

HIGG INDEX ONLINE TOOLKIT WORKSHOP

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Rundown

2:00 - 2:30	Registration
2:30 – 2:50	Why Sustainable Development Matters? Introduction of the Higg Index
2:50 – 3:15	Demonstration of the Higg Index Online Toolkit (Facility Module)
3:15 - 3:30	Break
3:30 – 4:45	Trial Session on the Environment Module
4:45 - 5:00	FAQ
5:00	End of the Workshop

Importance for sustainability development



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Greenpeace's Dirty Laundry Campaign



Greenpeace's Detox Campaign and Impact Report



20 Global brands have committed to eliminating all hazardous substance chemicals by 2020



112 killed in fire at garment factory on 25th Nov 2012

1,129 died in eight-story garment factory collapse on 24th Apr 2013



All Global brands/retailers have started to assess suppliers' social & labor performances by itself or a third party audit

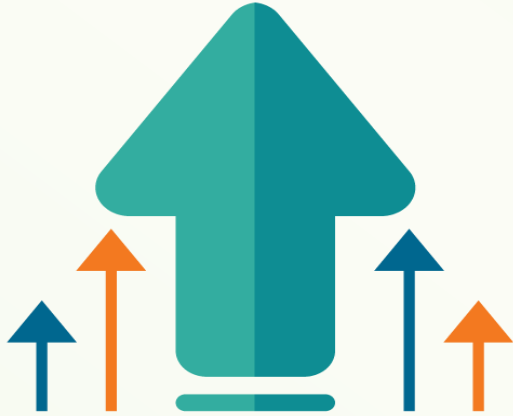
SUSTAINABILITY being in the forefront of our industries' awareness

Greenpeace's Detox Campaign



<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=uZucclsuKaU>

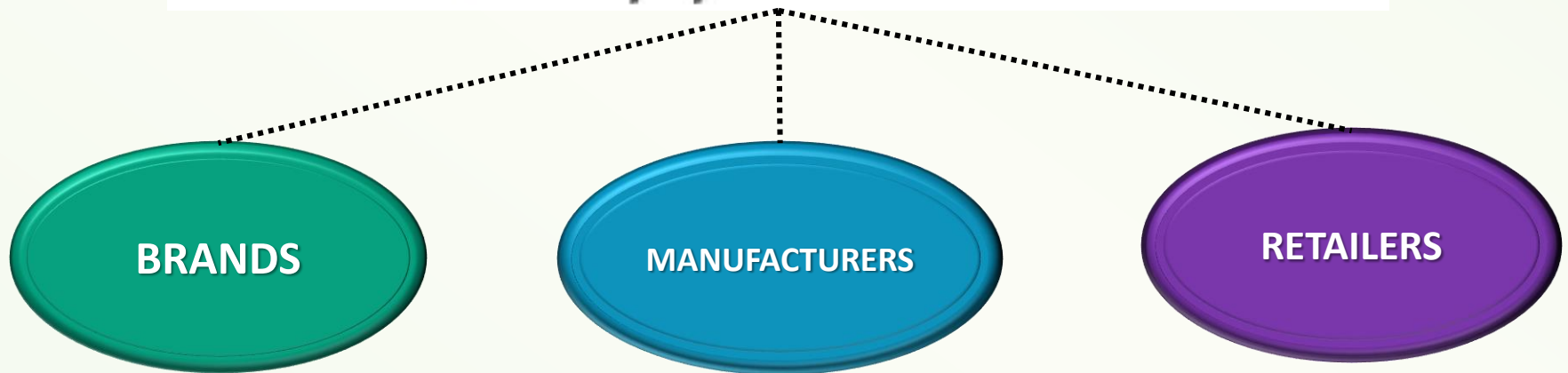
Huge Challenges to the Industry



- Stringent Legal Requirements on Environmental, Social and Labor Aspects
- Growing Demand from Brands / Buyers on Sustainability Performance
- Growing Expectation from Consumers, Community or Concern Groups
- Increase Operational Costs
- Manpower and Resources for Meeting Audit or Assessment Requirement



Sustainable Apparel Coalition (SAC)



Its members cover over 40% of global leading apparel and footwear brands, retailers, manufacturers, non-governmental organizations, academic experts, and U.S. Environmental Protection Agency

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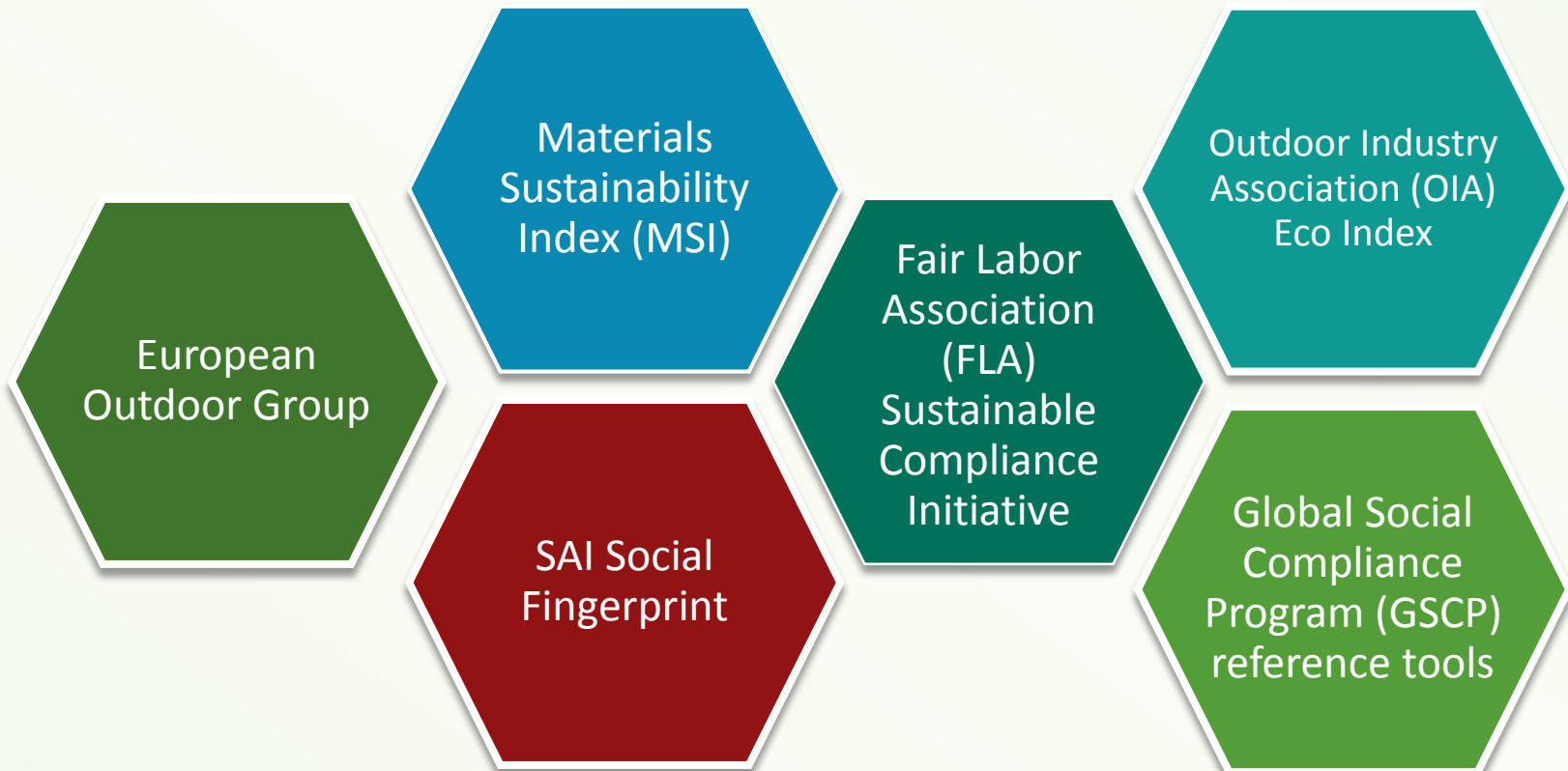
Vision

Facilitate apparel, footwear, and home textiles industry to produce no unnecessary environmental harm and has a positive impact on the people and communities associated with its activities

Focus

The focus of the Sustainable Apparel Coalition is the development and use of the **Higg Index**: a *suite of self-assessment tools* designed to measure the sustainability impacts of apparel and footwear products.

Building Blocks of the Higg Index 2.0



Higg Index – A Unified Assessment Tool

Higg Index 2.0



Reduce
Sustainability Measurement
Redundancy



Benchmark
the Sustainability
Performance



Create
Incentives to strive greater
improvements

Higg Index – Suite of Tools



Higg Index – Importance



Become

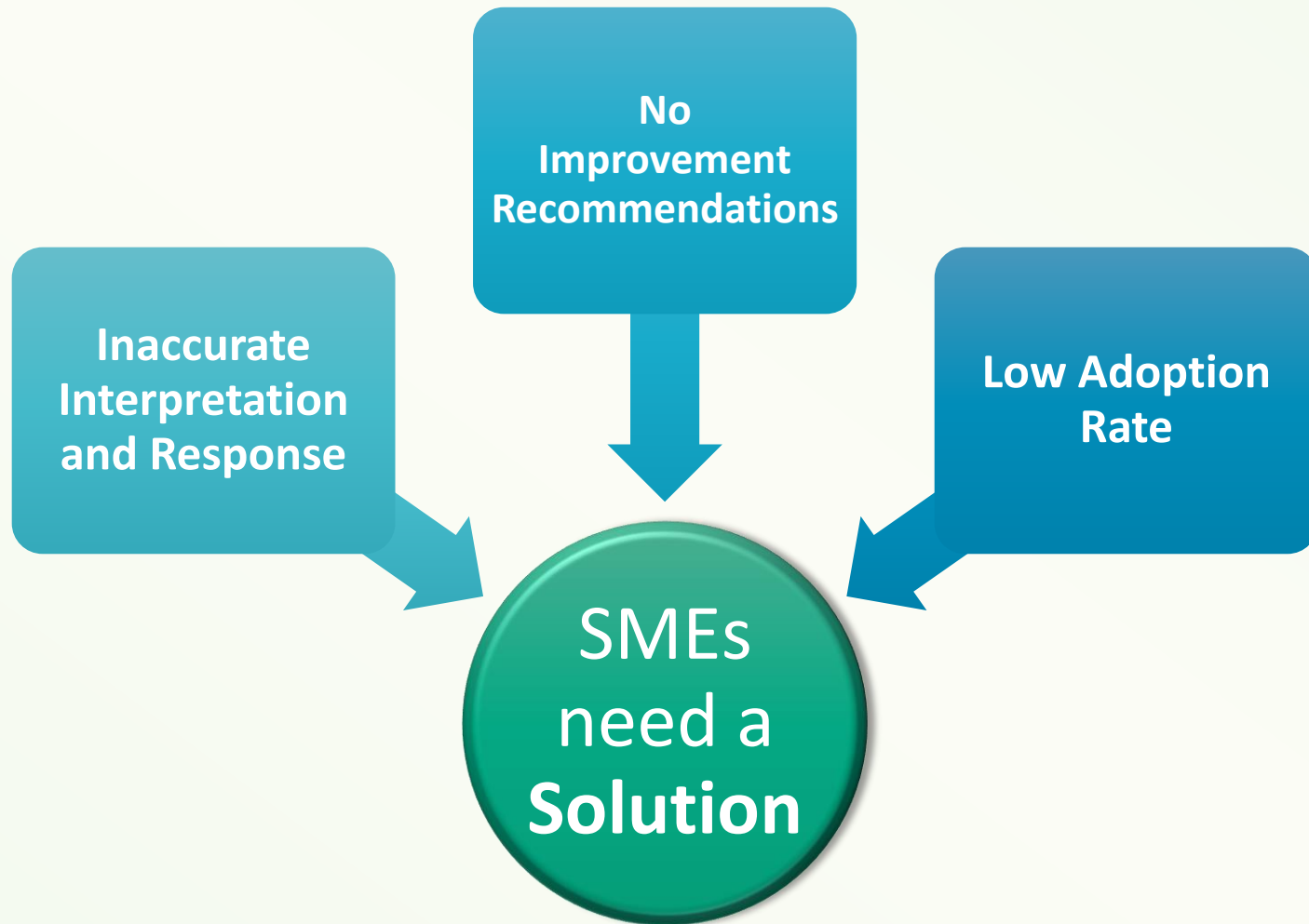
Important Requirements
for International buyers

**Market
Competitiveness**

Company Image

Reputation

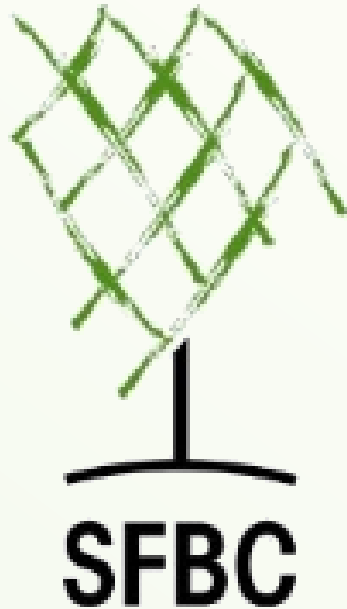
Challenges Encountered by Hong Kong SMEs



Assisting SMEs to face the Challenges



Sustainable Fashion Business Consortium (SFBC)



A group of Hong Kong based companies in the textile and apparel sector committed to **promoting** and **increasing** the use of sustainable practices across the fashion supply chain.

Dialogue

Expertise

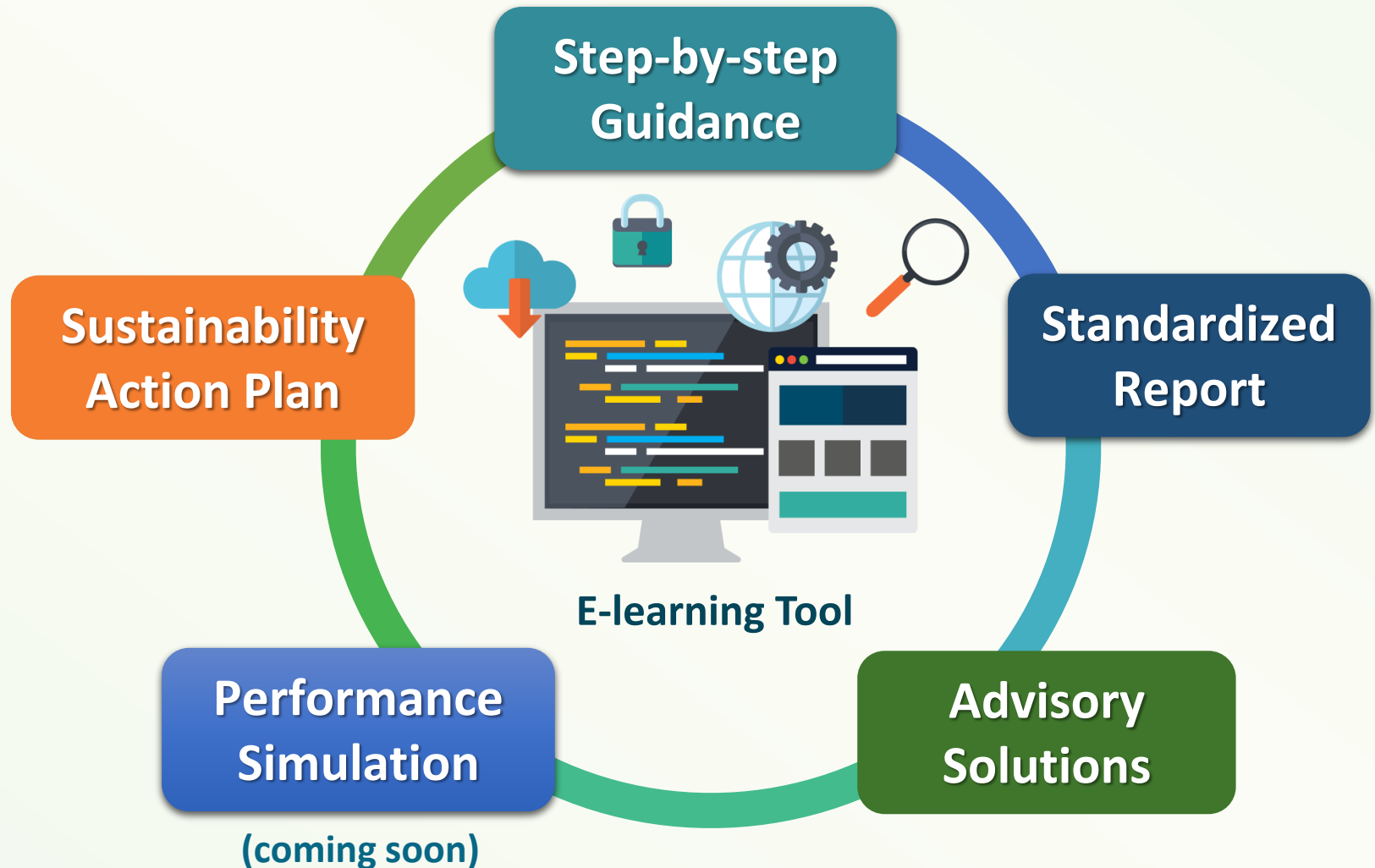
Partnership

Established in **April 2008**

How do we assist SMEs?



New Online Toolkit - Features



New Online Toolkit - Benefits

Save significant cost and time to obtain **FREE-OF-CHARGE** sustainability **advisory recommendations** to improve sustainability performance



Advance to higher level of **competitiveness** over overseas counterparts



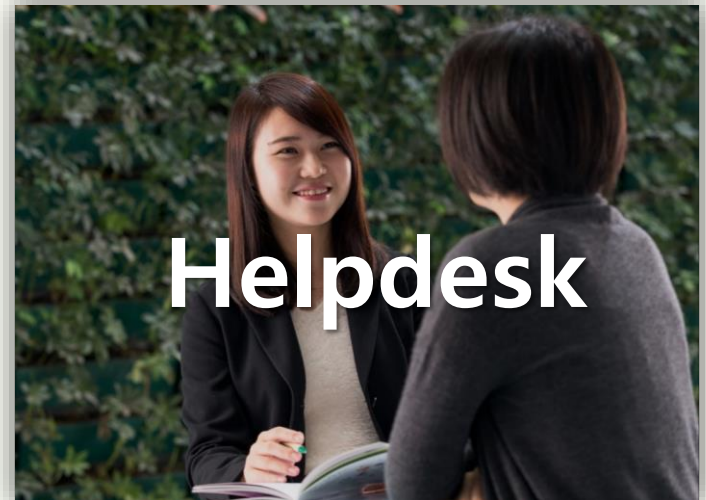
Effectively manage **compliance** towards different buyers' requirements by adopting Higg Index



Get **prepared** to pass the mandatory **Higg Index verification**, which will be rolled out by SAC in near future.



Learns More....





Website of the Online Toolkit

<http://higgweb.sfbc.org.hk>

Higg Index Facility Module
Advisory Tool

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Higg Index

Standardizes the measurement of the environmental and social impacts of apparel and footwear products across the product lifecycle and throughout the value chain

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