## Commitment to the TCLF Pact for Skills

Memo for Signatories of the Pact.

The TCLF Pact for Skills initiative brings together all types and sizes of businesses, EU umbrella organisations, social partners, vocational and education training providers, and regional/municipal authorities. Together, they commit to develop measures which address the main challenges of the textiles, clothing, leather and footwear industry in reskilling and upskilling its workforce, and thus build a competitive, sustainable and resilient ecosystem.

Signatories of the Pact endorse the analysis, proposed activities and targets as described in the Pact, and commit to contribute to realising these targets, within the limits of their competence and capacities. In this regard, they will promote collaborative actions to mobilise new investments. Signatories should also contribute towards promoting the TCLF Pact for Skills and can participate in its governance structures, which will be set up in early 2022.

Signatories of the Pact do not make a commitment of <u>results</u>, but a commitment of <u>efforts</u>. At the same time, endorsing the Pact does not result in guaranteed or automatic access to public funding. It offers a coherent framework within which access to funding will be facilitated<sup>1</sup>.

Implementation of the Pact for Skills will be facilitated and coordinated by EURATEX, with the support of the European Commission, who will also provide dedicate services in the form of networking, knowledge, and guidance & resources hubs to signatories of the Pact.

The TCLF Pact for Skills may be updated when required. New signatories may be added, while existing signatories are free to withdraw from the Pact at any time, notifying the Pact coordinator in writing.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> EU funding instruments for upskilling and reskilling are detailed <u>here</u>.