **Trust and traceability:** What evidence do you need to stand behind a social claim?

Day 2

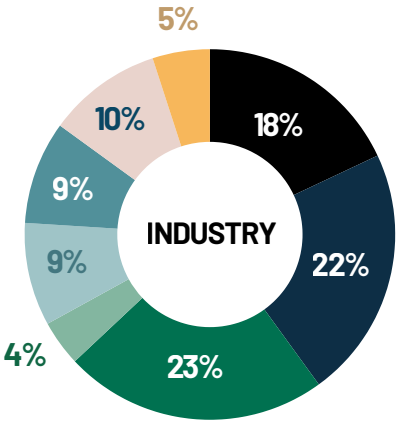
- **Worker voice:** How to build channels workers trust, and act on what they tell you
- **Purchasing practices need to change:** Here's what suppliers want you to know
- **Cash is king, and you don't have any:** How to source responsibly when budgets and headcount are shrinking
- **Collective remediation:** How to fix problems you share with other buyers

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Audience breakdown



- C-suite/VP/Founder
- Director
- Senior management
- Head of/Lead
- Advisor/Specialist



- Agriculture and food production
- NGO and non-profits
- Professional services
- Finance and banking
- Retail and consumer goods
- Technology and telecommunications
- Manufacturing and engineering
- Other

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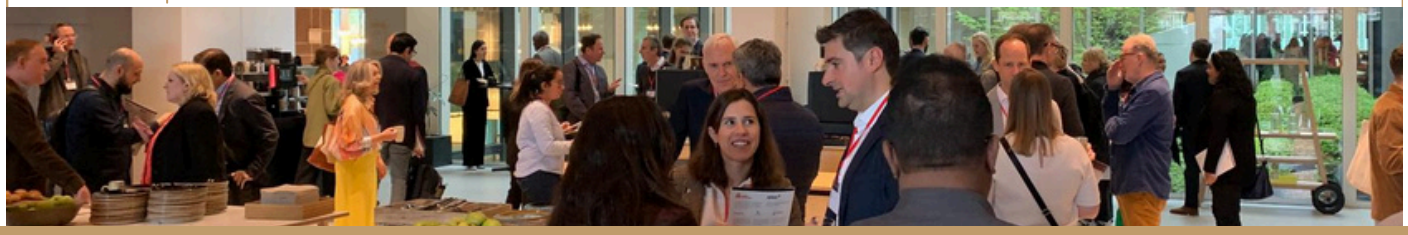
Connect with senior manager and C-suite level industry professionals during **six hours** of designated networking during the event.

DAY 01

Registration and breakfast **60 min.**
Morning break **40 min.**
Lunchtime **60 min.**
Afternoon break **30 min.**
Networking drinks **60+ min.**

DAY 02

Registration and breakfast **60 min.**
Morning break **30 min.**
Lunchtime **60 min.**



REGISTER AND NETWORK WITH KEY INDUSTRY STAKEHOLDERS

2027 Speakers



Anna Vainikainen Outokumpu
Global head of human rights



Natalie Deacon Harrods
Head of sustainability



Mirza Rasidovic Inter IKEA Group
Head of responsible sourcing



Sandrine Ricard Pernod Ricard
Director sustainability and responsibility communications



Norman Mukwakwami Trafigura
Global head of responsible sourcing



Jennifer Revell Monica Vinader
Head of sustainability



Moira Thompson Oliver Slaughter and May
Head of business and human rights



Ramesh Panavalli Holland & Barrett
Head of responsible sourcing



Kathrin Raab Aldi SÜD
Senior manager human rights



Nadia Youds Unilever
Senior human rights manager



Aditi Wanchoo Novartis
Director, human rights

SEE THE FULL SPEAKER LIST

What's different about this forum?

INNOVATION FORUM IS:

- **Candid:** Entirely off-the-record discussion that enables open and honest disclosure from speakers and genuine participation from the audience
- **Practical:** A clear focus on the practical and actionable guidance that can drive change throughout industries and supply chains
- **Focused:** We provide enough time, resources and expertise to the issues that really matter. We don't skate the surface, but get to the crux of the issues to provide in-depth, constructive discussion

INNOVATION FORUM IS ***NOT***:

- **A PR platform:** Enthusiastic speakers are NOT given free rein to fill a session presenting their companies, allowing no time to actually get to the crux of the issues
- **A talking shop:** This is NOT an opportunity for a group people in a room to simply agree with everything said, regardless of outcomes
- **All promise, no delivery:** We will NOT promise what we can't deliver. The issues covered are complex. They won't be solved at a two-day conference. But we will help deliver progress through in-depth, constructive and practical advice around specific issues





Testimonials

"Magic happens when people from different parts of an ecosystem sit in the same room for two days. This year's Responsible Sourcing Forum started off in a great way with the story of a survivor of modern slavery told first hand, reminding us all why and what we are all here for."

Joana Barata Correia
IKEA

"Bringing together diverse perspectives across industries, the conversations went beyond ambition—diving into the real challenges and opportunities of driving responsible sourcing and social impact at scale. Grateful for the meaningful discussions, new connections, and fresh perspectives."

Martina Vernazza Newton
Mango

"Innovation Forum's Responsible Sourcing & Ethical Trade in London felt like a breath of fresh air I didn't realise I needed. It gave me a moment to slow down from the KPIs, risk assessment, and procedures, and reconnect with the real point of all this: people."

Jessica Paz
Ontex Global

"The Other Room format helped us move past surface-level conversations and dive into what really matters. It captured IF's mission perfectly – fostering off-the-record, open, and honest conversations that push the agenda forward."

Thomas Randal
Ulula



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Registration details

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VENUE

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London
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Sponsorship opportunities

This two-day business forum will assess how companies can develop and implement robust human rights due diligence and responsible sourcing policies. We'll look in-depth into the practical implications of evolving legislation and what this means for business operations and the future of (ethical) trade.

Our network



Newsletter/ database

30,000+

sustainability professionals



Webinars

700–1200+

regular sign-ups



Website audience

110,000+

annual users



LinkedIn channels

20,000+

sustainability professionals



Podcast channel

8,000+

monthly downloads

- **Promote a discussion** that aligns with your values, sustainability credentials and leadership position
- **Engage a highly relevant audience of stakeholders** around your sustainability programmes and initiatives
- **Boost awareness of your programmes** through extensive exposure in the months around the conference
- **Support and drive progress** in the practicalities of supply chain transformation and what this means for the future of (ethical) trade.

EXHIBITION AND SOLUTION ZONE

The forum will showcase the leading innovations and solutions that help companies develop and implement robust human rights due diligence and responsible sourcing policies. These solutions will be positioned in the very heart of the networking area. Exhibitors will make the most of prominent exposure over 6+ hours of dedicated networking time, creating long lasting connections with 200+ decision makers all pre-qualified with specific sustainability challenges in your field.

STAKEHOLDER ENGAGEMENT AND COMMUNICATIONS

Around the forum, we'll be continuing the conversation through sponsored workshops, roundtables and webinars. Created bespoke, these discussions are designed to strengthen dialogue and build relationships with key stakeholders. These engagement opportunities allow business to utilise IF's reputation and network to ensure key insights into policies, programs and initiatives.

Click here for more information >>>

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