



Auswärtiges Amt

National and EU Supply Chain Legislation: the case of Germany

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Timeline

2011 UN Guiding Principles on BHR (UNGPs)

2016 National Action Plan (NAP)

2023 Supply Chain Due Diligence Act

2024 Corporate Sustainability Due Diligence Directive (CSDDD)



UN Guiding Principles on BHR (UNGPs)

passed consensually at HRC in 2011

Three pillars:

- 1. State Duty to protect**
- 2. Corporate responsibility to respect**
- 3. Access to remedy**



National Action Plan

passed in 2016

Expectations

All voluntary - no binding rules

+ Monitoring



Supply Chain Due Diligence Act

passed in 2021

in force in 2023/2024

> 1.000 employees in Germany

Governing body: BAFA



Corporate Sustainability Due Diligence Directive (CSDDD)

passed in May 2024

In force July 2024

Deadline for implementation July 2026

> 1.000 employees in EU

> 450 mio. turnover in EU

→ ca. 5.400 companies



Additional EU regulations:

**Corporate Sustainability Reporting Directive
(CSRD) 2022/2024**

→ ca. 50.000 companies

**Forced Labor Products Regulation
2024/?**

→ all products



Supply Chain Due Diligence Act

experiences/challenges:

non-compliance?

over-compliance!

No risk-based approach

Grafenhausen



Questions?