

## **ILO signs first license agreement with TÜV-Rheinland China to offer SCORE Training**

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Today the International Labour Organization and TÜV-Rheinland China signed a license agreement for three years that allows TÜV-Rheinland to provide SCORE Training to small and medium size factories in China.



SCORE Sustaining Competitive and Responsible Enterprises (SCORE) is a practical training and in-factory consulting programme that improves productivity and working conditions in small and medium enterprises (SMEs). SCORE Training demonstrates best international practice in the manufacturing and service sectors and helps SMEs to participate in global supply chains.

SCORE Training focuses on developing cooperative working relations resulting in shared benefits. The five SCORE Training modules cover Workplace Cooperation, Quality Management, Clean Production, Human Resource Management, and Occupational Safety and Health. Each module includes a two-day classroom training for managers and workers, followed by on-site consultations with industry experts that help to put the training into action in the workplace.

The ILO is assisting government agencies, training providers, industry associations and trade unions in emerging economies in Africa, Asia and Latin America to offer SCORE Training to enterprises. The project is managed by a global team based in ILO Country Offices and Headquarters in Geneva. SCORE is supported by the Governments of Switzerland, Norway and Canada and the ILO.

In China, SCORE has been operating since 2009 in several cities including: Dalian, Chong Qing, Chengdu, Shanghai, and most recently Guangdong province. Over 80 factories, representing thousands of workers have benefited from SCORE.

“With this new license agreement and partnership, ILO will create leverage for the capacity of a larger international training organization to scale up SCORE and deliver to many more factories,” said Mr. Michael Elkin the Global Coordinator for ILO SCORE.

China is the first country in the world for ILO to offer SCORE Training, and sees a growing awareness of the challenges of sustainable business practices, which has fuelled a growing demand for SCORE Training, especially from factories that participate in global supply chains.

A leading global service provider with rich experience in supply chain and CSR performance improvement in China, TÜV Rheinland assists enterprises in developing successful partnerships and sustainable growth. By providing training and consultation solutions for product quality, production efficiency, health and safety, energy saving and environmental protection, and CSR, TÜV Rheinland helps to realize performance and competency enhancement to enable enterprises to become more responsible and competitive members of global supply chains.

“Many of our customers are factories that sell to the leading global brands. These factories are under increasing pressure to become more productive and competitive, but also to improve the working conditions in their operations. SCORE is a practical, effective and affordable solution for these factories,” said Sherin Lin, Global manager for SCORE at TUV Rheinland.

TUV Rheinland is currently conducting SCORE Training to factories in Guandong, and plans to rapidly expand the SCORE offering in the next few months. For more information on ILO SCORE and how your brand or factory can benefit from this new opportunity, go to the ILO website, [www.ilo.org/score](http://www.ilo.org/score) or contact ILO in Beijing :

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