



TOGETHER FOR  
SUSTAINABILITY

# Chemical supply chains for a better world



# Who we are

Together for Sustainability (TfS) is a pioneering, **member-led initiative**, working to accelerate the development of **sustainable** and **resilient chemical supply chains**.

Since its founding in **2011**, TfS has grown to over **50 members**, representing a global spend of over **\$550 billion**. By leveraging innovative tools, comprehensive training and development offerings, and collaborative mindsets, TfS supports chemical companies to create stronger supply chains.



## Driving change in chemical supply chains

TfS members drive change by implementing standardized, best-in-class supplier assessment and audit programs and by engaging and driving decarbonization efforts. They also commit to continuous improvement, uphold Responsible Care® Guiding Principles and the UN Global Compact, and take meaningful climate actions in line with the Paris Agreement.

This collaborative effort across the supply chain drives industry progress forward, fostering a more sustainable future.



# Why it's important



## Global urgency

Is recognized by businesses, and regulatory pressure is rising.



## Business value

Resilient supply chains drive long-term business performance – those companies in North America and Europe investing in resilience **saw an average 23% revenue boost.**



## Driving the net zero transition

95% of manufactured products **depend on chemicals**, yet research finds that only 30% of 250 publicly traded chemical companies **track Scope 3 emissions.**



# What we do

## Assessment and audit tools

- **Supplier assessments** (online) carried out by **EcoVadis**, with industry-tailored evaluations across Environment, Ethics, Labor & Human Rights and Sustainable Procurement.
- **Supplier audits** (onsite) carried out by independent **third-party** auditors based on the TfS audit framework.
- Over 1,000 assessments and audits undertaken annually. Outcomes include development of **Corrective Action Plans (CAPs)** to address improvement areas. More than 6,000 suppliers documented improvements after an assessment, audit or re-audit (2024).

## Training and development

- **Customized training** for member companies and suppliers alike.
- **Shared tools** and **case studies** for best practices.
- **Multilingual webinars** and **subject matter expert exchange opportunities**.

## Addressing Scope 3 emissions

- **Product Carbon Footprint Guideline (PCF Guideline):** A comprehensive methodology tailored to the industry for calculating the “cradle-to-gate” carbon footprint of chemical products and services.
- **PCF Exchange:** A **solution** that enables companies to safely and efficiently exchange PCF data at scale along the supply chain, supported by a **TfS Data Model**, aligned with the World Business Council for Sustainable Development (WBCSD)- PACT initiative and implemented through the **SiGREEN platform** by Siemens.
- Development and implementation of **practical pathways for supply chain decarbonization**.



# Join the movement

Whether you're a manufacturer or a supplier, with TfS you can build a more sustainable, compliant and high-performing supply chain – and shape the future of the industry.

## For members this means:

- Access and contribute to the development of **reliable sustainability data and insights**
- Access to **shared tools and training opportunities** such as assessment and audits, improvement framework guidance and PCF solutions, including best practice for adoption and execution
- Collaboration with industry leaders to **shape the future of responsible and sustainable chemical supply chains**

## For suppliers this means:

- **Avoiding duplication** of customer requests by using shared assessments and audits
- Enhanced **customer trust and compliance**
- **Education and support:** 88% of suppliers improved after audits\* and 65% improved after reassessments\*, supported by targeted training, development, and ongoing support.\* 2024



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