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Dear Reader,
Welcome to the first issue of 'the Thread', Textile ETP's public newsletter!

We are excited to share our latest updates and insights with you on a monthly basis. Our goal is to provide valuable information and resources that will help you stay ahead in the textile industry.

Thank you for joining us on this journey, and we look forward to sharing more with you. Feel free to share it with your contacts that might be interested in signing up.

Best,
The Textile ETP Team

Follow the Thread

Meet the Textile ETP Members



Meet Alexandra De Raeve from HOGENT
Alexandra De Raeve is a textile engineer and researcher with over 10 years of experience in the field. She currently works as lecturer and coordinator of the HOGENT's research centre FTILab+, where she focuses on clothing comfort, biobased materials and textile functionality.

Want to meet people like Alexandra? Join Textile ETP! With our strong community of professionals, you will have access to a vast network of textile experts, opportunities to participate in collaborative research projects, and stay updated on the latest textile trends and developments.

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Textile ETP News and Events



Textile ETP Annual Conference 2023 and iTechStyle Summit: call for abstracts are open!
Textile ETP and CITEVE's iTechStyle Summit invite the submission of original abstracts to the 5th International Conference on Textiles & Clothing, held alongside the 17th ETP's Annual European Textile Conference and General Assembly, on **10-12 May, in Porto, Portugal**.

- The event will focus on three big themes: Green and Digital Transition, Smart Local Production and High-performance Materials, and will address four topics:
- Eco-design
 - Digital Product Passport
 - Smart Manufacturing
 - Performance Materials for Future Products

We are now opening the "Call for Abstracts" until 24 February and inviting you to join our panel of experts from multidisciplinary research and application areas that will share their knowledge and experience in these fields.

- [Read more information](#)
- [Read the Abstract Rules](#)
- [Download the Template](#)



Subscribe to our new pilot Masterclass on Textile Digitalisation
Are you interested in textile digitalisation - virtual materials and products, digitally enabled manufacturing, value chains and business models? Together with CITEVE, DITE, ITA RWTH Aachen, ITM TU Dresden, SIFEI, and TEX IS MORE, we are launching a new **6-month pilot masterclass programme** covering textile digitalisation with introductions and some success cases of applied research, technology development, industry innovation & market trends from across Europe.
Register now if you want to attend the first webinar, that will take place on 31 January.

[Subscribe now](#)

Knowledge Centre



Euroboostex market study: a useful guide to embrace the European Textile industry twin transition
EuroBoosTEX, a project lead by Textile ETP Members ATEVAL (Spain), AEI Textils (Spain), CITEVE (Portugal), Next Technology Technosuisse (Italy) and TECHTERA (France) has just released its market study about trends that will determine the future of the textile industry post-Covid, the European twin transition, as well as data collected from European Companies and Experts exploring their specific needs and priorities to overcome past and future challenges.

TRICK carried out the first shipments tracked on Blockchain within the Technical Textile Pilot
The TRICK project has successfully carried out the first shipments of technical textiles that have been tracked using blockchain technology. This is a significant milestone for the use of blockchain in supply chain management, as it demonstrates the potential for increased transparency and efficiency in the tracking of goods. If you are interested in blockchain and supply chain management, the report delves deeper into the pilot and its results.

- [Read the study](#)
- [Read the results](#)

Coming Up

The Calendar of Events

Interested in discussing with Textile ETP? Meet us at those events!

- GALACTICA Final Event**
16 February, Spain
The event will showcase the results and impact of the GALACTICA project, which supported new industrial value chains around innovative textiles and aerospace based on advanced manufacturing. It will feature pitches of winning projects and an award ceremony.
[More info](#)
- Textile ETP Annual Conference 2023 and iTechStyle Summit**
9-12 May, Portugal
Debates and reflections on current scientific and technological knowledge, involving innovative industry players, technology providers, researchers, clusters and other agents linked to the Textile and Clothing Sector from all over the world.
[More info](#)
- ITMA 2023**
8-14 June, Italy
The world's largest international textile and garment technology exhibition, ITMA highlights innovations that will help textile and garment manufacturers transform and grow their business.
[More info](#)

Exploring the World of Textiles

Lutz Walter's Monthly Blogpost



Hacking Textile Sustainability
Looking to learn about sustainable textile production? Our Secretary General Lutz Walter just published a new blog post exploring how the textile industry shouldn't be hacking sustainability for the sole purpose of showing showing green credentials to consumers or investors.

"There are unfortunately no easy short cuts. The journey needs to start with the fundamental definition of sustainability, starting with the very basic question of 'which concept or system should be sustained' based on the fundamental values and beliefs of the individual or organisation".

Whether you're in the textile industry or just a consumer looking to make more sustainable choices, this article is sure to provide valuable insights and inspiration. If you want to be part of the solution and not just talk about the problem, give it a read!

[Read "Hacking Textile Sustainability"](#)

Social Post of the month

The screenshot shows a LinkedIn post from Textile ETP (4,052 followers) dated 1w. The post text reads: "Yesterday, we hosted the first webinar of Module 3 of our #European Masterclass: Innovation in Circular & Biobased Textiles! We discussed textile sorting, circular workwear, sourcing raw materials, automation, and textile waste." It includes a video player showing a webinar with several participants. The post has 62 likes, 5 comments, and 5 reposts.