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# Augmenting sustainable fashion on Instagram

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#### Research problem

Sustainable fashion includes the variety of means by which a fashion item or behaviour could be perceived to be more sustainable, including (but not limited to) environmental, social, slow fashion, reuse, recycling, crueltyfree and anti-consumption and production practices.

(Mukendi et al, 2019, p. 2877)





#### Augment

To increase the size or value of something by adding something to it.

(The Cambridge English Dictionary, 2022)



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#### Aim

To explore the landscape of sustainable fashion on Instagram by uncovering the stakeholders who are championing this and the types of the content they are producing.

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@StoriesBehindThings

#### **Research Questions**

- **1. Which** aspects of sustainable fashion are being augmented through Instagram?
- **2.** Who are the stakeholders augmenting sustainable fashion on Instagram?
- **3. How** are these stakeholders augmenting sustainable fashion using Instagram?



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#	<b>#sustainablefashionista</b> 45.2k posts				
#	<b>#sustainablefashionindia</b> 52k posts				
#	<b>#sustainablefashionuk</b> 24k posts				
#	<b>#sustainablefashionblog</b> 19.8k posts				
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Which aspects of sustainable fashion are being augmented through Instagram?

- The imperative
- News
- Sustainable brands
- Vintage fashion
- Upcycled garments
- Sub-genres of fashion



**Who** are the stakeholders augmenting sustainable fashion on Instagram?

- Influencers
- Educational accounts
- Vintage enthusiasts
- Designers and makers
- Sustainable brands



**How** are these stakeholders augmenting sustainable fashion using Instagram?

- Nostalgia
- Story telling
- Co-creation
- Inclusivity



#### Conclusions

- Positive space
- Pro-active, helpful content
- Cross-category stakeholders
- Clear, relevant messages

Thank you! Do you have any questions?



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