Initiatives in the garment and footwear sector since Rana Plaza

- The French and Italian National Contact Points to the OECD Guidelines published reports with recommendations to the sector on how to apply the OECD Guidelines for Multinational Enterprises. The French, Belgian, Italian, Dutch and Canadian National Contact Points have been active in promoting due diligence to tackle key issues in the textile and garment sectors since 2013.

- The ILO-IFC Better Work Program launched a program in Bangladesh in 2014 to promote comprehensive and harmonised assessments on labour standards.

- The International Labour Organisation (ILO) launched the Improving Working Conditions in the Ready-Made Garment Sector in Bangladesh (RMGP) programme.

- In 2014, Germany launched the Partnership for Sustainable Textiles, ‘Textil bundnis’ to address common challenges across the sector.

- In the Netherlands in 2016, a broad coalition of industry organisations, trade unions, civil-society organisations and the Dutch government finalised an agreement on international responsible business conduct in the garment and textile sector.