

Germany



Name of Resource	Kompass Nachhaltigkeit - Sustainability Compass
Type	Guidance on policy / legislation implementation
Country / jurisdiction	Germany
Enacting authority	The Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development of Germany
Entry into force / date of approval	2010
Description	<p>The Compass Sustainability aims to motivate and support procurement managers in purchasing socially and ecologically sustainable products. The platform pursues this goal with a two-step approach:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Compass Sustainability provides information. The platform provides procurers with an overview of relevant topics of sustainable procurement and lists links to further information. • The Compass Sustainability supports practical implementation. The platform provides examples of companies reporting on their experiences and providing relevant documents such as procurement guidelines.
Availability	DEU: http://kmu.kompass-nachhaltigkeit.de/nachhaltige-beschaffung/

Name of Resource	Plan of Action Partnership for Sustainable Textiles
Type	Policy / co-operation platform, knowledge / information hub
Country / jurisdiction	Global
Enacting authority	German Federal Minister for Economic Cooperation and Development

Entry into force / date of approval	17 April 2014
Description	The Partnership for Sustainable Textiles is a multi-stakeholder initiative with approximately 150 members from the fields of business, politics and the civil society. Together they are striving to improve the social and environmental conditions in the global textile production – from the production of raw materials for textile production to the disposal of textiles. The Textiles Partnership was founded in October 2014 in response to the deadly accidents in textile factories in Bangladesh and Pakistan. It was initiated by the German Federal Minister for Economic Cooperation and Development. Today, members of the Textiles Partnership already cover about half of the German textile market. The partnership aimed to cover 75 percent of the market by 2018. Together, the Partnership members want to achieve social, ecological and economic improvements, as well as the entire textile supply chain.
Availability	ENG: https://www.bmz.de/en/publications/topics/health/booklet_textiles.pdf

Name of Resource	National Action Plan Implementation of the UN Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights 2016–2020
Type	Policy
Country / jurisdiction	Germany
Enacting authority	The Federal Government of Germany
Entry into force / date of approval	December 2016
Description	The Action Plan is intended to launch a process of creating a road map for the practical implementation of the Guiding Principles. Its aim is to pool the capacities of the various players from government, business, civil society and trade unions, particularly actively improving the human rights situation throughout supply and value chains in Germany and worldwide. The National Action Plan refers to the supply chain aspect on page 1, where it quotes the 2015 G7 Declaration section on accountability in the global supply chains. The objectives of the National Action Plan are: To make the UN Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights applicable in practice for all players; To highlight duties and responsibilities of the state and business respectively; To guarantee policy coherence, and; To ensure that German business remains sustainable and competitive.
Availability	ENG: http://www.ohchr.org/Documents/Issues/Business/NationalPlans/NAP_Germany.pdf DEU: https://www.auswaertiges-amt.de/blob/297434/8d6ab29982767d5a31d2e85464461565/nap-wirtschaft-menschenrechte-data.pdf

Name of Resource	The Sustainability Code. Benchmarking sustainable business
Type	Practical/implementation tool and platform for co-operation
Country / jurisdiction	Global
Enacting authority	German Council for Sustainable Development (RNE)
Entry into force / date of approval	July 2017
Description	<p>The Sustainability Code is an internationally applicable reporting standard for topics relating to sustainability. The German Council for Sustainable Development adopted the Code on 13 October 2011 following a comprehensive preliminary review process together with stakeholders. After its successful introduction in Germany and against the backdrop of the European Directive on non-financial reporting by companies (2014/95/EU), the RNE established this reporting standard at European level as well.</p> <p>The code is a practical tool even for all those companies and organisational forms not subject to the reporting obligation for providing voluntary information on their measures related to the various environmental, social and economic aspects of sustainability.</p>
Availability	ENG: https://www.deutscher-nachhaltigkeitskodex.de/Home/Services/Glossar#S