



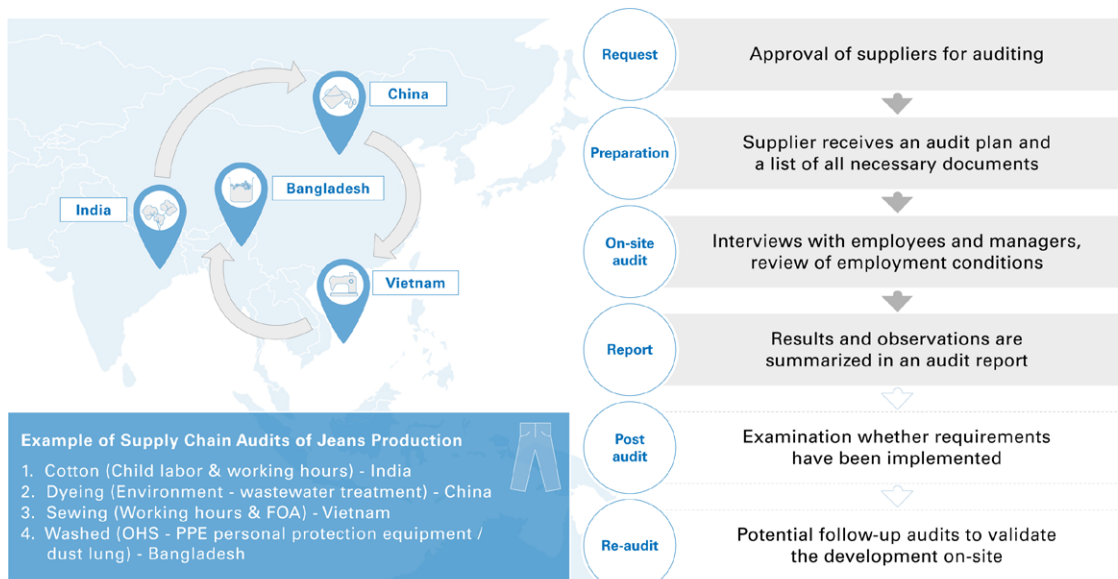
# Supply Chain Audits

Enabling responsibility and compliance in the textile industry

The textile industry stretches across the world. Garments that are sold in New York, Paris and other countries of the world are often cut and stitched in Asia and Middle East. The garments that people wear go through a supply chain that often goes unaudited and uncontrolled.

Global supply chains are often opaque, where both public and non-profit organisations and consumers lack essential information about the location of the garment factory and the ethical standards of such places. Global supply chain audits help corporations stay accountable and compliant with international standards.

## SUPPLY CHAIN AUDITS ACCORDING TO INTERNATIONAL STANDARDS



Despite starting their business around the 1950s, it wasn't until the late 1990s that apparel brands like Nike and Adidas began publishing names and addresses of factories that manufactured athletic uniforms for universities.

In 2005, both brands released all information for the rest of their products. Their decision made a significant impact not only for sportswear-related companies but to other apparel. Soon after, more brands joined and released their information on their respective websites.

# Supply Chain Audits according to the highest international standards

TÜV Rheinland is every brand's reliable companion for auditing, evaluating and verifying the behaviour of suppliers according to all relevant international standards such as:



## With TÜV Rheinland, auditing, evaluating and verifying suppliers can help brands:

- Take responsibility for social compliance, labour safety and environment issues within their supply chain.
- Adopt supply chain transparency from brand to retailer and supplier and increase brand value and competitive advantage.
- Identify labour and environmental rights issues through regular visits and assessments.
- Improve Health Safety Environment (HSE) and Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR).
- Pinpoint ways for companies to take responsibility for fair production and working conditions and prove their social commitment.
- Strengthen the trust of workers, customers, NGOs (non-government organisations) and stakeholders and open up new marketing possibilities.
- Gain a key competitive advantage in tender procedures by using social standards.
- Ensure brand's sustainable practices and long-term success in the global trade environment.

Over the past five years, our company has conducted more than 50,000 supplier audits with more than 250 [APSCA](#) (Association of Professional Social Compliance Auditors) registered auditors worldwide.

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