

# SOCIAL & LABOR CONVERGENCE

## CC27 Minutes

21<sup>st</sup> July, 2022 – 14.30-16.00PM CET (Online)

### Caucus attendance

Brands	2 members
Manufacturers	2 members
Standard Holders	0 members
Audit Firms	1 member
Civil Society	1 member
Expert Seats	2 members

Agenda item	Timing CET	Inputs	Ask to Council
<b>1. Opening &amp; Welcome</b>	16.00-16.05	See Operating Procedures on second page of this agenda	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>N/A</li> </ul>
<b>2. Minutes CC26</b>	16.05-16.10	2A. Draft minutes CC26.1 2B. Summary outcome Culture session (CC26.2)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Approve/amend minutes</li> </ul>
<b>3. Progress update</b>	16.10-16.20	3. 2022 progress update	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Be updated on budget progress.</li> </ul>
<b>4. Governance</b>	16.20-16.30	Council Committees Refresh <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Council Chair's email sent 11/12 July</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Request to complete the survey</li> <li>Be advised on next steps</li> </ul>
<b>5. CC28 in-person meeting</b>	16.30-16.50	5. CC28 In Person meeting Sept – initial thoughts	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Agree/amend proposal to extend meeting to Thursday 29 morning for Committee sessions.</li> <li>Feedback and suggestions to building blocks for agenda</li> </ul>
<b>6. SAC-SLCP Relationship and Separation</b>	16.50-17.20	6. Verbal updates on progress SAC-SLCP Joint Working Group <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A. Finance Committee Chair's email to Council on re-composition SLCP delegation</li> <li>B. Memo to Chair SAC</li> <li>C. Statement Laudes Foundation</li> </ul> <i>Note: Additional documentation may be sent in second batch.</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Be updated on progress</li> <li>Q&amp;A</li> </ul>
<b>7. Updates &amp; Reminders (Council members to read for themselves)</b>	17.20-17.30	Notes: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Annual report planned to send out ASAP (awaiting Audit outcome)</li> <li>Signatory webinar July, with planned caucus break-out sessions (co-led by Council members)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Be informed on Annual Report publication</li> <li>Quick update/Q&amp;A on July Signatory webinar</li> </ul>

		<p><i>Reminders:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Follow us on <a href="#">LinkedIn</a>.</li> <li>• Follow us on <a href="#">Twitter</a> - @slconvergence</li> </ul> <p><i>Reminder - Council engagement on <a href="#">SLCP Signatory Portal</a>.</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Support SLCP via social media</li> </ul>
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### Key Decisions Summary – CC27

- CC26 Minutes approved:
  - CC26(2) summary overview on Organizational Culture to be a reference point for next steps in continuing to optimize Council engagement and culture
- Operation: Adoption targets are on schedule to meet 2022 Target (8,000) based on trend analysis from previous years
  - Increasing number of brands accepting SLCP data (63)
  - New collaboration agreement underway with Fair Wear Foundation
- Finance: Strong overall financial position based on 2022 progress:
- CC28 agenda items (see initial building blocks sent as pre-read): possible case for more focus on fewer/strategic topics, allowing less important/more routine items to be dealt with via a separate online meeting (or on day 3 AM)
- SAC/ SLCP relationship and separation:
  - Joint Working Group (JWG) being reset with changes in representation on both sides: SLCP (now Steve, Anna, Janet) and SAC (now Tamar, Pascal and Wendy)
- Virtual General Assembly date: planned for 14<sup>th</sup> December

### 1. Opening and Welcome

- Reminder on Chatham House rules and anti-trust guidelines.
- No majority decisions to be made in CC27.

### 2. CC26 Minutes

#### Decisions

- CC26 minutes approved.
  - Names of TAC chairs are mentioned, Janet and Tom to confirm as to whether that is within Chatham House Guidelines
- Summary Overview of Organizational Culture Session (CC26(2)) key take aways endorsed

### 3. Progress (Operational) Updates

#### Context/ Discussion

- CAF Adoption and Updates
  - So far, 2519 VRF in 2022 (31% of the 2022 Target - 8,000 VRFs). We are on schedule, based on seasonal uptake trend from previous years
  - Expecting peak in Q3, will need to continue to monitor Verifier / Verifier Body availability
- SLCP Acceptance and Convergence

- 63 brands on acceptance list
  - Note that some brands are using the CAF, but do not (yet) appear on our Acceptance list (e.g. brands/retailers that require vFSLM on tier 1 suppliers),
- New collaboration agreement underway with Fair Wear Foundation (FWF)
  - FWF to work with brands to develop a tool/template for using SLCP verified assessments for remediation actions
  - FWF to develop HR Due Diligence framework based on aggregated SLCP data insights.
- SLCP is an impact partner with Global Fashion Agenda (GFA) – Janet (ED) spoke on a panel at the GFA conference in June and SLCP received coverage in their annual ‘Monitor’ report
- Financial Updates

#### Decisions

- N/A

### 4. Governance

#### Context / Discussion

##### *Council Committees:*

- From various conversations, including our recent culture exercise, we know that first-term members in particular are keen to get more engaged.
- The Governance Committee has suggested to increase engagement in our 2 existing Committees (Governance, Finance & Risk) , plus set up a new Strategy Committee. It would be great to have all the Committees formed and meeting once virtually before we get together in-person at CC28, where we can also devote some time for the Committees to meet.
- Survey on Refreshing Council Committees. 10 responses received so far.
- Once all responded, Governance Committee will meet and communicate the refreshed Committees to the wider Council.

#### Decisions

- Governance Committee to refresh Committees and report back to council based on Survey outcomes

### 5. CC28 In-person Meeting

#### Context/ Discussion

- CC28 in-person meeting: building blocks for agenda shared upfront

#### Decision

- CC28 Agenda to be sent to Council in coming weeks

### 6. SAC-SLCP Relationship and Separation

#### Context

- See Pre-reads on latest developments:
- To help rebooting, a proposed change of SLCP representation within a re-composed.
- General availability due to summer has resulted in no meeting occurring until late August
- To keep this moving, an initial proposed reset/refocus on the JWG (July 2022)

#### **Discussion**

- Three critical items (legal status of new entity, IP and timing of the separation) to hopefully be addressed in re-composed JWG
- Joint build-out is as important as possible in moving away from the previous stumbling blocks of it being a SLCP proposal without SAC ownership
- Chair-to-Chair periodic calls to develop their relationship and leverage this to support future negotiations
- Elements of the previous Shared Principles/Collaboration document can still be used in the JWG process

#### **Decisions**

N/A

### **7. Updates**

#### **Context / Discussion**

- Signatory webinar next week (July 28<sup>th</sup>), request more Council members to participate and summarizes the discussions
- Preliminary virtual General Assembly date: 14<sup>th</sup> December
  - Provisionally 2.5hrs,
  - After CC29 where Council will approve plans for 2023, which we can promptly communicate it to the signatories.
  - Could also have a view of process and timeline for development of next 5-year strategic plan to also share with signatories.