



## Sustainable Leather Foundation

### Traceability & Transparency Collaboration Hub

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#### Discussion

- Conversations were held around traceability in low income, high producing countries and what could be done to support improvements in traceability.
  - Industry associations / government / local groups working together to drive change and exert influence
  - Impossible in some places to use high-tech solutions
  - Mexico very fragmented also (vertically and horizontally) – even within automotive
- Discussion held around correlation in terms of language, animal welfare and different farming methods globally and regionally.
- Discussion held around granularity and how much information consumers really need. Some consumers want to know the detail right back to the individual animal. Becoming more important.
- Issues with regard to contamination with other materials – challenging when thinking of post consumption and circularity models.
- Case studies would be beneficial to understand different approaches and methods that can be adopted.
- Product sub-division is an important characteristic for future discussions – how can sub-components be tracked for future use? Hair, shavings, etc.

#### Next steps

- Creation of a global map identifying traceability capabilities and issues that could affect the ability to provide traceability
- Document highlighting needs and benefits of traceability