



LEADERSHIP FOR CHANGE

ATEA SUSTAINABILITY FOCUS

Manifesto

We, the buyers, are committed to achieving the SDGs, the 1,5-degree climate target and a circular economy. IT is critical to our value chains and we therefore invite the global IT manufacturing industry to join us.

By taking responsibility together we want to push the sustainability bar quicker and higher.

By agreeing as buyers on sustainability principles for procurement, we create a market opportunity for the IT industry to accelerate its sustainability transformation.

This is why we will take action to:

- Increase the weight of sustainability in decision making
- Being transparent about our sustainability agenda and about best practices to include sustainability in procurement
- Align our sustainability procurement practices around the following principles:
 - Focus our requirements on sustainability areas that are material to the industry
 - Use existing industry standards such as the RBA code of conduct and associated supply chain sustainability practices as a baseline and starting point for more ambitious criteria
 - Set criteria that can be verified and
 - Follow up on criteria during the contract period
- Weigh into our decisions the following aspects of sustainability:
 - Respecting human rights in line with the UN Guiding Principles
 - Designing for minimal use of materials, for minimal use of virgin materials and for a high amount of recycled and renewable materials and components.
 - Prolonging the operating lifetime of materials and products
 - Actively contributing to achieving the 1,5 degree target
- Actively seek dialogue and partnerships with the industry that can serve as catalyst for more sustainable solutions and to ensure materiality and impact.
- Continuously raise our ambitions based on effective procurement practices.