

ISSUE INSIGHT SUMMARY

CAPACITY BUILDING FOR SUSTAINABLE SUPPLY CHAINS

Capacity building along the supply chain refers to the process whereby a company takes an active role in collaborating with its key stakeholders as well as business partners to obtain, improve, and retain skills, knowledge, and resources needed towards achieving sustainable development as well as compliance.

If well executed, this process thrives on collaboration and results in **increased trust among supply chain partners and great impact** over time. It is key to ensure effectiveness and consistency of messages by:

1. Clarifying expectations in a policy or Code of Conduct
2. Assessing risks to identify where the strongest impacts are
3. Verifying evidence through audits
4. Acting to build capacities over time where issues are

INCREASED
Collaboration
Trust
Impact



THIS ISSUE CONSISTS OF THREE PARTS AND COVERS:

Part I (September):

- **VATTENFALL:** Exclusive testimony by Sustainability Supply Chain & Strategic Director, **Esther Rodriguez**, on Human Rights Impact Assessment Case conducted by Vattenfall in the coal mining industry.
- **THE FOREST TRUST:** A case study on TFT's engagement with farmers to help enact their vision in a way beneficial to them, the society and their natural environment.

Part II (October):

- **L'OREAL:** Extensive practice information on sustainable sourcing policy, activities to enhance capacity building, progress based on KPI's and next steps.

Part III (November):

- **DRIVE SUSTAINABILITY:** A Presentation of common tools developed by the partnership project to enhance sustainability in the automotive supply chains.

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