In 2007 the UNEP FI Australian Group began identifying and documenting their approaches to sustainable supply-chain management.

The Australian UNEP FI organisations aimed to work together to help manage their supply chain impacts.

Existing programs with similar objectives and opportunities for improvement were researched.

A final report was produced in June 2008.

In 2009 the project team developed a consistent set of principles they would like to see of suppliers.

In late 2009, Bureau Veritas (consultancy) was engaged to develop the Code of Compliance and associated certification program.
Approach

Project Update:

► The Code of Compliance will be used by suppliers at three levels:
  - Self assessment
  - Desk-top assessment
  - On-site assessment

► Suppliers will be able to engage auditors to assess their performance against the Code of Conduct
Structure

Topic areas covered by the Code of Conduct:

- Topic 1: Corporate Governance
- Topic 2: Environmental Management
- Topic 3: Occupational Health, Safety and Environment
- Topic 4: Workplace Policies & Human Rights
- Topic 5: Risk Management
- Topic 6: Supply Chain Management
- Topic 7: Community
The proposed scoring system is provided below:

- 1 Star - At least 1 Star in all categories
- 2 Star - At least 2 Star in all categories
- 3 Star - At least 2 Star in all categories and an overall average score of 3 star
- 4 Star - At least 2 Star in all categories and an overall average score of 4 star
- 5 Star - At least 2 Star in all categories and an overall average score of at least 4.5 star
Next Steps

► Trial approach with four supplier organisations

► It is anticipated that the code of conduct and the program to allow suppliers to be assessed against it will be launched by the end of 2010