

Fair Trade policies in the European Union

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Fair Trade Advocacy Office

- Set up in 2004 by International & European Fair Trade networks
- Over 2,5 million Fair Trade producers and workers from 70 countries
- 19 labelling initiatives
- Over 500 specialised Fair Trade importers
- 4,000 world shops
- More than 100,000 volunteers











Overview across Europe

Local policies.

Example: Paris

Regional policies.

Example: Wales

National policies.

Example: France



European Union (i)

- Recognises Fair Trade definition by International Fair trade Networks

- Public procurement rules allows giving extra points to Fair Trade products



European Union (ii)

EU «Trade for All » strategy (Oct 2015) identifies various action points that offer opportunities for Fair Trade producers in Asia:

- European Fair & Ethical Trade City Award & market data reports
- More active support by EU delegations in Global South
- More support in implementation of EU trade& partnership agreements



Discussion

- How to use opportunities with EU?
- How to work together?
- Next steps?



Thank you for you attention!



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