Submitting Country, Organization, Company
AQC

If Organization or Company, please indicate the approximate number of employees
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Title of the action
Ensure a leather bracelet with the highest level of safety

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Relevant Website

Partners
5 Members: Brasport, Camille Fournet, Hirsch, Interstrap, Multicuir

Type of initiative
Foundation / association initiative

Description of action
The leathers used in the manufacture of AQC bracelets are subject to the strictest control plan to monitor the absence of chemical substances that could be a risk to consumers’ health and to the environment.

Type of action
Transparency

Please select the specific area/s of the action
- Norms and standards
- Research and Development of Innovative Solutions
- Awareness and Education
- Collaborative initiatives
- Business management systems or instruments
Scope of the action, including a description of the value chain processes that are covered

Objective
Provide a center of competencies to facilitate chemical compliance of leather bracelets.

Commitments
AQC publishes its Restricted Substances Lists on AQC’s website for shared value.

Value chain scope
From tanners to post consumption.

Timeframe and/or milestones for the action
• The AQC was founded in 2014 by five leather bracelets manufacturers, representing more than 70% of the world’s production of luxury leather bracelets.
• Since its foundation, the AQC acts in favour of sustainable development by engaging the entire supply chain of leather bracelets.

Reference instruments and sources used
• FH Suisse
• CTC
• CNC
• COTANCE
• SDGs
• ECHA
• European Committee for standardisation (CEN)

Expected benefits and impact for the stakeholders involved

Enhanced visibility of compliance with sustainability requirements by industry actors/partners along the entire value chain

Enhanced traceability of the social/environmental/ethical attributes of product(s)/materials along the value chain; for example, for origin, quality, sustainability performance, and compliance with health and safety requirements for consumers and workers

Enhanced environmental and socially responsible consumption and production, and circularity of the value chain, that may be relevant to and inspire other countries and industry actors/partners

Management of reputational risk for manufacturers, brands and retailers who are selling the products concerned

Improved working conditions for workers along the value chain and, particularly, those who work for “suppliers to suppliers” in parts of the value chain that today are often “hidden”

Stakeholders involved
Business and industry associations
How has this UNECE-UN/CEFACT Call to Action contributed to strategic engagement and/or public awareness in support of your commitment?

Bringing together leather stakeholders to collaborate towards the same mission than the AQC: a responsible global supply chain!

Link to relevant goal(s) and specific target(s) of the United Nations