# YOUR KEY TO ACHIEVING COMPLIANCE+

GOTS certification is a powerful tool that helps your company comply with legal requirements and empowers you to exceed those, showcasing your commitment to people and the planet.
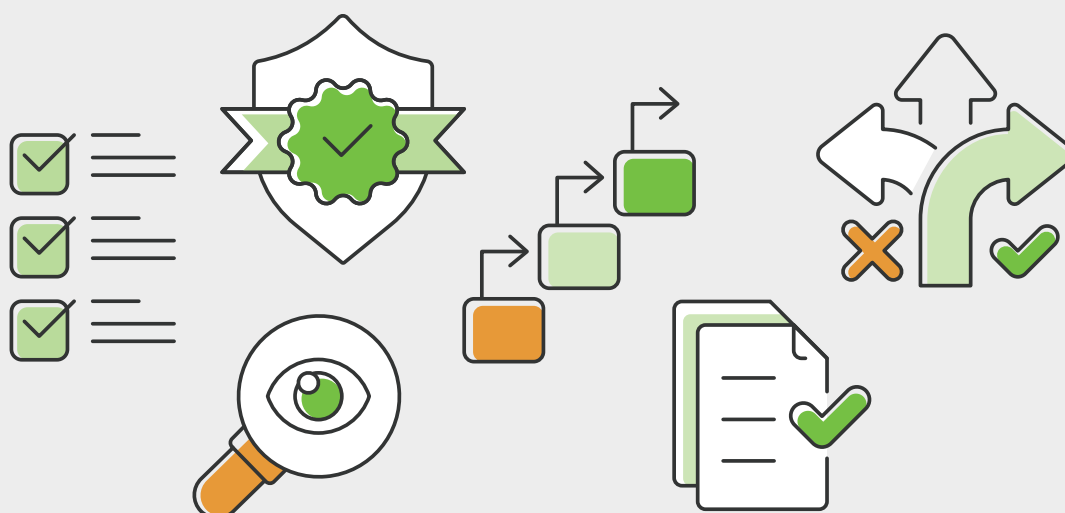
→ **Robust, verifiable criteria:** GOTS stipulates requirements throughout the entire value chain for ecological, human rights including social criteria and business conduct in textile and apparel manufacturing.

→ **Due Diligence Commitment:** GOTS provides guidance on setting-up and implementing due diligence processes.

→ **Legislation Ready:** GOTS' criteria and tools are regularly updated to support compliance with new legislative or regulatory requirements.

→ **Market access:** GOTS provides a consistent and global framework and helps to overcome barriers to international trade.

→ **Certified Sustainability:** with GOTS you can be certain that your sustainability claims are backed by third-party verification thus ensuring credibility and trust.

→ **Traceability from Farm to Final Product:** GOTS allows for transparency, traceability and impact monitoring throughout your value chain.

Join the 15,000 GOTS-certified companies leading sustainability in textiles!
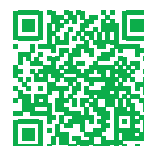
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EU LEGISLATION RELEVANT TO THE TEXTILE INDUSTRY

To bring the ideas and intentions of the European Green Deal to life, the EU's body of sustainability legislation is expanding rapidly. The textile value chain is given high priority in this regard, which is reflected in many legislative and non-legislative measures and initiatives such as the EU Strategy for Sustainable and Circular Textiles.

These legislations create legally binding obligations on companies of the textile industry to address how they are managing their social and environmental impact, pushing for more corporate responsibility and for more sustainability by defining requirements for the design and the processing methods as well as for topics such as traceability, transparency, and waste management.

GOTS supports companies in meeting these legislations and even goes beyond compliance, setting rigorous requirements for fibres, ecological, human rights including social criteria and business conduct across the entire textile value chain.

EU LEGISLATION RELEVANT TO THE TEXTILE INDUSTRY
NON-EXHAUSTIVE OVERVIEW

PRODUCT DESIGN, PRODUCTION METHODS, CIRCULARITY AND END OF PRODUCT LIFE

- Ecodesign for Sustainable Products Regulation
- Product Environmental Footprint Guide
- Revision of REACH regulation incl. PFAS restriction
- Microplastics Regulation
- Forced Labour Regulation and Guidance
- Revision of Waste Framework Directive for Textiles incl. mandatory Extended Producer Responsibility (EPR) schemes

TRACEABILITY, TRANSPARENCY, AND LABELLING

- Digital Product Passport
- Revision of Textile Regulation
- Directive on Green Claims
- Empowering consumers for the green transition
- Revision of EU Ecolabel

CORPORATE RESPONSIBILITY AND NON-FINANCIAL REPORTING

- Corporate Sustainability Reporting Directive
- Corporate Sustainability Due Diligence Directive
- Taxonomy