BSCI & Sedex Partnership
Frequently Asked Questions

Q: Why have you decided to collaborate?
A: We believe that by acting together, BSCI and Sedex can provide clarity to the sustainability space and drive significant value for our Members and their supply chains.

Q: What is the added value of this partnership for each initiative?
A: Both Sedex and BSCI Members will gain from this work equally. Each organisation will be able to bring its members much larger and richer programmes than either BSCI or Sedex could launch individually. From a shared Sedex and BSCI anti-human trafficking programme to our shared vision to explore opportunities to enrich member’s sustainability data, we see this collaboration as a way to bring substantial benefit to the industry, our members and their supply chains.

Q: Are you merging your organisations?
A: We are not merging our organisations. Rather, we are collaborating on projects where we can leverage our shared strength to clarify the sustainability space and bring value to our members. Each initiative will remain independent and free to pursue work to enrich their individual membership bases.

Q: Are there different phases in the partnership and what is the timeline?
A: There are no phases to this work. Rather, Sedex and BSCI are collectively and individually looking for ways to maximise value to our members and associated manufacturers on a continuous basis. This work will begin in May 2016 and will continue as long as we can provide added value to our members.

Q: Will there be any changes for members of BSCI and Sedex?
A: Yes, we are confident that the collaboration is a positive change for the industry and will bring many benefits to our over 2500 members and their more than 60,000
suppliers: from improved access to more in depth supply data analytics to pioneering new sustainability forecasting methods to richer audit quality programmes.

**Q: Will you share audits?**
A: No, we are not looking to share audits. Both BSCI and Sedex are looking for opportunities to work together to improve sustainability across several different parts of our organisations.

**Q: What does this mean for BSCI and Sedex collaborations with other stakeholders?**
A: We believe it is important to keep discussions with stakeholders open, and to bring clarity, simplification and collaboration to our respective communities. Both organisations partner with many initiatives, each partner organisation providing a different perspective.

Do you have any additional questions that are not addressed in this document? Our teams will be glad to help answer any questions.

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