BRANDS AND How and when to engage with brands? LABOUR RIGHTS

Facilitator's Note: This agenda can be adapted in order to meet the objectives and schedule of your workshop and to include information that is relevant to the participants, taking into consideration the space available, sponsors of the workshop, etc.

Agenda: How and When to Engage with the Brands?

DAY ONE, SESSION ONE: Getting Started (2.5 hour session)

OBJECTIVES

- Introduce the participants and the workshop
- Share and reflect on our experience with brand engagement

SESSION AT A GLANCE		
Time	Activities	
15 minutes	1. Welcome, introduction, expectations	
25 minutes	2. Introduction of participants: Buses	
10 minutes	3. Guidelines for participation	
25 minutes	4. Line-Ups: Our experience with brand engagement	
15 minutes	BREAK	
40 minutes	5. Historical timeline of brand engagement (in the country or region)	
20 minutes	6. Reflection on the timeline, questions for the future	

DAY ONE, SESSION TWO: Mapping the brands and considering how to engage

OBJECTIVES - MAPPING

- Map and analyze the major apparel brands producing in this country or region in order to know how to approach them when a labour rights violation occurs in one of their supplier factories.
- Understand why some brands respond better than others when they are contacted by an organization about a labour rights violation.

OBJECTIVES - ENGAGEMENT

- Define what we mean by "brand engagement".
- Identify the opportunities and limitations of brand engagement.



- Review a checklist of strategic considerations that should be considered when engaging with brands.
- Learn how to apply these strategic considerations in practice based on specific scenarios.

SESSION AT A GLANCE		
Time	Activity	
95 minutes	1. Brand mapping: Understanding the different brands in order to determine with whom to engage	
15 minutes	BREAK	
15 minutes	2. What do we mean by "brand engagement"?	
40 minutes	3. Strategic considerations used in making decisions about brand engagement	
40 minutes	4. Practice applying the strategic considerations in specific cases	

DAY TWO, SESSION ONE: Preparing for and entering into dialogue with a brand (3 hour session)

OBJECTIVES

- Identify and practice the various steps involved in brand engagement, including tips for documenting a case and how to write a letter to a brand.
- Roleplay a meeting with a brand representative.

SESSION AT A GLANCE		
Time	Activity	
10 minutes	1. Introduction to day two	
10 minutes	2. Survey of experiences in the group	
35 minutes	3. How to document a case	
15 minutes	BREAK	
40 minutes	4. How to write a letter to a brand	
70 minutes	5. Role play a meeting with a brand representative	

DAY TWO, SESSION TWO: What to do after the first engagement? and review of what we learned (3 hour session)

OBJECTIVES

- Identify and practice how to respond to a range of brand responses following the initial contact.
- Review some successful examples of brand engagement, based on the participants' experiences.
- Talk about how to share what we have learned.
- Review all content.
- Evaluation and closing

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SESSION AT A GLANCE		
Time	Activity	
75 minutes	1. Developing strategies to address the brand responses and initial encounters with the	
	brands	
15 minutes	BREAK	
30 minutes	2. Presentation of successful examples of brand engagement	
30 minutes	3. Sharing what we have learned	
15 minutes	4. Review of the workshop: What did we like?	
15 minutes	5. Evaluation and closing	