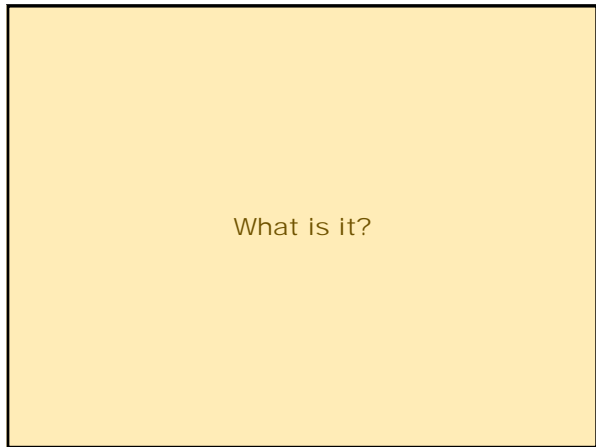


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### Topics for this lesson

- What is it?
- Legal aspects
- How to do it

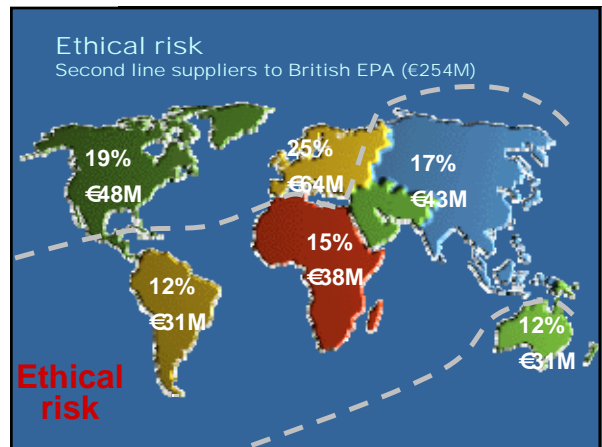
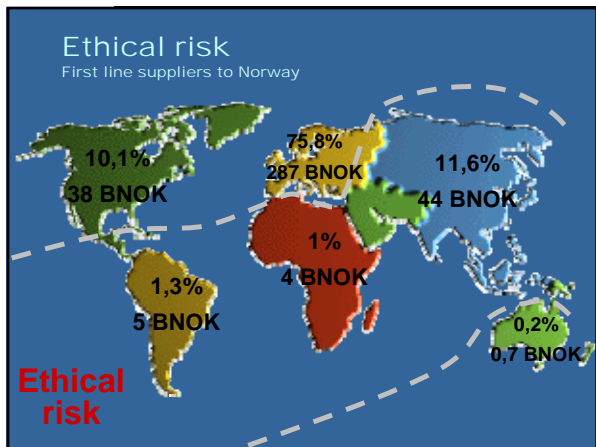
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### What is it?

- Ethical demands is **not** about exporting our working standards to other countries. **It is about respect for fundamental working and human rights.**
- Neglect of ethical demands may result in negative publicity:




## Ethical criteria to be used

- UN Convention on the Rights of the Child, article 32, regarding economic exploitation, educational rights and personal development.
- ILOs 8 core conventions:
  - Elimination of forced and compulsory labour (no. 29 and 105)
  - Freedom of Association and Protection of the Right to Organize (no. 87)
  - Right to Organize and Collective Bargaining (no. 98)
  - Equal remuneration (no. 100)
  - Elimination of discrimination in respect of employment and occupation (no. 111)
  - Minimum working age (no. 138)
  - Elimination of the Worst Forms of Child Labour (no. 182)
- Legislation on working conditions in country of origin



## Complex supply chains

- Thumb rule: Working conditions get worse the further back in the supply chain you get
- Possibility to influence is reduced the further back in the supply chain you get
- Great differences between product groups
- Focus on those products which origin is here:



## Legal aspects

## Legal aspects

- There are **no legal obligations** to use ethical criteria
- The criteria just shown are best suited as **contract clauses**
- **Not to use ethical criteria** can be said to be discriminatory. That is: Discriminating those who hold proper ethical standards/fulfill the laws, but have to charge higher prices

## How to do it

## Start with a political decision


- Have local council (or board) make a decision
- Present to the politicians a short action plan with
  - aims
  - why this should be done
  - which criteria to use
  - how to use them
  - which buys that are most relevant
  - what need there are for competence and resources
- This will give backing for further work

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## Tender document

Ethical aspects should be addressed in

- Subject matter of the contract
- Contract clauses





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## Follow-up

The follow-up can be done as follows:

- Self-declaration from supplier
- Follow-up meetings where ethical issues are reported
- Control on production sites
- Use of certified producers


- Klubben Ltd: How do you do it? How would you like us as procurers to address this issue?

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## Guide from 2009

- "Ethical criteria in public procurement" is a new guide for public sector (autumn 2009)
- Issued by Initiative for Ethical Trade and The Ministry of Children and Equality
- It is a concrete and good guide
- But only in Norwegian...




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## Group work

- Group work: Discuss possible environmental and social criteria for **computers**
  - Selection criteria
  - Technical specification
  - Award criteria
  - Contract clauses
- If quickly done: Have another go on **uniforms**

