

Day One: Tuesday October 15

Time	Session	Outcomes	Speakers
08:30- 09:30	Registration, breakfast & networking		
09:30 -09:45	<p>Welcome A warm welcome to Xplore Sustainability North America 2024 with our Head of Community, Pritesh Chauhan.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Gain an understanding of the event and plan your agenda to get the most from the two days 	Pritesh Chauhan, Head of Community, Sedex
09:45 – 10:00	<p>Making the Connection Embracing the breadth of our audience, this informal session will facilitate introductions and spark conversations, creating a safe space to share sustainability challenges, what you hope to get from the event and a chance to connect with your peers.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Connect with attendees and understand who else is in the room Uncover shared sustainability & compliance challenges 	
10:00 – 10:30	<p>The Latest Industry Trends in Sustainable Sourcing Sedex’s Chief Marketing Officer shared industry insights and analyst trends gathered from work with Gartner, Forrester and Verdantix with a focus on supply chain visibility and due diligence.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Understand the top issues, challenges and drivers impacting sustainable sourcing on both a global and regional level 	Maurizio Capuzzo, Chief Marketing Officer, Sedex
10:30 – 11:00	<p>Sedex Updates & Roadmap Understand how Sedex’s data-driven tools empower our members to meet evolving environmental, social, and governance (ESG) challenges through enabling greater supply chain visibility, compliance with sustainability-related laws and ESG performance management.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Stay up to date with the latest Sedex suite of tools Proactively identify supply chain risks, increase efficiencies and meet wider business goals. 	Allison Hudson, Director of Member & Customer Relations, Sedex
11:00 – 11:30	Networking Break		
11:30 – 12:00	<p>The ESAQ: A Structured Approach to Measuring Environmental Performance in Your Supply Chain The Environment Self-Assessment Questionnaire (ESAQ) enables members to efficiently meet regulatory, reporting, and sustainability objectives. Join our environmental sustainability</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Build a structured approach to assessing environmental performance in your supply chain. Identify areas for improvement & track environmental targets. 	Speakers to be announced

	experts as they talk through the ESAQ and wider environmental standards and regulations.		
12:00 – 12:30	<p>Assessing Service Provider Suppliers: An Essential Component of Human Rights Due Diligence</p> <p>The emphasis on corporate sustainability and human rights due diligence has never been stronger. Yet, one area that often falls under the radar is that of service providers.</p>	Join this session to understand why assessing service provider suppliers is essential for human rights due diligence and how the new SAQ helps Sedex members to meet this need.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Tom Sewell, Social Sustainability Manager, Sedex
12:30 – 13:15	<p>Elevating the Audit Experience with SMETA 7.0</p> <p>As companies strive to build sustainable and ethical supply chains, the need for robust assessment tools has never been greater. We are excited to be launching SMETA 7.0 – the updated methodology offers enhanced features and greater insights, enabling companies to identify and address risks more effectively.</p>	<p>Understand key changes to the SMETA audit methodology with the team behind it, including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Workplace Requirements Management Systems Assessment Collaborative Action Required 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Clare Fitton, SMETA Evolution & Impact Lead, Sedex
13:15 – 14:30	Networking Lunch		
14:30 – 15:00	<p>Sustainability Keynote</p> <p>An external speaker shares insights from the wider ESG and sustainability landscape.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Explore best practice examples in sustainability initiatives 	Speakers to be announced
15:00 – 15:45	<p>Navigating Sustainability: Insights & Strategies</p> <p>This interactive session will update you on the latest global sustainability and due diligence legislation and features members sharing some of their own experiences in navigating these with Sedex's help.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Gain a good understanding of global sustainability regulation and the challenges impacting a wide range of industries with practical tips and expert advice. Understand how to secure internal resources and backing. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Leah Powley, Senior Analyst, Ferrara Noémie Job, Managing Consultant, Sedex Charlotte Kincaid, Senior Consultant, Sedex
15:45 – 16:15	Networking Break		
16:15 – 16:45	<p>Member Case Study</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Gather actionable insights and tips from similar profile businesses 	Speaker to be announced

	Sedex members share their journeys towards achieving greater sustainability.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Learn from other members experiences 	
16:45 – 17:15	<p>Ask the Executives: Insights and Q&A</p> <p>In line with our commitment to open communication, this session provides a exclusive platform to ask your questions directly to members of the Sedex executive. Bring the issues that matter most to your organization and dive into a fast-paced Q&A session.</p>	<p>This interactive dialogue is designed to shed light on your concerns, offering direct access to executive insights on the latest developments in sustainable supply chains and ESG, as well as the strategic direction of Sedex.</p>	<p>Moderator: Olivia Thomson, Communications Manager Sedex</p> <p>Panelists:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Jon Hancock, CEO, Sedex Allison Hudson, Director of Member & Customer Relations, Sedex
17:15 – 17:30	Closing & Reflections		
17:30 – 19:30	<p>Networking Drinks & Sedex Expert-Led Pods</p> <p>Continue the conversation over a drink, join networking activities and expert-led pods.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Create meaningful connections with attendees and the Sedex team Dedicated time to dive into topics & challenges on a 1:1 basis 		

Day Two: Wednesday October 16

Time	Session	Outcomes	Speakers
09:30 – 09:45	Welcome		Keren Bowman, Senior Community Engagement Manager, Sedex
09:45 – 10:30	<p>Effective Strategies for Supplier Engagement and Supply Chain Mapping</p> <p>This session combines fresh approaches to implementing supplier engagement programs and discusses the importance of supply chain mapping. Sedex experts outline where we can support members.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Leave armed with practical takeaways and best practice examples for successful supply chain mapping & supplier engagement 	<p>Audrey Clavedon, Head of Global Sustainability Impact & Engagement, Sedex</p> <p>Isabelle Fletcher-Wilson, Head of Account Management & Customer Success, Sedex</p>
10:30 – 11:15	<p>Member Case Study</p> <p>Sedex members share their journeys towards achieving greater sustainability.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Gather actionable insights and tips from businesses with a similar profile • Learn from other member experiences • Gain insights into other industries 	Speaker to be announced
11:15 – 11:45	Networking Break		
11:45 – 12:30	<p>Deep-Dive: Understanding the new SMETA Audit Methodology</p> <p>Extended session to discuss some of the practical detail and impacts of the new SMETA methodology on areas such as recruitment fees.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dive into specific aspects of the new audit methodology with the team • Have your questions answered in this interactive discussion 	<p>Clare Fitton, SMETA Evolution & Impact Lead, Sedex</p> <p>- More speakers to be announced</p>
12:30 – 13:45	Networking Lunch		

13:45 – 14:30	<p>Enhancing Supply Chain Sustainability with Environmental Data & Insights</p> <p>Deepening environmental data and insights</p>	<p>A discussion around deepening environmental data and insights with Head of Global Sustainability Impact and Engagement, Audrey Clavedon.</p>	<p>Audrey Clavedon, Head of Global Sustainability Impact & Engagement, Sedex</p>
14:30 – 15:00	<p>Audit Quality Programme (AQP): Driving best practice among audit companies</p> <p>Join us for updates on the Audit Quality Programme (AQP) – Sedex’s quality assurance programme for SMETA audits.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Understand how Sedex and the AQP team are working to raise the quality of SMETA audits whilst improving the detection and reporting of onsite issues. 	<p>Mariana Casillas, Senior SMETA & QA Manager, Sedex</p>
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16:00	Closing & Next Steps – Event Ends		