

AID DETAILS

BILATERAL AID

Change Your Shoes

General Information

Funding entity	Slovak Aid
Recipient Country	Bilateral, unallocated
Implementing Organization	Slovenské centrum pre komunikáciu a rozvoj, n.o.
Implementing Organization Code	Donor country-based NGO
Geo Location	
Longitude	
Latitude	
Start of Commitment	2016-10-19
End of Commitment	2017-10-31
Currency	EUR
Status	OECD approved

Description

There were over 22 billion pairs of shoes produced in the world in 2015. Behind our shoes, especially leather shoes, there can be human rights violations or harming of the environment in many places along the supply chain. Footwear is a labour intensive product involving a considerable amount of manual low-skilled work. For this reason many European footwear brands outsource all or part of the manufacture to countries where wages are low and harmful practises more common. In these countries workers also often lack the possibility to improve their bad conditions (such as as low wages, illegal levels of overtime and lacking health and safety measures) due to restrictions on collective bargaining and freedom of association. Today 87 % of shoes are made in Asia, with China as the main producer, producing almost 2 out of 3 of every pair of shoes sold in the world. When it comes to leather shoes, over 40 % are made in China, followed by Italy (6%), Mexico (6%), Brazil and India (4% each). Usually these countries offer less restrictive environmental rules as well, which benefit greatly the leather production, a core part of the leather shoes supply chain. In the producing of leather shoes two of the most harmful stages are tanning - making the animal skin into leather - and assembly in the shoe factory. The footwear sector is a key part of the broader fashion industry. However, in contrast to the textile sector, the grievances of the production processes of the leather and shoe industry are largely unknown. Change Your Shoes is a European initiative which stands up for an ethical, sustainable and transparent shoe supply chain. It activates people as consumers and citizens to demand better working conditions for the makers of our leather shoes from the Global South. Project activities involve research on the working and environmental conditions in the leather and shoe production in Europe and Asia as a basis for the dialogue with EU citizens, decision-makers and shoe brands on these grievances. It also collaborates with trade unions and labour rights groups and supports their struggles for better working conditions in production countries. Primary target group of the project - EU citizens will be involved as consumers and activists/multipliers through

Commitments and Amount Extended (EUR)

Reporting Year	Commitments	Amount Extended
2016	29 000 €	26 100 €
Total	29 000 €	26 100 €

Sectors share

Sector name	Share
Business Policy and Administration	100.0 %

Statistics

Statistics show the proportion of the Change Your Shoes project compared to the implementing subject and the type of flow

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All Flows

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Comparison based on the region



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