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Open Supply Hub announces full Board of Directors

- *The nonprofit has announced its full Board of Directors, following nine new appointments*
- *The Board represents a diverse range of industry actors in global supply chains, from brands and retailers, to unions and human rights representatives*
- *In light of the wave of supply chain legislation being enacted globally, there has been increasing attention paid to the importance of sharing supply chain data*
- *The Board will support the strategic direction of the organization as it looks to further scale its technology and impact*

New York, U.S. 21 June 2023: Supply chain nonprofit Open Supply Hub (OS Hub) has announced nine new appointments to its Board of Directors.

The appointments are:

- Alexis Bateman - Principle Product Leader - Sustainability Tech, Amazon Web Services
- Laura Carter - Regional Officer, Latin America and Caribbean office, IndustriALL Global Union
- María Victoria Gama - Senior Human Rights Analyst, Verisk Maplecroft
- Dr Feng Gao - Director and Cofounder, Open Data China
- Aruna Kashyap - Associate Director (Economic Justice and Rights), Human Rights Watch
- Jiehui Kia - Business Development Manager, Ichi Seiki Pte Ltd.
- Craig Lee - Managing Director, Draper Richards Kaplan Foundation
- Fleur Meerman - Senior Policy Advisor, The Social and Economic Council of the Netherlands
- Thy Try - Executive Director, Open Development Cambodia

The new appointments will join the organization's existing Board of Directors:

- Rola Abimourched - Deputy Director of Investigations and Gender Equity, Workers Rights Consortium
- Peter Burrows - Co-Founder and Executive Director, Fair Factories Clearinghouse and Chair of the OS Hub Board
- Jack Hardinges - Head of Programmes, Open Data Institute
- Frank Michel - Executive Director, ZDHC Foundation
- Paul Roeland - Transparency Lead, Clean Clothes Campaign
- Sara Sticha - Senior Manager of Sustainability, Target

In November 2022, the organization (formerly the Open Apparel Registry) announced its expansion beyond the apparel sector. Since then, the volume of data has grown significantly, doubling the number of facilities in the database to over 185,000. This data has been contributed by more than 700 organizations. Household names such as Amazon, Asda, HEMA, John Lewis Partnership, Sainsbury's Argos, Target Corporation and The Walt Disney Company regularly share data from multiple categories of their supply chains.

Furthermore, Open Supply Hub's global team, which is fully remote, has more than tripled in size since the start of 2022, with hiring continuing this year.

In light of the wave of supply chain legislation being enacted globally, such as the EU Regulation on Deforestation-Free Supply Chains, The German Supply Chain Act and the Uyghur Forced Labor Prevention Act, there has been increasing attention paid to the importance of supply chain mapping and OS Hub's open data approach. As such, Open Supply Hub has seen particular interest from new sectors such as food and beverage, sporting goods, electronics and toys.

As the nonprofit continues to scale and further its mission, the Board of Directors will play an active role in helping to shape its strategic direction.

Natalie Grillon, Executive Director of Open Supply Hub commented:

“At Open Supply Hub, our mission is to open up supply chain data for the public benefit. Building an enabling technology that creates systemic change in supply chains requires a broad range of perspectives. Centering stakeholder voices ensures that our tool continues to be useful across supply chains and allows everyone to benefit from the data, whether that is to more effectively progress advocacy work or to make ESG data actionable and impactful. This is why we have always championed our multi-stakeholder Board of Directors as a critical piece of our governance and model.

“We’re thrilled to welcome these new members to our Board. With 53% female representation and members from Asia, Latin America, Europe and North America, our Board represents a diverse range of actors across global supply chains. These perspectives are invaluable as we look to scale our technology and ensure that our tool is a critical piece of infrastructure for everyone working across global supply chains.”

Peter Burrows, Board Chair at Open Supply Hub commented:

“We’re delighted to have grown our Board of Directors, whose breadth of experience will be vital as we continue to scale. The Board’s insights will not only help to shape Open Supply Hub’s strategic direction, but will also ensure that we continue to be a platform that is designed to benefit the entire range of stakeholders in global supply chains. This is absolutely critical for creating meaningful change the world needs to see.”

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About Open Supply Hub

[Open Supply Hub \(OS Hub\)](#) is a nonprofit organization, making supply chain data open, accessible and trustworthy for the public benefit. It is populated and used by stakeholders across multiple sectors and provides standardized, interoperable data about global supply chains. This enables users across industries and geographies to take collective action, and to address human rights and environmental challenges. Not only does OS Hub’s work have the potential to improve insights about global supply chains, but the data can be used to inform decisions regarding sustainability, ESG and worker’s rights.