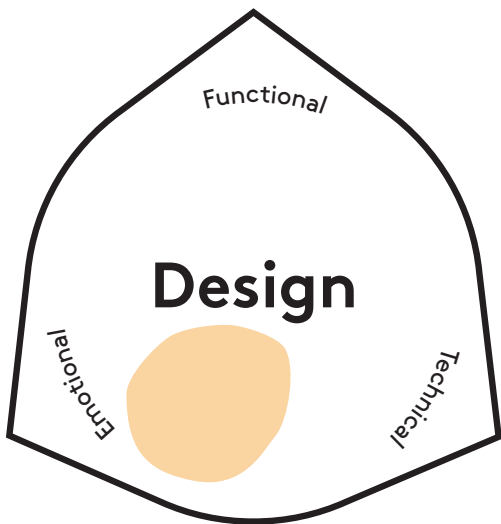


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WHAT?

Initiatives towards responsible labour conditions in a product's life cycle. This is often incorporated in a company's corporate social responsibility (CSR) strategy.

WHY?

Focus serves to ensure that workers involved in a product's life cycle have dignified living conditions taking into ethical concerns of the industry.

CHALLENGES

- Sub-suppliers do not always share a company's values; consequently in some places it is necessary to monitor sub-suppliers, which is time consuming and expensive.

EXAMPLES

- The **Code of Conduct** is based on International Labour Organization (ILO) standards and seeks to protect the workers in manufacturing.
- The organisation, **Clean Clothes Campaign**, focuses on improving working conditions in the global garment industry.
- The company, **Carcel** provides jobs and a fair living wage to women in prison in some of the World's poorest countries
- The company, **Fairphone** focuses on using materials from conflict-free areas and enabling workers to organise in labour organisations.

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FURTHER READING

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