

COATINGS CASE STUDY:

Progress and Process to Date

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Coating case



Steelcase

Coatings case

End Product of Steelcase

Wooden table top

- Proposed by
 - Covestro (polyurethane coatings)
- Purpose:
 - Waterborne- vs solventborne
 - Focus on social benefits (health and others – less PPE) for the worker using solvent free coating
 - Steelcase: also well-being of end-user (if time)
 - Include rest of the supply chain as well
- Participants
 - Covestro and Steelcase



Process overview

Initiated by Covestro during call for case studies

- Proposed a study on coatings
- Included a furniture manufacturer as the end user, as well as a middle supply chain partner

Several meetings to finalize the goal and scope Steelcase will send the questionnaire using SupplyShift to Covestro



Goal and scope

- Hands-on understanding of methodology in Handbook for new members
- Potentially use in internal and external communications
- Understand social impacts of new coating technologies to guide product development for development of more sustainable solutions
- Testing the supply shift tool



Goal and scope



Other raw material supplier (if needed) Coating
Manufactur
er
Waterborne
coating

(wood)

(Furniture wood application)

Steelcase

depending on time line and data availability

End user

End of life

depending on time line and data availability

Geographic Scope (Example)

	Supply Chain	Manufacturing	Assembly/ Application	Use Phase	End of use
Product Component	Poly- urethane	waterborne coating (wood)	Wooden particle board Desk top	Work surface for office environments	Used work surface
Sector	Chemical	Chemical			
Country	EMEA	EMEA	EMEA	EMEA	EMEA
Member	Covestro	External Partner	Steelcase	Steelcase/ customers	Steelcase/ Steelcase Eco'Services



Stakeholder Groups

Group	Stakeholders	Most material topics (gathering data for all topics is planned)
Workers	Covestro, external customer, and Steelcase workers	Health & SafetySocial BenefitsJob Satisfaction and engagement
Consumers	Users of furniture with coating	 Experienced well-being of user
Local Communities		Health & SafetyEmployment



Methodologies adopted

- Scales-based approach
 - Focus on Qualitative for this study using SupplyShift tool
 - All social topics are considered

Performance Reference Points

- +2 ideal performance
- +1 intermediate positive performance
- O aligned with international standards
- -1 intermediate negative performance
- -2 non- acceptable performance



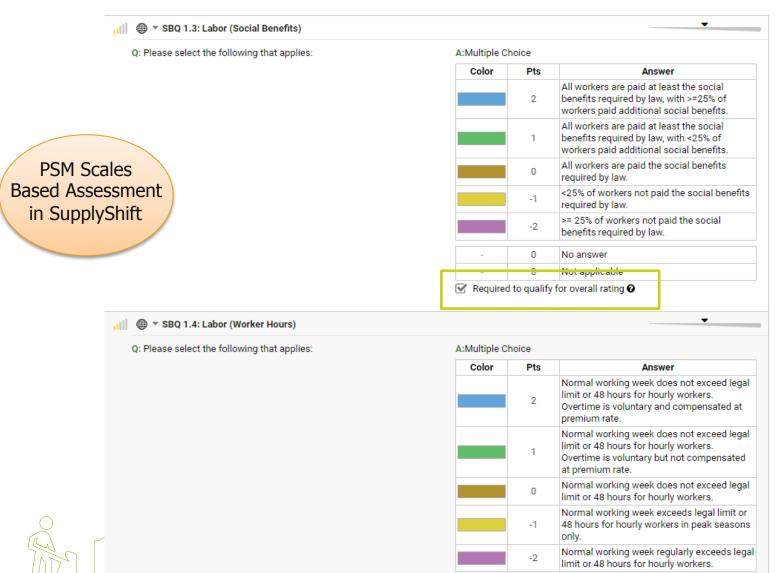
Data Collection Process

- Demoing SupplyShift in this case study
- Online platform to support data collection in the supply chain through multiple tiers



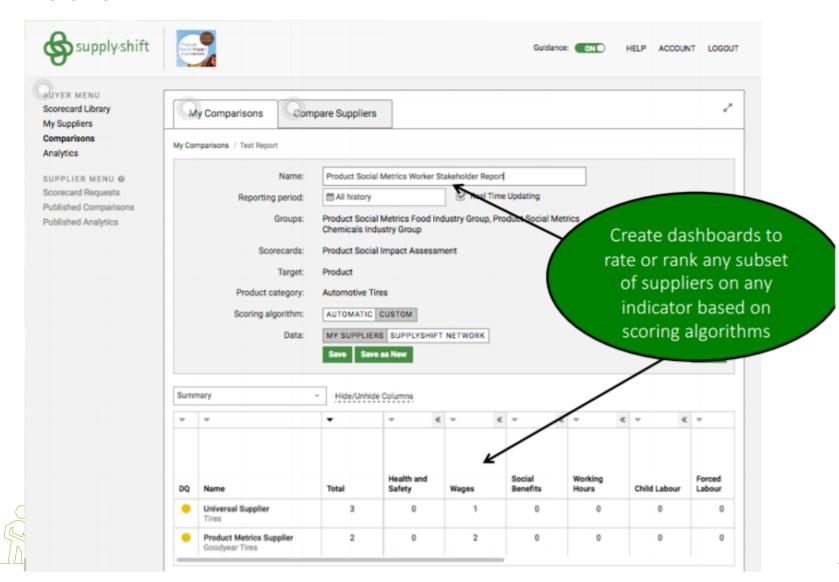


SupplyShift Scoring Configuration

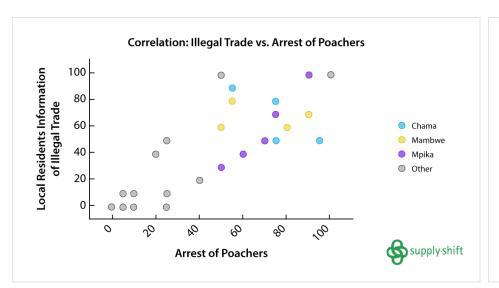


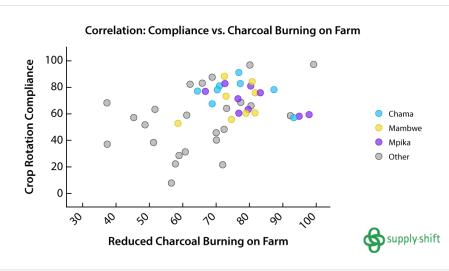


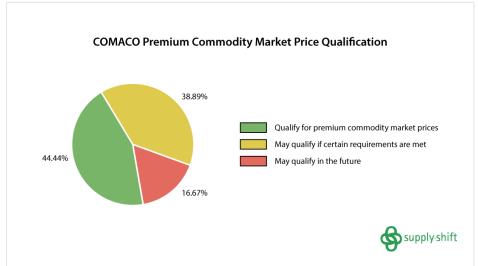
SupplyShift instant dashboard

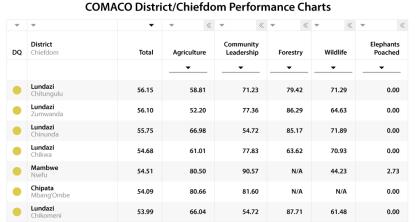


Supply Shift











Next Steps

- Finalize questionnaire and send for data collection
- Create a network and get engaged with other companies for data generation

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