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SYSTEM INNOVATION FOR  
SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT

# Harmonisation of Standards for “more sustainable” Leather Chemistry

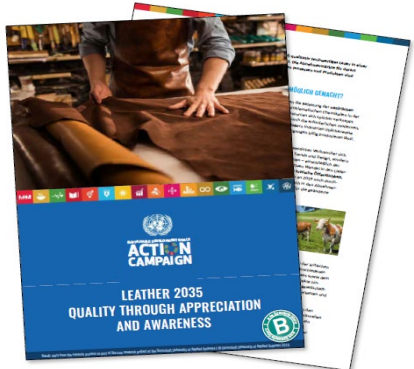
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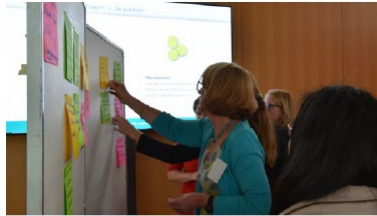
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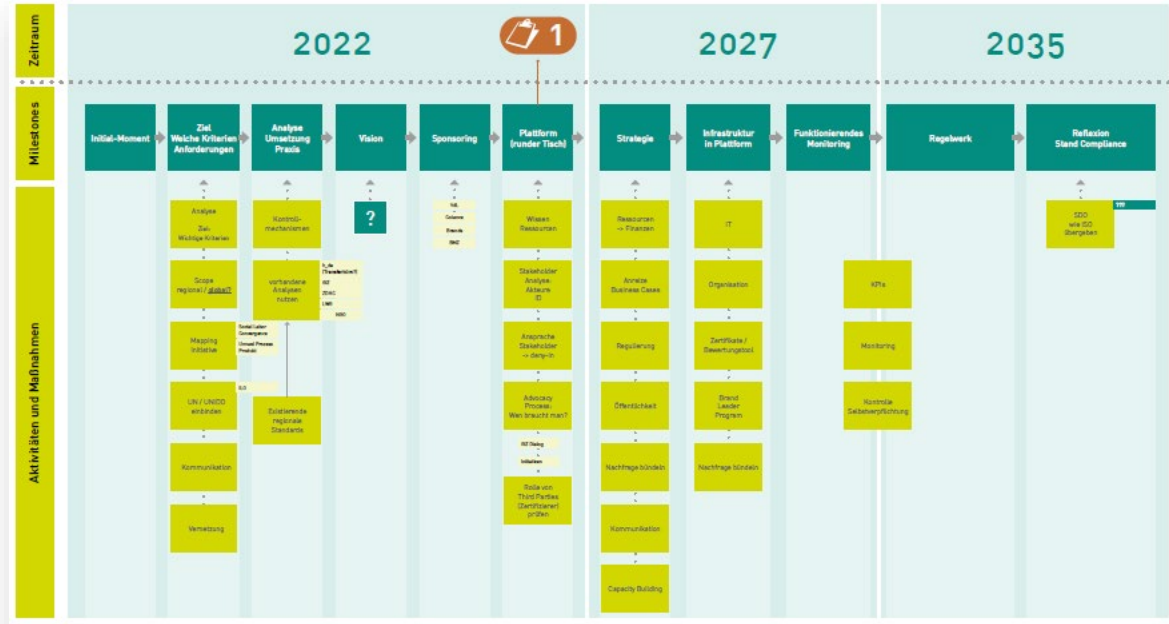


Scenario Process  
March – June 2019

„How can standards (working conditions / knowledge management / chemistry, etc.) be harmonised, controlled, sanctioned and implemented? “

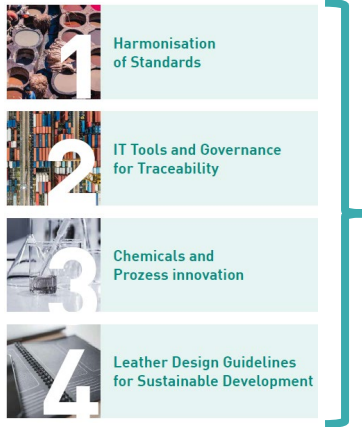


Strategy Workshops  
Sept and Nov 2019





# Leverages for more sustainable leather chemistry



Theory of Change  
Dec 19 – Mar 2020



## Status quo: Lack of harmonisation and impediments

- ✪✪✪ No common understanding of “Sustainable” Leather
  - ✪✪✪ Often key criteria (e.g. on social aspects) are missing...
    - *wider subproject scope (initially: sustainable chemistry)*
    - ...or are deviating (e.g. RSL)
- ✪✪✪ Additionally: Different scoring approaches, questionnaires
  - Complexity for suppliers, but also for customers (brands)



## Subproject Objective (so far)

“A common understanding of how sustainable leather is defined”

*What are specific objectives?*

*What happens next?*

*What is the working plan?*

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## Subproject #1

### Harmonisation of standards for a “more sustainable” leather chemistry

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## Subproject #2

### IT Tools and Governance for Traceability

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## Subproject #3

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## Subproject #4

### Leather-Design-Guidelines for Sustainable Development

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