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### Conference Programme (draft, date: 25.09.2017)

<b>09:00 - 9:30</b>	<b>Registration and Networking</b>
9:30 - 9:45	<b>Welcome Address</b> Herbert Ladwig Managing Director, GOTS
<b>9:45 - 11:00</b>	<b>Session 1</b>
	<b>History and Overview of Social Compliances</b> Presentations/ Panel Discussion <b>Moderator:</b> Christopher Stopes, GOTS Representative in UK Speakers: <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Social Criteria in Organic, History of the Organic Movement's commitment and action on social issues: <b>Joelle Katto-Andrighetto</b>, IFOAM- Organics International, Germany</li><li>2. Overview of Social Criteria in Sustainability Standards: <b>Dr. Elizabeth Bennett</b>, Lewis &amp; Clark College, USA</li></ol>
11:00 - 11:30	Networking Break - Tea and Coffee
<b>11:30 - 13:00</b>	<b>Session 2</b>
	<b>Challenges in Social Compliance</b> Presentations <b>Moderator:</b> tbc
	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Living Wages: <b>Dr. Sandhya Barge</b>, Global Living Wage Coalition, India</li><li>2. Land Grabbing: <b>Simon Ferrigno</b>, U.K.</li><li>3. Dealing with Non-Compliances in Social Aspects: <b>Syam Sundar</b>, ICEA, India</li></ol>
13:00 - 14:00	Networking Buffet Lunch

<b>14:00 - 15:00</b>	<b>Session 3</b>
	<p><b>Beyond Certification</b> Presentations &amp; Panel Discussion</p> <p><b>Moderator:</b> Rahul Bhajekar, Director Standards Development &amp; Quality Assurance</p> <hr/> <p><b>Presentations:</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Beyond Certification- Is Certification Outdated? By Critic: <b>Tim Zahn</b>, German Alliance for Sustainable Textiles, Germany</li> <li>2. Beyond Certification- Is Certification Outdated? By Supporter: <b>Avedis Seferian</b>, WRAP, USA</li> </ol> <p><b>Panel:</b> Initiatives Beyond Certification for Social Compliances in Textile Supply Chain</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. <b>Saurabh Gupta</b>, AEON Commercials Pvt Ltd., India</li> <li>2. <b>Devhuti Bakshi</b>, Trident India</li> </ol>
15:00 - 15:30	Networking Break - Tea and Coffee
<b>15:30 - 16:30</b>	<b>Session 4</b>
	<p><b>Besides Certification</b> Presentations</p> <p><b>Moderator:</b> Herbert Ladwig, Managing Director, GOTS, Germany</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. SAI Social Fingerprint System: <b>Badrinath Gulur</b>, SAI, USA</li> <li>2. Social Compliance Management System- Examples: Arvind Ltd*</li> </ol>
16:30- 16:45	<b>Summing Up</b> (Feed into the IFOAM-OI's 19 <sup>th</sup> Organic World Congress) Herbert Ladwig
<p><b>Closing &amp; Vote of Thanks</b></p> <p>Sumit Gupta, Conference Coordinator, GOTS Representative in India and Bangladesh</p>	
17:00 - 17:45	<b>Networking Reception with Beverages</b>

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