



2022 LWG MEMBER CONFERENCE

Hybrid • September 22, 2022

SESSION 1:
Continuous Improvement



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As a world leader in the leather industry, we recognize the need to evolve, grow and change in ways that drive positive impact. The first session of our conference will explore our strategy for change by continuously raising standards, driven by key areas that require action.

- Opening Remarks: The vision for Leather Working Group
Ian Scher, *PrimeAsia*
- The LWG Audit Standard: Bridging the gap between business strategy & environmental operational activities
Guido Zilli, *Gruppo Mastrotto*
- Evolution of the LWG Audit Standards
Stuart Cranfield, *Leather Working Group*
- Q&A Panel Discussion
Panellists: *Christina Trautmann (facilitator), Guido Zilli, Ian Scher, & Stuart Cranfield*
- BREAK (30 MINUTES)



Ian Scher
VP Procurement

PrimeAsia Leather Corporation

The vision for Leather Working Group

Ian will open the LWG Member Conference, welcoming both in-person and virtual delegates. Ian will then take us through Leather Working Group's journey over the years, including its recent revolution into a truly mission driven organization, leading the sector in sustainability with a focus on responsibly made leather.

Speaker Profile

Ian Scher has over 50 years of experience in the hide, skin and leather industry. Ian began his career in a family wool, hide and skin business in Australia, and he has been actively involved in a multitude of capacities mainly centered around raw materials.

In Ian's current role as Vice President Procurement with PrimeAsia Leather Company, he manages the purchasing of raw material for the group's tanneries in China and Vietnam, in conjunction with his team in Taiwan.

Ian has been an active member of the LWG Technical Subgroup since 2007, and currently serves as the Chair of the LWG Executive Committee.

Conference opening

The vision for Leather Working Group

Ian Scher
Chair of Leather Working Group and
Vice President Procurement at PrimeAsia Leather Company

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22 September 2022

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After a long-standing relationship with LWG and years of learning from their expertise, it is an honor to partner with them to bring sustainability to the forefront of fashion.

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Joanna MacDonald
Founder & Creative Director, Piper & Skye

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Collective mission to address environmental impacts in the leather industry



2005



Global movement for change

1400+
certified sites in 55 countries to 4 audit standards

25%
of global finished leather represented

200+
participants actively engaged across 8 subgroups
and working groups

*numbers correct as of 31 August 2022



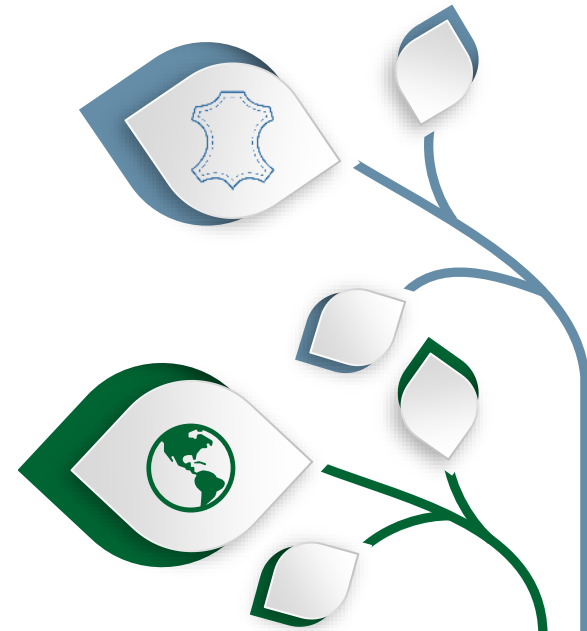


Driving best practice in leather manufacturing

Reduce emissions to the environment

Increase use of sustainable chemistry
supply chain transparency
supply chain due diligence

Improve resource efficiency
worker rights
worker health & safety



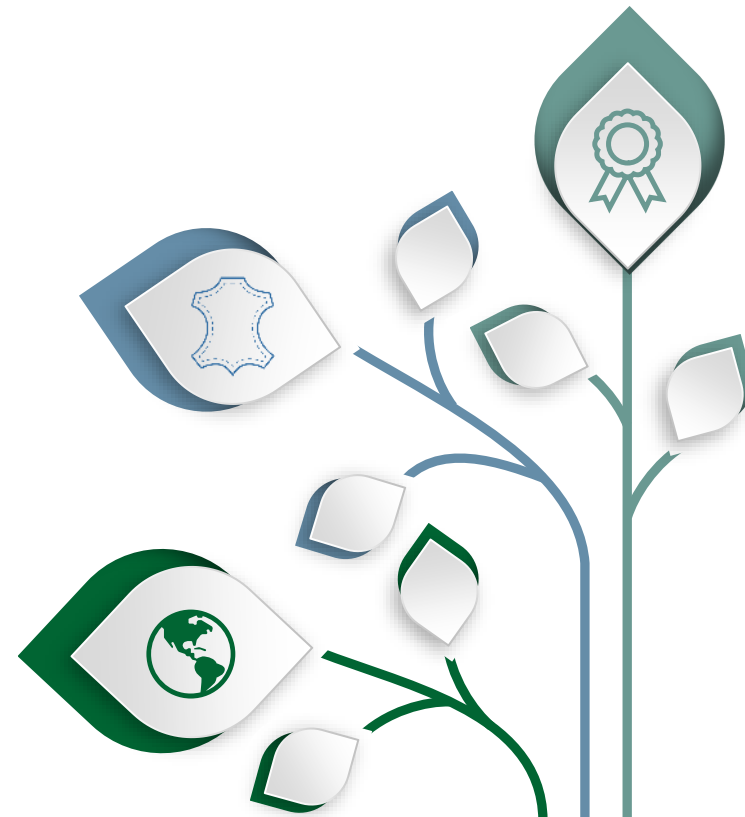


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Information science-based research

Data access to credible robust data

Tools suite of tools designed to drive positive change





Increasing collective effort

Establish collaborations & partnerships

Reduce duplication

Engage platform for pre-competitive collaboration





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Catalyst for change since 2005





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