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At a time of global crisis, we here at IPE hope you and your loved ones are all safe and well. During the past month, IPE has launched a real-time map showing pandemic updates to safeguard public's right to know, developed training materials to improve companies' environmental performance, and collaborated with brands to further promote supply chain transparency. As the pandemic crisis unfolds, we remain firmly committed to supporting various partners and stakeholders through this difficult time.

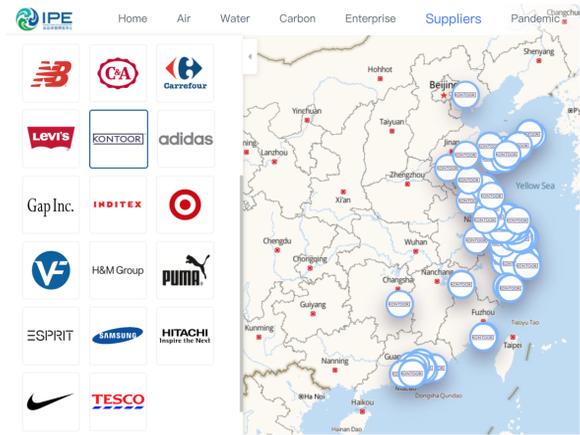
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This month, **40 brands** worked with one or more of suppliers to improve their environmental performance, demonstrating active supply chain management.

Kontoor Brands joins the Green Supply Chain Map



Global lifestyle apparel company Kontoor Brands has become the first brand to join the [Green Supply Chain Map](#) in 2020. The map, jointly developed by IPE and NRDC, collates information from government sources and brand companies to map out and present suppliers' environmental performances in China. Users can filter by brand to view individual companies' supply chains, or can also filter to see the types of data that each facility discloses, including real-time emissions data, feedback about corrective actions and annual resource usage data. So far, the map hosts 15 textile brands, 1 IT brand and 1 "diversified" industry brand, with a grand total of 1,770 suppliers linked to their brands' logos.

Webinar on using the power of data to reduce supply chain environmental risks

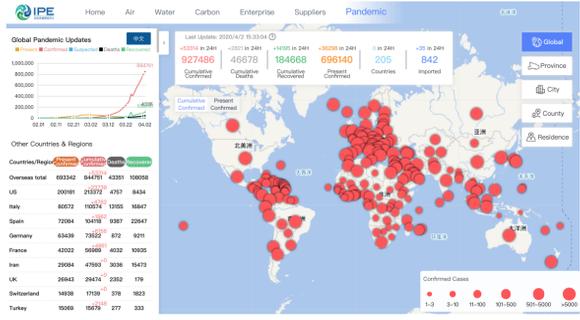
On March 11, IPE Senior Global Fellow Dr. Linda Greer spoke on a [Ceres webinar](#) about using data-based automated tools such as the [Blue EcoChain](#) to reduce brands' supply chain environmental risks. So far, this tool, developed by IPE, has been used by 37 leading brands to enhance the efficiency of supply chain compliance oversight across China.



In addition to the Blue EcoChain, IPE has recently developed a new breakthrough search tool, the [Blue Map for Business App](#) (蔚蓝企业版), which will further facilitate [financial institutions](#) in evaluating environmental performance of companies in China. This new App delivers a unique summary of information on environmental issues in industrial enterprises across the country in the form of an environmental risk assessment score called the **DECRA score**. The score is calculated based on the severity of environmental non-compliance, the confirmed public complaints records, safety and accident records, and degree of self-disclosure. The Blue Map for Business App and DECRA scores it delivers are currently being piloted for use by a major bank in China with an eye to scale up to thousands of factories by the end of 2020. For more information please see the fact sheet [here](#).

Map of COVID-19 updates launched on the IPE website

For the past two months, IPE has been focused on using our expertise in data collection, processing and visualization to support people and community during the coronavirus outbreak. The real-time map of novel coronavirus updates developed by IPE was released on the Blue Map App in late January, allowing people to easily access national, provincial, city, county and residential complex level data using their mobile phones. This month, we officially launched the maps and data dashboard on [IPE's website](#), providing a real-time and comprehensive view of the global pandemic situation.



Map of global pandemic updates



Map of work resumption in different provinces

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POLICY UPDATES & RESOURCES

Policy Updates

- On December 20, 2019, the Ministry of Ecology and Environment issued a notice on pollution source sewage permit clean-up and rectification in 2020. IPE has summarized the requirements and published the guidance for suppliers to register and apply for sewage discharge permit. [Read more details here](#) (Chinese).
- [Opinions on strengthening the safe production of hazardous chemicals](#) (Chinese) – Published by the State Council of P.R.C on February 26, 2020.
- [Implementation plan for relocation and upgradation of chemical companies along the Yangtze River in Hunan Province](#) (Chinese) – Published by People's Government of Hunan Province on March 23, 2020.

Policy Resources

- [Environmental Protection Tax Law of the P.R.C.](#) (English)
- [Soil Pollution Action Plan](#) ("Soil Ten") (Unofficial English translation)
- [Amendments to China's Air Law](#) (passed in August 2015) (English translation)
- ["Water 10" Action Plan](#) (issued in April 2015) (English translation)
- [Made in China 2025](#) (policy summary)
- [EU-China Environmental Governance Project Policy Resource](#)
- [Center](#) (Bilingual)
- [China Hazardous Chemicals Management Resource Center](#) (Bilingual)
- [China Law Translate](#) (crowd-sourced English translations of Chinese laws)

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