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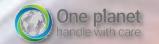
"Greening Supply and demand: Advancing Eco-Labels and Sustainable Public Procurement for climate and biodiversity protection (EcoAdvance)"

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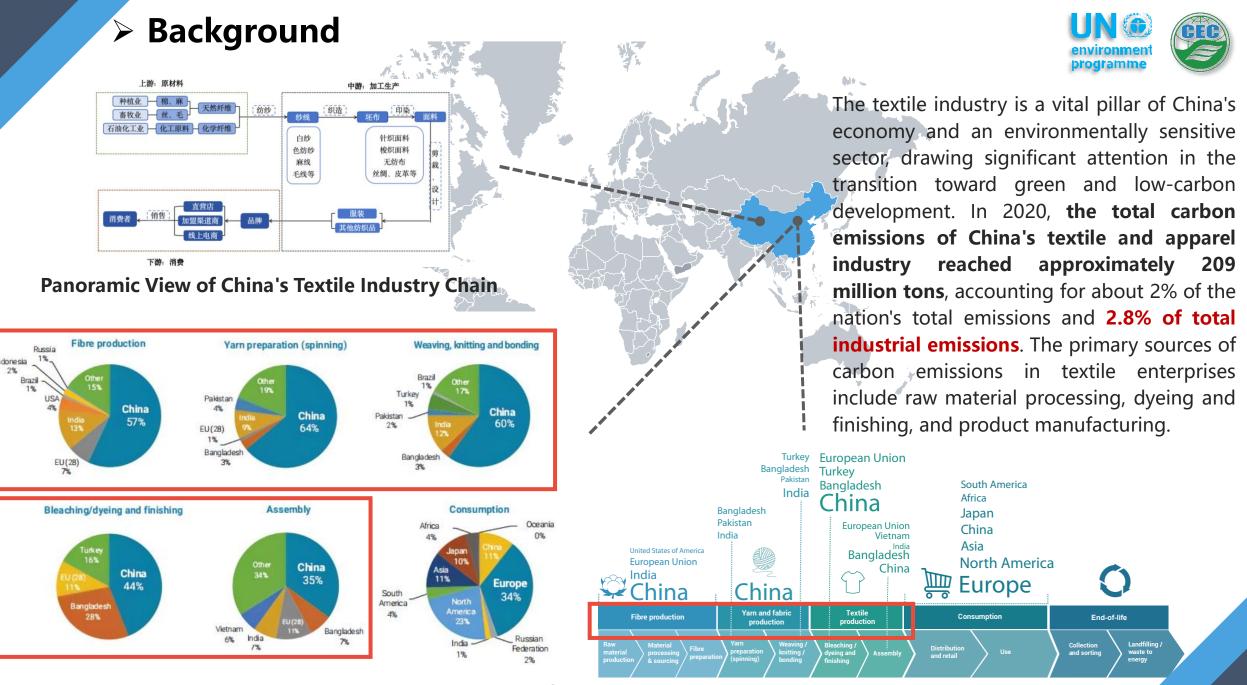
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Global Distribution of the Textile Value Chain

2%

Background





Global Sustainable Public Procurement Framework and Maturity Levels

21/44 Note: numbers indicated above the columns represent the total number of existing countries per region, as per the official classification used by UN SDG database unstats.un.org/sdgs ■ 4 - High level 3 - Medium-high level 2 - Medium-low level 1 - Low level N/A - Insufficient data or no policy/legal instrument explicitely supporting SPP 8/53 6/63 Cyprus Czech Republic Panama 3/72 Finland Paraguay Côte d'Ivoire 2/5 Uruguay Ireland Mauritius Austria New Zealand Honduras Canada Tunisia Indonesia Mexico Malta Northern America Africa and Western Asi Asia Pacific Latin America and the Europe

Based on the Life Cycle Assessment methodology (from 'cradle to initiative focuses grave'), minimizing impacts on human health, climate change, biodiversity pollution, and social issues by promoting sustainable standards across the value chain of the Chinese textile industry. It aims sustainable procurement foster practices and influence both suppliers and procurers to advance sustainable public purchasing of Chinese textiles.





CEC and UNEP Forge Partnership for Textile Industry Project Collaboration

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Outcome 1-Compile the Textile Industry Research Report

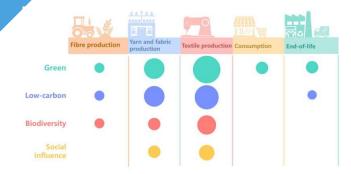
2026.4.30

Project Completion

Major project stage arrangement







Textile industry standard hotspot mapping

Literature and Standards Research

> The design and completion of a questionnaire targeted at textile enterprises and industry experts, followed by online and onsite research visits to over 20 textile companies, as well as conducting online surveys and interviews with more than 10 industry specialists.

> **Textile Enterprise and Experts Ouestionnaire**

> > Questionnaire on ecological textile product standard

A deep understanding of the textile industry 's demands and goals was achieved, identifying key control points in the product value chain, culminating in the completion and submission of the 'Textile Industry Research Report', totaling over 12,000 words.

Textile Industry Research Report

The consolidation and summary of analytical findings from over 40 policy documents and more than 50 green low-carbon product standards.

Project kick-off Research on testing communication meeting organisations 6 stages - 24 months 2024.4 Startup Phase industry-leading in the field o 2024.4-2024.9 Activity 1 - Preliminary Research 2024.10-2025.4 Activity 2 - Development of Technical If yes, which parts of the stand 5.Main products of the enterprise: DYarn products DEFabric products DEFinting and dyeing products DO ther Activity 3 - Application and Promotior [Please provide specific description of the control of th 2025.4-2025.10 **Specifications** 2025.10-2025.12 Activity 4 - Knowledge Sharing bamboo, silk, wool, etc.) □ Fiber manufacturing □ Spinning □ Weaving □ Printing and dyeing □ Textile produc

TEXTILE INDUSTRY RESEARCH REPORT

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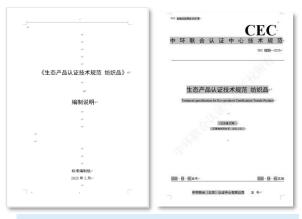
China Environmental United (Beijing) Certification Center Co., Ltd

Outcome 2-Developing Technical Specification for Eco-products Certification

Completed the preliminary draft of the Technical Specification for **Eco-Textile Products and had it** reviewed by experts from UNEP and Oeko.

Preliminary Draft of the Technical Specification





Draft Standard for Comments and Preparation Notes





Final Release Version of the **Technical Specification**

中环联合等四家机构共同发布生态纺织品标准,引领纺织业可持续发展

Expert Review Meeting

Organized and convened an expert review meeting



准在产业链上下游落地,形成可复制、可推广的经验模式,并在国际平台进行案例分享,通过本土实践与国际协作的双 赋能,将标准转化为全球纺织价值链绿色升级的通用工具,为行业可持续发展贡献力量。









Interim progress report & Financial report

Partners Name: China Environmental United Certification Center (CEC) Title of the approved PRC project: EcoAdvance Reporting period: from 10/04/2024 to 30/03/2026

Activity	Original Budget	Expenditures in (2024) (USD)	Expenditures	Total	Comments (if the expenditures were different from what was
	(USD)	past year (if SSFA goes over two	incurred in (2025)	Expenditures	originally planned, please provide a short explanation)
		calendar years)	(USD) this year	(USD)	
Activity					
1.1	3,670	2,077.6644	0	2,077.6644	
1.2	1,100	941.4076	0	941.4076	
Sub-total	4,770	3,019.072	0	3,019.072	
Activity					
2.1	16,003	0	0		
2.2	1,207	0	0		
Sub-total	17,210	0 .	0		
Activity			381-5	10 1 21	
3.1	8,000	0	0		
. 3.2	5,000	0	0		
Sub-total	13,000	0	0		
Activity	a contract			19 TO 12 WAR 12	3350
4.1	5,000	0	0		
Sub-total	5,000	0	0		
Total Cost					
Partner contribution					
Total Cost for UNEP					

Outcome 2-Developing Technical Specifications for Eco-products Certification





Final Release Version of the Technical Specification (Chinese and English)

中环联合等四家机构共同发布生态纺织品标准,引领纺织业可持续发展

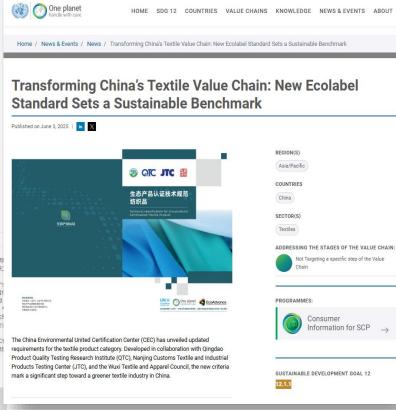
受联合国环境规划署 (LNEP) 委托,作为"纺织品价值链的可持续性,促进生态标志和可持续公共采购"项 张口,中环联合认证中心联合商选前产品质量检验研究院、商京海关纺织工业产品检测中心、无锁市纺织 网发布(生态产品认证技术规范 纺织品) 以订高物标"标准")。

作为联合国环境规划署 (UNEP) "供需接色化"推进生态标志和可持续公共采购以资料气候和生物多样性" 重要实践、该项目自启动以来,中环度合放其特产"则一个地球网络"可持续公共采购计划领导机构及消费者 问成员的双重角色。运用中国环境标志认证及政府综色采购实践经验。基于最合国环境规划署 (UNEP) 提出的 值链的引持续性和循环性、全球路线图》,采用全生命周期理念和方法、重点着型环境少场积产品为人体健康、 也物多样性、环境实验的影响,将初品品的原料源。《低量注》,低于相用及企业社会责任的人标准体系,实 成式的全程管控、从纺织品品价值铁现角,引导供应商优化生产工艺、推动采购商优先选择每色低碳产品。为企 效定可懂物的气态器体。资料中国可转线公共规模实验的系统化条件。

下一步,四家机构将联会开展标准的应用与推广活动,在纺织业管理区域内选取代表性企业自动试点认证工 推在产业链上下游落地。形成可复制、可推广的经验模式,并在国际平台进行案例分享,通过本土实践与国际 链滤、将标准整处分全线纺织价值链级色升级的语用工具。为行业可转线发展贡献力量。

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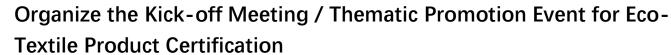
PROGRAMMES NETWORK

The standard adopts a lifecycle-based approach, encompassing the entire textile value chain—from cotton cultivation to finished garments. It establishes high-level requirements across critical sustainability areas, including raw material traceability, low-carbon production and pollution control, and corporate social responsibility and labor protection.



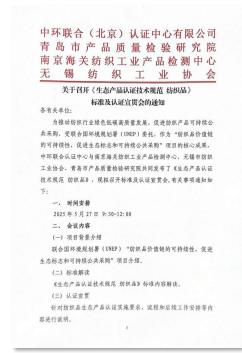
3.1 Cooperate with Textile Industry Associations to Organize Promotion Activities

April, 2025-June, 2025

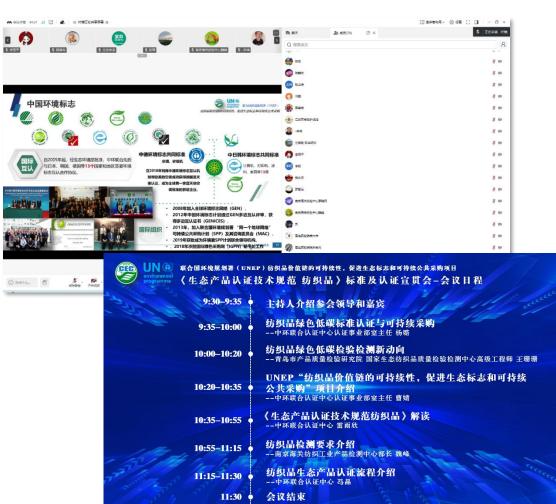


---27 May : "Technical Specification for Eco-Product Certification—Textiles" Standard and Certification

Promotion and Explanation Session









3.1 Cooperate with Textile Industry Associations to Organize Promotion Activities

---19 June 2025* Qingdao

Ecolabelling for Green Transition: A New Pathway for Sustainable Development in the Textile Sector

- > Over 70 representatives from textile enterprises, research institutes, industry associations, and certification bodies attended the event, jointly exploring pathways for the green and low-carbon transition of the textile industry in the context of global green trends.
- ➤ As a key milestone and deliverable of the Consumer Information Programme and the EcoAdvance project in collaboration with the Qingdao Product Quality Testing Research Institute (QTC), the Nanjing Customs Textile and Industrial Products Testing Center (JTC), and the Wuxi Textile and Apparel Council, officially launched the updated Technical Specification for Ecoproduct Certification Textile Product during the event.
- > In support of its implementation, several textile enterprises signed letters of intent to participate in testing and certification, signaling strong industry commitment.



Jorge Laguna-Celis, Head of the One Planet Network Secretariat at UNEP, delivered a keynote address via video



Sijia Liu shared international good practices in eco-labeling and sustainable public procurement.



Keynote address: New Pathways for Sustainable Development in the Textile Industry



Host a Signing Ceremony for Eco-Textile Product Testing and Certification



3.2 Organize training to use the technical specification for private and public procurers

---24 September * Qingdao

2025 Qingdao "Quality Month" Thematic Event — Quality: Empowering New Quality Productive Forces

Driven by the active coordination of the CEC and the strong momentum from the June promotion event, the Qingdao Municipal Administration for Market Regulation featured a dedicated "Eco-Textiles" session into its 2025 "Quality Month" thematic event in late September. This session focused on interpreting and promoting the Technical Specification for Eco-Textile Products developed under this project.

Representatives from enterprises, associations, research institutions, and procurement bodies attended the event, significantly raising the profile and industry influence of the technical specification. The session helped more companies understand and implement the eco-product certification standards while encouraging buyers to advocate for their application.







These activities were disseminated through the United Nations China (UN China) international platform, textile industry associations, local municipal bureaus, official local media, and participating enterprises simultaneously disseminated conference content, precisely reaching stakeholders across the industrial chain.

Multi-channel collaborative reporting achieved extensive reach of the conference materials, accumulating over 40,000 clicks. This effectively amplified the industry influence of both the project and the Technical Specification for Eco-Textile Products, promoted the scalable application of eco-labels within the textile value chain, and empowered sustainable public procurement.

Outcome 4-Pilot Certification Launch









2 On-site Inspection

评价项目	评价指标	判定依据/方法	验证情况
11414.6	的积产基生产加工业化的管理技能 GB/T24001、GB/T23031、U.S. GB/T6001 建立并运行环境管理体系、整理管理体系和职业健康发 全管理体系。		件夹2)和联业组联安全管理体认证证书(支件夹1)。
污染物得效要求	经财产品产产加工排产中/%物的环烷设计线条件用度补充用 据求。用户处计的标用的报告度及其是共和的中产的设计数据 其实。生产上生的污染和自避和。但还到这个标准力污染物理, 负量工业分分的相似现代分。但是可以可以完全的,但 每里工业分分的相似现代分。 在2000年度第二年之上长沙沙的社区分分分级的扩展。 该工业工业工业工业工业工业工业工业工业工业工业工业工业工业工业工业工业工业工业	证(返回时)。成其他地方开保主管部门出 具的合法证明。 2)符合保证标准或地方标准(最高级)的 大飞的杂物。水污染物排放粒测量的。	 企业提供了1年有效期内的收去及果气轮测程令(7 件夹5)。成水主要为生运用水、成气主要来自天然气候。 经查价盈地据。该企业自2004年以来企业盈地图
	場內排就反符合 GB12348 及环境影响评价验收就发的要求。	符合(G)123 株及环洋染收盐复要求要求的程 产样放盐测量器。	企业提供了1年有效规约的噪声检测报告、组里符合 求(文件表 6)。 符合报本
排放生产要求	产品生产过程中压知偿债而生产,其中染免。相母染企业济油生产 水平库分价达到到广任19-2008,和广198-2008中一温标报程系。是 安全业排汽生产水平在安分达到报准业股权水等忍及布的《台皮好像 制设业《规》)消油生产等价格标准》目报指律值。		現场聯查、认证产品用他料均为外购。企业保險裁例 辅制、檢驗、包裝等工作、不该及印染。 不常及
特化宏明制度	1) 生产企业处据定并实施包括开保原来的选择。评价标准就评价供应自的推销。评价标准就评价研究。 应自的推销。并依据文件型求对快应直进行选择。评定和日常管理。 3) 生产企业实在逻辑文件中明确可正规案材料(包括不碳子人燃料 他、化学种谱为。对环保石研系类。 3)均建之并实施运色快和被管理制度。并定算对其有效性进行评价。	2) 生产企业制定的采购管理文件及相关记录。 录: 3) 生产企业建立的现在共应租赁理制度文 物力研究证明。建制系统证证明	令主提供了《采购资本制度》(设料料采购技术复杂》) 样类多。采购资理制度中经济《连启研产业部等处。 转性未需求中编号了主要用针的环保指标要求。 企业通过了综色供应销售增体系认证,并提供了综色。 经可能的编码。 经分类素



4 Technical Assessment

To date, we have successfully issued eco-textile certificates to three pilot textile enterprises: HLA Group Corp., Ltd., Baoxiniao Holding Co., Ltd., and Shanghai Baoniao Garment Co., Ltd.

> Enterprise Feedback

All three pilot enterprises indicated that the indicator system covered by **this standard is systematic, comprehensive, and scientific**, providing strong guidance for their future green and low-carbon development. They also expressed their intention to promote and adopt this certification in future tender procurement processes.

Outcome 4-Pilot Certification Launch

> Pilot Implementation Outcomes

1. Corporate Carbon Reduction Commitments and Implementation Plans

Guided by the technical specifications, all three enterprises have made explicit carbon reduction commitments and formulated phased emission reduction plans:

> HLA Group Corp., Ltd.

It will advance emission reduction in three phases:

- •2025-2030: Focus on reducing Scope 1 and 2 carbon emissions, targeting a carbon intensity per unit product of ≤4.35 kg CO₂e/set.
- •2031-2035: Achieve peak absolute Scope 1 and 2 emissions, with carbon intensity per unit product ≤4.2 kg CO₂e/set.
- •2036-2050: Advance Scope 3 reduction; achieve full carbon neutrality

Baoxiniao Holding Co., Ltd.

Committed to reducing absolute greenhouse gas emissions in Scopes 1 & 2 by 63% by 2035 compared to 2024, supported by actions in operations, production efficiency, supply chain, and employee engagement.

> Shanghai Baoniao Garment Co., Ltd.

Maintain carbon neutrality target within 2025, driven by green office upgrades, standardized production maintenance, Al-enabled supply chain monitoring, and low-carbon awareness initiatives.



2. Positive Changes Driven by the Technical Specification

Under the guidance of the technical specification, the three enterprises have launched multi-dimensional green transformations with initial results:

- **a. Management:** Established carbon management mechanisms; started annual GHG and product carbon footprint accounting.
- **b. Operations:** Implemented office energy-saving measures, production equipment optimization, and Alsupported supply chain emission monitoring.
- **c. Awareness:** Conducted low-carbon training and themed activities to foster organization-wide emission reduction engagement.

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Future Outlook



1. Deepen Knowledge Sharing and Case Documentation

Building on the practical experience of pilot enterprises, complete the case study report titled "Towards a Sustainable Textile Value Chain: Case Study on the Practice and Impact of Eco-Textile Technical Specification Certification." The report will systematically analyze the actual impact of the technical specifications on improving enterprise processes and enhancing the sustainability of the textile value chain.

2. Strengthen International Promotion and Experience Export

Formulate the case study report, to share the knowledge in the relevant networks such as One Planet Network SPP program, CI of SCP program, GEN, IGPN or CCICED, establishing an **international demonstration model** for the green transition of China's textile industry.

3. Expand Certification Coverage and Ecosystem Synergy

Expand the scope of pilot certification by engaging more enterprises from various sub-sectors in textile-intensive regions. Collaborate with testing institutions and industry associations to build a synergistic ecosystem encompassing "testing – certification – procurement," encouraging public procurement bodies to prioritize eco-textile certification results and thereby facilitating the market transition of green products.

4. Advance Standard Iteration

Establish a dynamic standard update mechanism. Incorporate feedback from pilot enterprises, technological advancements in the industry, and changes in international to continuously optimize technical indicators and certification processes.

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