

# How do SLCP, Worldly and Cascale collaborate?



## What do we do?

The Social & Labor Convergence Program (SLCP) is a multi-stakeholder initiative committed to decent working conditions in global supply chains. SLCP addresses the burden of redundant and resource-intensive social audits by offering a Converged Assessment Framework (CAF) that provides credible and actionable data. This framework enables stakeholders to redirect resources towards meaningful improvements.

Worldly is the leading sustainability data insights platform for consumer goods industries. It is the exclusive provider of the Higg Index, developed by Cascale.

Cascale creates and owns the Higg Index, a suite of tools to evaluate the social and environmental impact of the global supply chain. Cascale integrates SLCP's CAF into the The Higg Facility Social & Labor Module (Higg FSLM), which is part of the Higg Index.

## What is the organization's relationship to the Converged Assessment Framework (CAF)?

SLCP owns and updates the CAF. The CAF consists of three elements: a Data Collection Tool to complete a self-assessment, a verification methodology and guidance documents. SLCP signatories created this framework to replace all other social audits and reduce audit fatigue.

Worldly is an SLCP Accredited Host, meaning they facilitate SLCP assessments for manufacturers and data analysis for brands and other end users on their platform. Manufacturers can choose to complete the CAF on the Worldly platform in the form of the Higg FSLM. Worldly also offers additional data analytics and data sharing services to brands and manufacturers.

The Higg FSLM is based on SLCP's CAF. All Higg FSLM questions asked are the questions from SLCP's Data Collection Tool and the verification process followed is according to the rules in SLCP's Verification Protocol.

## How are these organizations involved in the implementation of social & labor assessments using the CAF?

SLCP provides a Gateway which is the central repository for all SLCP assessment data and links all the platforms together, making it possible for facilities to share data among Accredited Hosts and to all their end users. It is **free** for all facilities to use the Gateway. SLCP Accredited Host partners provide optional additional services such as scoring and analysis on SLCP data.

Worldly is one of SLCP's Accredited Hosts. Facilities can purchase the Higg FSLM module on the Worldly platform to complete their self-assessment. Their completed FSLM assessment can be shared with multiple brand partners via the Worldly platform. For the completed FSLM assessment to be shared to the SLCP Gateway, it must be verified first (vFSLM).

Through the Higg vFSLM, Cascale have developed a scoring methodology to assist brands/retailers with analysing SLCP assessment data that is collected via the CAF.

## Is scoring provided on the assessment data?

SLCP does not provide scoring or value judgment on the assessment data. The SLCP framework provides flexibility to brands or retailers to map SLCP assessment data to their own code of conduct or use mapping and scoring services provided by our Accredited Host partners.

The Higg FSLM on Worldly includes the scoring methodology developed by Cascale. The scoring framework helps a facility set targets for performance improvement.

Cascale integrates SLCP's CAF into the Higg Facility Social and Labor Module (Higg FSLM). Cascale then adds a scoring component to the Higg FSLM so that businesses can see their annual social impact performance and progress. Cascale also manages the verification program for the Higg Index, including for Higg FSLM.

## Is it possible to **only** do a self assessment?

No - with the exception of Better Work assessments shared to the SLCP Gateway, all SLCP assessments require verification. Only verified assessments (vFSLM) can be shared to the SLCP Gateway.

Yes. On Worldly, you may purchase the Higg FSLM and complete a self-assessment only, however the assessment can only be shared to the SLCP Gateway if it is verified (vFSLM).

Both vFSLM and FSLM can be scored using the Cascale Higg Index methodology.

## What are the benefits of using the CAF, Worldly and Higg FSLM?

Implementing SLCP's CAF can **replace other social compliance audits with just one assessment**. Facilities can share their assessment data with an infinite number of end users. That way, audit duplication can be reduced, freeing up resources that can be redirected into improving working conditions.

The Worldly platform also enables you to more easily share that progress with your brand partners showing your mutual commitment to social impact improvement. Worldly also provides access to data insights and analytics to help you set goals and compare against industry peers.

By using Higg FSLM on Worldly, you have access to the Cascale scoring methodology enabling you to set targets and track progress over time. A Higg verified FSLM can be shared via the SLCP Gateway to other Accredited Hosts or directly to clients.

## Where can I find more information?

Visit SLCP's [website](#) or find more information about the CAF on SLCP's [Helpdesk](#).

Visit Worldly's [website](#).

Visit Cascale's [website](#).