

Common Code for the Coffee Community

## Sustainability in the production, post harvest processing and trading of Mainstream Green Coffee

A joint project between producers, traders, industry, development cooperation, trade unions and NGOs

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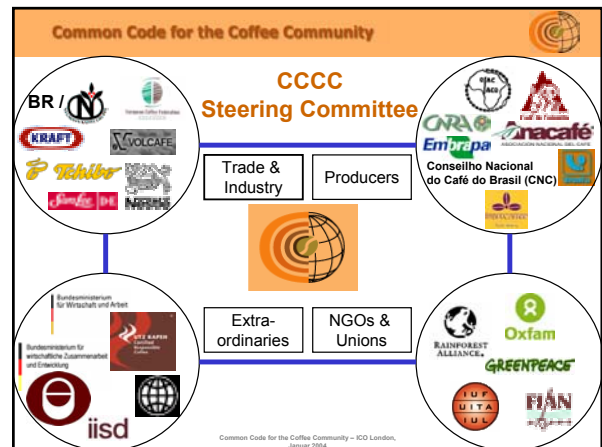
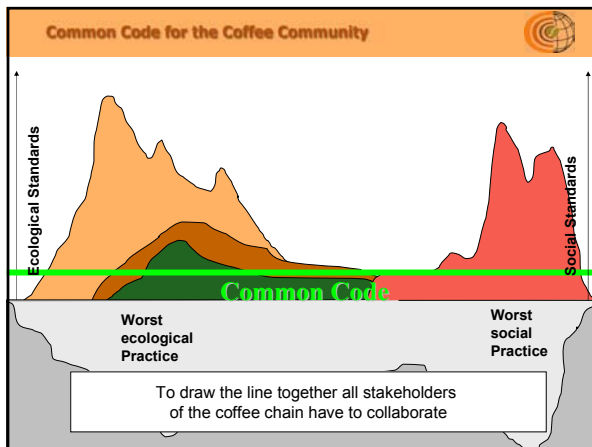
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### What?

#### Objectives of the Common Code Initiative

- Develop a global code for the sustainable growing, post-harvest processing and trading of mainstream green coffee until Dec. 2004
- Work in a consensual process between the stakeholders
- Draw on existing codes and guidelines
- Ensure the code's feasibility for implementation and its suitability for binding agreements
- Develop guidelines for implementation, independent monitoring and verification

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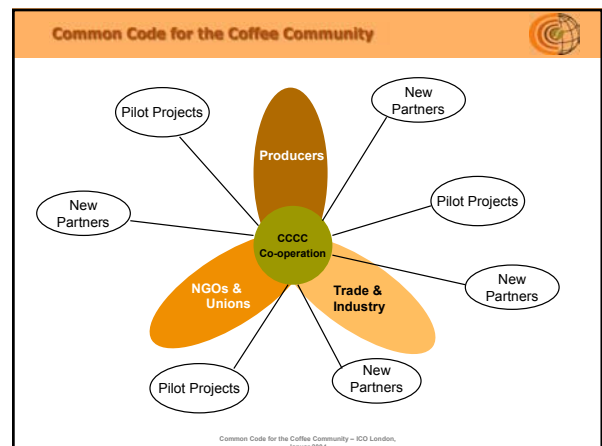


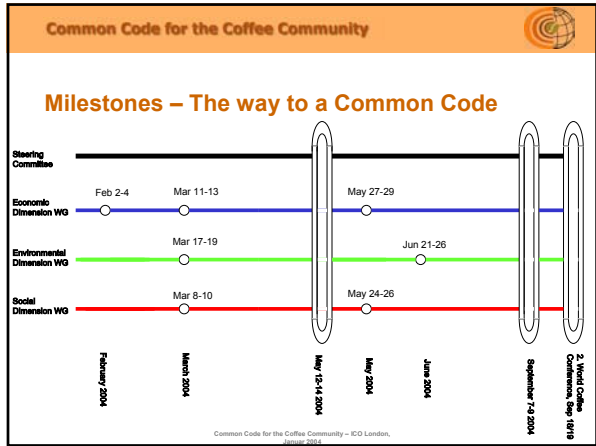
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### Where do we stand?

- two Steering Committee Meetings took place where the SC
  - agreed on the concept of sustainability for „mainstream“ coffee
  - members committed to participate in the process
  - agreed on the structure of the Code
  - nominated representatives for the Expert Working Groups
  - suggested categories and principles
- three Expert Working Groups on the social, environmental and economic dimension define specific aspects of the Code until September 2004
- first Pilot-Projects are in their formation phase

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