

The Concern Debates Podcast 2025

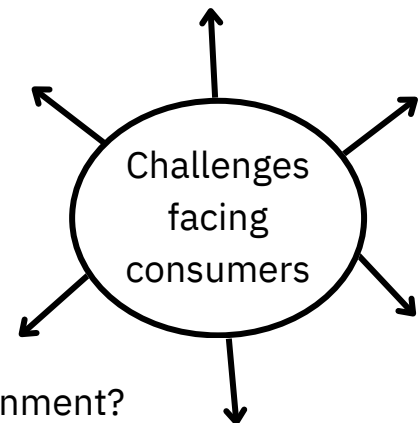
Motion Two

“Boycotting is the most effective way to end fast fashion”

In episode two of the 2025 Debating Development podcast series, Olga sits down with Jenny Gillen from Concern’s Communications team and Alannah Wrynn, a Concern Worldwide Youth Ambassador, to unpack the arguments surrounding this timely and thought-provoking motion. Together, they explore the power of consumer action, the impact of industry practices, and whether refusing to buy is truly the most effective path to change.

Listen to the podcast and answer the following questions:

- Define the term *fast fashion*:
- Complete the mind map:



- Why is fast fashion considered harmful to the environment?
- 1.
 - 2.
 - 3.
- What rules and regulations are in place to help make fashion more fair and sustainable, and do they actually make a difference?

| Local Perspective | EU Perspective |
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- What impact might widespread boycotting of fast fashion brands have?
- Do the guests mention any other solutions to the problem of fast fashion? How can consumers make more sustainable fashion choices?
- List three arguments that **support** the motion based on Jenny, Alannah and Olga's discussion.
- List three arguments that **oppose** the motion based on the interview.
- How do the topics discussed in the podcast connect to your life, either personally, at school or in your community?

What are your initial thoughts and opinions on the motion based on your listening to the podcast?