The Sustainability Consortium (TSC) is a global organization leading the transformation of the consumer goods industry to deliver more sustainable consumer products. TSC convenes diverse stakeholders and members to build science-based decision tools and solutions that address sustainability issues that are materially important throughout a product’s supply chain and life cycle. TSC also offers a portfolio of services to help drive effective implementation.

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Consumer goods bring countless benefits to society, dramatically improving lifestyles around the world. These benefits however come with an increasingly sizable sustainability price tag—both for people and the planet. With 2.5 billion people joining the consuming class in the next few decades, we must address the production, use, and disposal of consumer goods: a sustainable world requires sustainable production and consumption.

TSC was created in 2009 to transform the consumer goods industry by partnering with leading companies, NGOs, universities, and government organizations to define, develop, and deliver more sustainable products. TSC uses a market-based approach to drive change. We believe that if one retailer incentivizes more sustainable products, it can make a difference—but if multiple retailers send the same market signal, the world can change.

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  - Collaborations with hundreds of stakeholders tackling issues in product supply chains.

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