

Better Work Vietnam

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Duration: 2009 - 2014

Target Beneficiaries: Garment industry

Regional Focus: Ho Chi Minh city, Dong Nai, Binh Duong

Main Activities

- Better Work Vietnam enterprise assessments measure compliance with core international labour standards and national labour law. The STAR (Supply Chain Tracking of Assessments and Remediation) information system captures data on compliance and improvements.
- The project updates buyers about proactive steps enterprises have taken to address key compliance issues at their facilities.
- Better Work training resources include training for supervisors, managers and workers.

Chi Minh city

Project Objective

Better Work Vietnam offers sustainable solutions to the challenges of improving labour standards in global supply chains. It brings together government, employers, workers and international buyers to improve labor standards and competitiveness in Vietnam's apparel industry.

Project Outcomes

- The program makes practical improvements to labour standards and competitiveness through a focus on workplace cooperation, combining independent assessments of labour standards with advice and training.
- Independently verified data on labour compliance, accepted by all participating buyers, is produced and duplicative auditing reduced.
- Creating opportunities for benefit from trade agreements and investment options that reward good labour standards.
- Increased access to buyers who are concerned about labour standards in their supply chains.

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