

Our year at a glance: 2003/2004

	Identifying and promoting good practice	Sharing learning	Measuring our impact	Consolidating our membership	Building strategic alliances
Autumn 2003	<p><i>ETI Child Labour Group</i> visits Tamil Nadu, India, to discuss how to address child labour. Group members meet child labourers for the first time</p> <p><i>ETI Smallholders Group</i> visits Kenya to consult groups involved in the tea and fresh produce industries</p>	<p>First public edition of the <i>ETI Workbook</i> issued in print and CD-ROM</p> <p>ETI biennial conference 2003 report published: <i>Key challenges in ethical trade</i></p>	<p>Institute of Development Studies, University of Sussex (IDS) contracted to assess the impact of Base Code implementation in our members' supply chains</p>	<p>BBC Worldwide, New Look, Peter Black Footwear and Accessories and Ringtons Ltd become members</p> <p>ETI Corporate Annual Reports Forum resolve to improve the annual reporting framework</p> <p>Independent gap analysis comparing ETI Base Code with 31 members' codes is completed</p>	<p><i>Gangmasters project:</i> Temporary Labour Working Group (TLWG):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • drafts code of practice for labour providers and begins field trials of the code • drafts management tools to help gangmasters implement the code • begins lobbying government for a licensing and registration scheme <p><i>Multi Stakeholder Initiatives (MSI) project:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Terms of reference agreed • Common code drafted and initial study on Turkish garment sector completed
Winter 2004	<p><i>China project:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Review of Chinese labour law completed • Chinese version of ETI leaflet produced 	<p>Members' roundtable explores how the Base Code can be applied to <i>prison labour</i></p> <p>New ETI website launched; our newsletter revamped</p>	<p>IDS complete Phase One of the impact assessment. Their report captures members' different approaches to implementing the Base Code and their perspectives on successes, challenges and impact so far</p>	<p>Corporate members submit annual reports</p> <p>Detailed analysis and aggregation of results begins</p>	<p><i>Gangmasters project:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Second reading of the Gangmasters Bill • Field trials of code implementation completed • Association of Labour Providers formed
Spring 2004	<p><i>Sri Lanka project:</i> Thousands of leaflets on labour rights distributed to garment workers</p> <p><i>China project:</i> Awareness-raising conference in Guangzhou attracts over 170 participants</p> <p><i>Homeworkers project:</i> Awareness-raising seminar held in Delhi</p>	<p>ETI Board minutes available to the public for the first time</p> <p><i>Collective risk assessment methodology</i> launched at an ETI roundtable</p> <p>We host a multi-stakeholder meeting on <i>The post-Multifibre Agreement world</i></p>	<p>Phase Two of the Impact assessment begins with a case study of the fruit sector in South Africa</p>	<p>Feedback is given to companies on annual reports, showing them how their performance compares with others and indicating what needs improvement</p> <p>Gap Inc. and William Lamb Footwear join</p>	<p><i>MSI project:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Design agreed by participating initiatives • US State Department and EU agree to provide funding • International project manager recruited
Summer/Autumn 2004	<p><i>Sri Lanka project:</i> 4,000 Sri Lankan garment workers trained on their rights and the auditing process</p> <p><i>Smallholders project:</i> Guidelines drafted for implementing the Base Code with smallholders; study conducted of the needs and priorities of over 500 smallholders in the Kenyan tea and fresh produce sectors</p>	<p>ETI roundtable on <i>Purchasing practices: marrying the commercial with the ethical</i> attended by over 70 members and non-members</p> <p>The Co-operative College and Just Solutions are selected to design and deliver training for ETI members' suppliers and other stakeholders</p> <p>Fringe meeting on gangmasters is held at the TUC Congress</p>	<p>Case studies in Vietnam and India begin. In each country, researchers focus on six garment and footwear factories and explore the impact of Base Code implementation at each site</p>	<p>ETI Strategy Consultation Seminar held for all members to discuss our priorities for 2005-8</p> <p>ETI Corporate Annual Reports Forum produce a detailed proposal for improving the corporate annual reporting process</p>	<p><i>Gangmasters project:</i> Gangmaster (Licensing) Bill made law. TLWG:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • joins the government advisory committee to advise on implementation • finalises the code of practice and management toolkit for gangmasters • agrees workplan to communicate the code of practice to the industry