



Going deep:

The Case for Multi Tiered Transparency

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Agenda



- 1. Why is this important?
- 2. The Business Case
- 3. Challenges and Solutions
- 4. Introduction to Sedex

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Why is it important?

Compliance Regulation/legislation Consumer pressure CSR programs Investor pressure

Traceability Ability to find stories Power of the media New technology











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"At Diageo we talk about **70,000 suppliers** and third parties, spread across **over 100 countries** of the world. When multiplied by the number of sub-suppliers in the supply chains, you get in to **hundreds of thousands** of people impacted by our global supply chain, so its vital to prioritise the key areas."

David Lawrence, Global Compliance & Ethics Programme Director, Diageo



The business case



Key findings:

- 1. Globally, only a third of companies are actively seeking transparency below tier 1 in their supply chain, at scale. (*PwC and MIT study, 2013*)
- 2. The greatest and most critical risks are found deeper down in the supply chain. (Sedex briefing, 2013)



Critical risks



Figure 1: Average number of NCs per audit per tier from the sample of 10 companies (shows the average # of NCs per audit in each tier.)



Figure 2: Breakdown of the average level of NC criticality per tier (shows the average numbers of issues raised by issue criticality by tier)*



Data covers July 2011 to August 2013. All data correct as of 10th September 2013. The sample analysed 10 companies with a combined total of 3,922 supplier relationships and 6,775 audits

Key insights



- Multi-tier transparency is possible.
- Risk is higher beyond tier 1
- More visibility enables better risk management



Challenges

- Rapidly changing topic
- Varied understanding (suppliers and buyers)
- Supply chain complexity
- Many different standards
- Economic downturn







Solutions

Sedex supply

- Collaboration
- Cross sector learning
- Flexibility
- Engage suppliers
- Scalability
- Don't reinvent the wheel...





Addressing Global Supply Chain Risk

Sedex is an online tool for managing supply chain risk



- Extensive global expertise in supply chain risk and database management
- Existing end-to-end process to report and manage on issues in global supply chains
- Largest collaborative supply chain risk management tool

What is Sedex?

- A not-for-profit membership organisation dedicated to driving improvements in ethical and responsible business practices in global supply chains
- ✤ A secure web-based platform for sharing and viewing information on four pillars:
 - Labour standards
 Health and safety
 Environment
 Business ethics
- The largest collaborative platform for sharing ethical supply chain data
- Provides range of services that ensure your programmes are effective and efficient



Customer views information for multiple suppliers



Supplier enters information on Sedex and shares with multiple customers



Sedex Facts & Figures



Sedex members represent over 25 industry sectors					🛦 👿 = comparison to 2010/2	
	Clothing			14	Homeware	2.3%
		14.6%			Engineering	
					Toys, Games & Hobbies	
					Agriculture	
						1.6%
	Dairy					
					Other	
					Meat, Fish & Poultry	
	Publishing & Printing					



Sedex is the largest platform for ethical data sharing:

Over 550 A & AB Members

Over 30,000 B Members (suppliers)

Over 25 industry sectors





Data taken from Sedex Annual Review 2011-12

A & AB Members includes...





The Sedex Process

A collaborative Supply Chain Management system that offers the ability to:

- Filter your supply chain on Inherent Risk & Actual Risk
- Efficiently target high risk suppliers and effectively address any issues
- Manage audit issues and track supplier progress



Collaborative Tool Kit

Empowering response

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Added Benefits

Multi-lingual helpdesk and support materials

Participate in working groups to help shape future Sedex developments

Sedex Members Ethical Trade Audit (SMETA)

- Common best practice guidance on ethical trade audits
- Common audit report format
- ✓ Common corrective action plan format

Attend Member events – UK, China, USA, India, South Africa, Chile and growing

Regular member communications – quarterly newsletter, feature risk reports and analysis

Links with other organisations enabled - AIM Progress, UN Global Compact, BiTC, ETI, GSCP and many more

Support for Suppliers to improve through the Sedex Supplier workbook









Resources





Stakeholders



- Webinar and events partnership with UN Global Compact-UK
- Launch of Sedex Responsible Sourcing Insights: a series of films, publications, resources, regional briefings, webinars and in-person events by Sedex and partners
 - Series of six short films
 - Monthly insight briefings
- Sedex Supplier Workbook
- SMETA expansion
 - included in the ITC Standards Map database
 - SMETA submitted to GSCP Equivalence process











Working group participation:

- Non-Business Signatories of the UNGC international and UK Local Network.
- Member of the UNGC Supply Chain Sustainability Advisory Group and Human Rights, Traceability and Anti-Corruption Task Forces.
- Business Principles for Countering Bribery (BPCB) Steering Committee.
- Association of Retail Technology Standards (ARTS)
- MAC (Multi-stakeholder Advisory Committee) China
 - CSR 360 Global Partner Network member (BiTC)

Summary



Any questions?

For more information on Sedex go to www.sedexglobal.com

To learn more about Responsible Sourcing please also see our new 'Insights' page with films, webinars and reports <u>www.sedexglobal.com/films</u>

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