

Field trip 2025

Explore a certified forest and the responsible sourcing of fibers



Hosted by the Programme for the Endorsement of Forest Certification (PEFC) International, Talhadas, Portugal

Friday October 17, 7am–9pm

Depart from Lisbon; return to either Porto Airport or Lisbon

Take a journey into the forests of Talhadas and discover how sustainable forest management has a positive impact on the area's entire ecosystem. This one-day trip weaves together local culture and storytelling, the area's history, and the economic activity of the region that honors the natural environment.

What you'll experience:

- A unique walking tour through a PEFC-certified forest, exploring how the local community connects with its rich natural environment.
- An interactive workshop on sustainable forest management and responsible sourcing of fibers.
- Discovering how sustainable forest management and certification can help support your organization's ESG targets.
- Learning how the project was made possible through sponsorship and collaboration with Inditex.
- Local culture, traditions, and cuisine.

Recommended for:

The field trip is mostly relevant for brands and retailers; however, all organizations and stakeholders in the value chain are welcome.

Cost: 100 USD

Includes:

- Transportation from Lisbon, and to Porto Airport or Lisbon after the trip
- Guided tour
- Lunch and refreshments

NOTE: Attendees are responsible for their individual travel from Porto Airport or Lisbon after the field trip.

What to bring:

- Appropriate clothing
- Please make sure to wear comfortable and appropriate footwear for a forest walk.
- The weather in October is still pleasant, however please do pack rain clothing and keep an eye on the weather forecast just in case!

Agenda:

7:30am Depart from the conference hotel (Hyatt Lisbon) or Lisbon Congress Centre by coach.

11:00am Arrive in Talhadas.

- Welcome refreshments
- Interactive workshop: Hear insights from local organizations and exchange learnings
- Group lunch
- Guided walk along the pedestrian forest trail
- Cultural experience

5:30pm Depart Talhadas (please indicate your preferred drop-off location when registering).

- Around 1 hour to Porto (depending on traffic)
- Around 3.5 hours to Lisbon (depending on traffic)

NOTE: Places on the tour are limited. To participate, you must be registered to attend our conference. If you're already signed up, you can easily [modify your registration](#) to add a field trip.

Please only sign up for this field trip if you intend to attend. Field trip hosts spend time and financial resources to provide this opportunity for our attendees. *** NO REFUNDS, credits, or any reimbursements will be issued for no-shows.**

Textile Exchange is facilitating this field trip alongside the conference and is not responsible for any details of the trip being offered. Attendee contact information will be shared with the field trip host for details and communication about the field trip.

By participating in this field trip, all attendees acknowledge and agree that Textile Exchange acts solely as the facilitator of the trip and the field trip host is the organizer. While field trip hosts will take reasonable precautions to ensure the safety and well-being of all attendees, it is understood that attendees are individually responsible for their own actions and behavior during the duration of the trip. Textile Exchange and the field trip host shall not be held responsible or liable for any injury, loss, damage, or expense arising from the negligence, actions, or omissions of any attendee or third party during the field trip. Each attendee assumes full responsibility for any risks associated with their participation, including but not limited to, those related to their own conduct, health, and personal belongings. Attendees agree to indemnify and hold harmless Textile Exchange and the field trip host, its officers, employees, and agents from any and all claims, demands, losses, damages, and costs (including attorney's fees) arising out of or related to their own negligence or misconduct during the field trip.

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