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Partnership for
Sustainable Textiles

"The Partnership for Sustainable Textiles: Addressing the challenges of the global value chain in the garment sector."

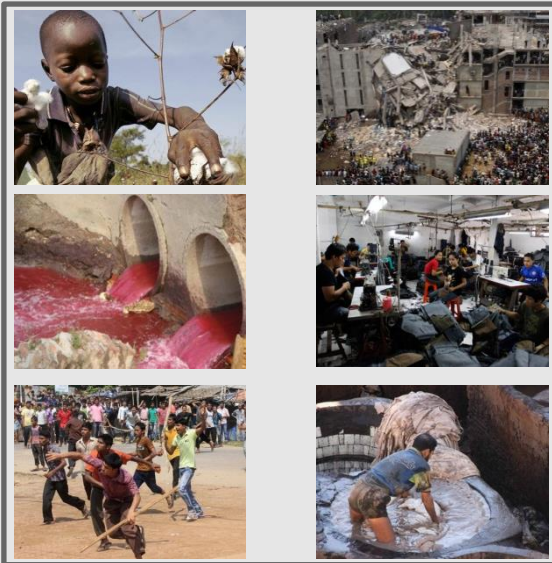
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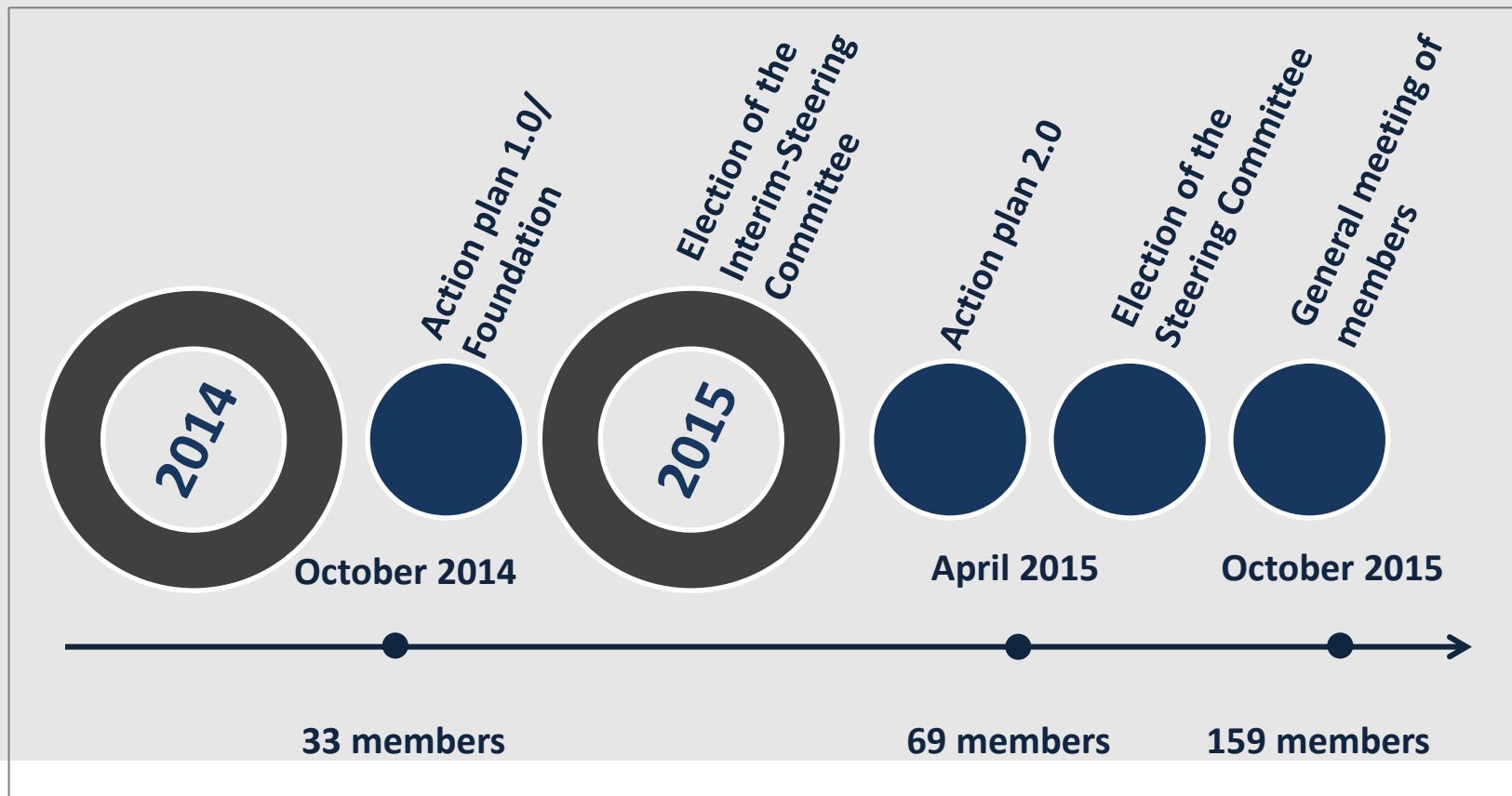
Improvements along the supply chain in the textile sector

- Compliance with ILO core labour standards
- Occupational accident insurance
- Building safety & Fire protection
- Wastewater treatment
- Appropriate handling of chemicals



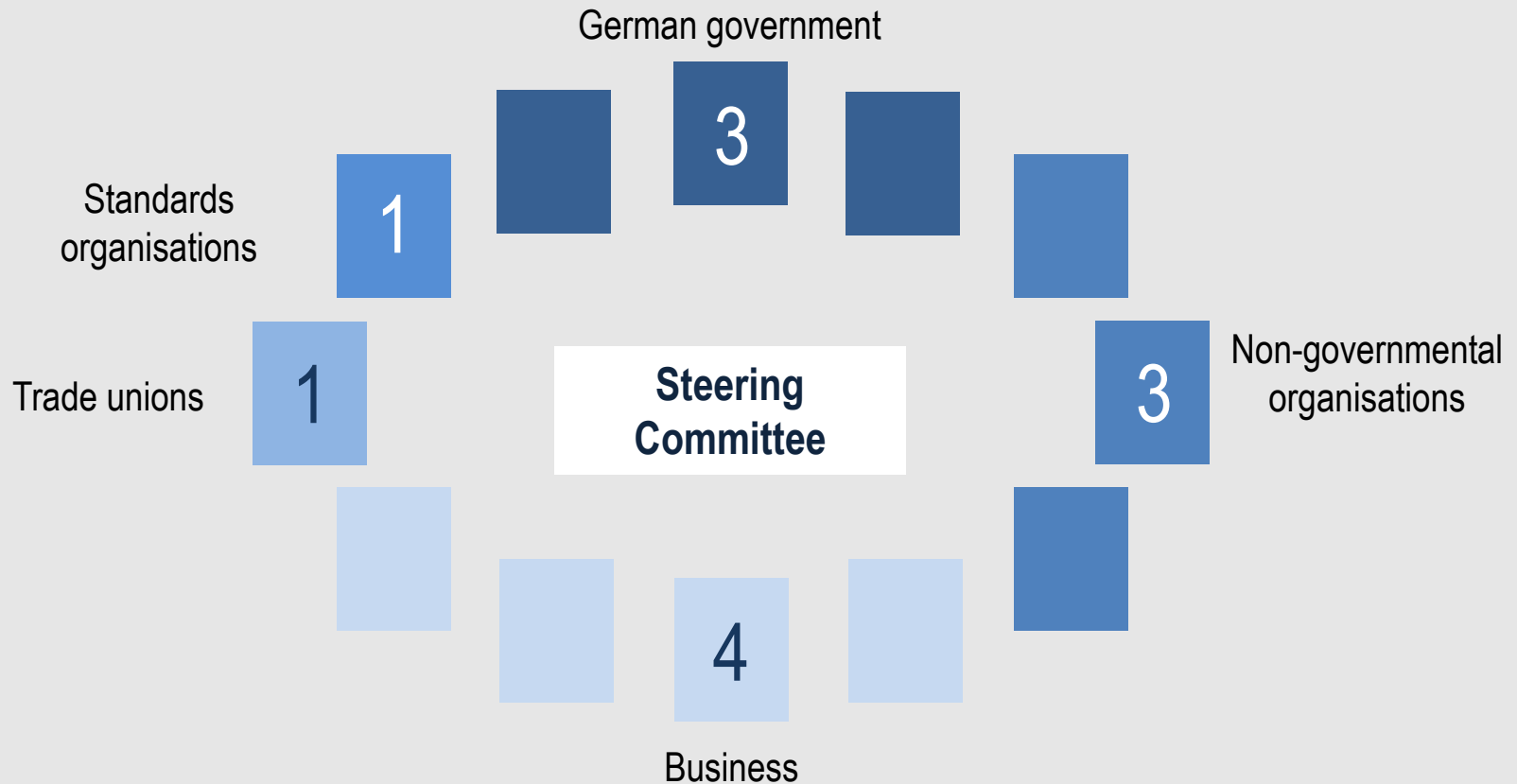


What have we achieved so far?





Building on the multi-stakeholder approach





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Six working groups driving the Partnership



WG Chemicals

Kick-off: 25 March 2015



WG Social standards and living wages

Kick-off: 4 March 2015



WG Review process

Kick-off: 27 Oct 2015



WG Implementation and Internationalisation

Kick-off: 23 Feb 2016



WG Natural fibres

Kick-off: 27 Jan 2016

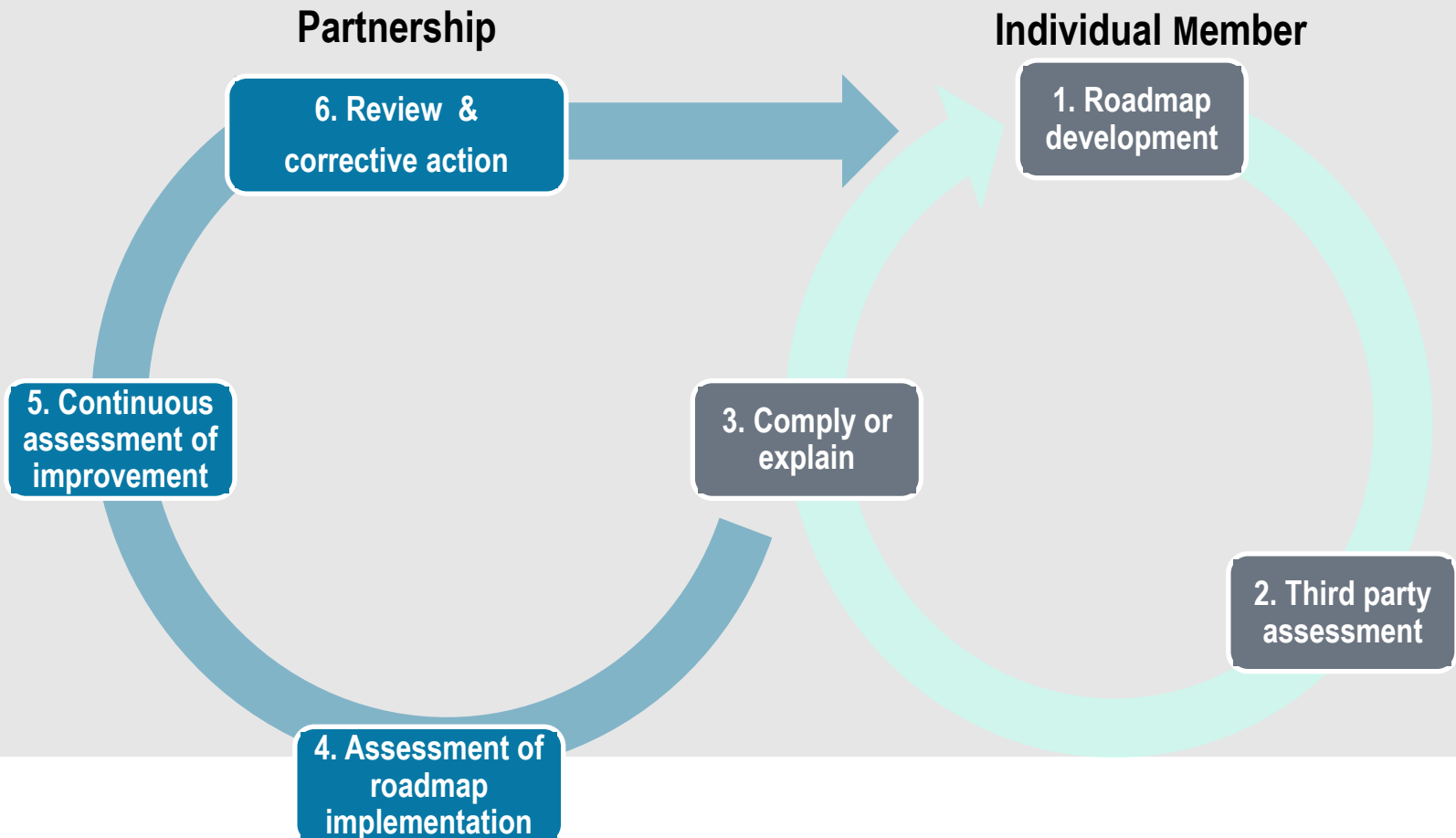


WG Communication

Kick-off: 18 Dec 2015



Continuous process of reporting and improvement starting 2017





The Partnership uses established standards





A Strong Political Commitment

- National Action Plan on Business and Human Rights
- EU Garment Flagship Initiative
- German G7 Presidency 2015
- OECD Roundtable on Due Diligence in the Garment and Footwear Supply Chain
- Upcoming: G20 Presidency 2017





The Textiles Partnership creates added value for its members:

1. **Use of established standards** and recognition of companies' internal efforts, as well as seeking **cooperation** with existing national and international initiatives.
2. **Platform** for sharing experience and lessons learned, as well as for developing innovative solutions
3. **Joint efforts** to build capacity for sustainable production on the ground
4. **Improved coordination with political framework** in producing countries, the EU and the global level (e.g. UN, OECD, G7, G20)
5. **Transparent communication** with consumers



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