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**Sub: Invitation to the Indian launch of the Social and
Labor Convergence Program**

Dear Member,

The Council takes great pleasure in inviting you to the launch event of the Social and Labor Convergence Program (SLCP), an initiative led by the world's leading manufacturers, brands, retailers, industry groups, (inter)governmental organizations, service providers and civil society organizations.

This initiative has secured almost 200 signatories in the years since it was launched. The mission of the SLCP is to develop a common assessment framework and data collection system, **dramatically reducing audit-related costs and increasing industry efficiency.**

Last year SLCP launched operations in mainland China and Sri Lanka with around 200 facilities participating in the process. This year they are starting operations in India, Taiwan, Mexico, Spain, Turkey and the United States with an estimated 1,250 facilities!

The India operations are being launched in 4 cities with the Mumbai launch being hosted by The Cotton Textiles Export Promotion Council of India (TEXPROCIL). The event will be held on June 5, 2019 from 9 am to 4.30 pm at

**The Gallery North (Level 02)
Four Seasons Hotel Mumbai
Plot no 1/136, Dr E. Moses Rd
Worli, Mumbai - 400 018**

What is SLCP?

The Social and Labor Convergence Program (SLCP) developed a Convergence

Assessment Framework (CAF), aiming to improve working conditions in global supply chains by eliminating the need for multiple social compliance audits. The CAF can reduce the need for current audit methodologies by delivering one verified data set that can be used by standards and brands.

What are the benefits?

The SLCP Verification Process provides the following benefits for facilities:

- Address audit fatigue by reducing the number of social audits
- Deeper dive to measure employment practices, thus improve working conditions & employee relations
- Redeploy resources towards improvement actions
- Foster trust and collaboration through the SLCP Verification Process

What can be expected at the launch event?

Speakers from SLCP offices based in Netherlands and the United States will introduce themselves and help facilities and their business partners build their understanding of the SLCP process. SLCP will share their 2019 operations plans, manufacturers associations will talk about the benefits SLCP brings to facilities, and signatory brands and retailers will present their SLCP adoption plans.

Who should come to the launch event?

Participation is open to representatives from facilities, vendors and brands that operate in the home textile, apparel and footwear industry. As the focus will be on understanding the SLCP, and how to implement it within your own company, we recommend sending your decision maker and team members for CSR/sustainability/compliance. Attendance is limited to a maximum of 3 people per facility. Participation in the launch event helps facilities understand the benefits and decide whether they would like to participate in SLCP now or in the future.

What is the cost to attend?

The event is free of charge.

How to register for the event?

You can register for the event here latest by 27th May:

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/SLCPLaunchIndia>

For more information please visit the [SLCP website](#) and for further details please contact:

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Regards,

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