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Meet Peter Buttiens from ESMA

With over 16 years of experience in leading ESMA, Peter Buttiens focuses on supporting and developing manufacturers in the specialist printing industry, emphasising technologies such as screen, digital, and pad printing. He is dedicated to fostering collaboration and innovation within the industry, as evidenced by his involvement in coordinating funded research projects and organising technical seminars across Europe.

Want to meet people like Peter? 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



Subscriptions are now open: Circular and Biobased Textiles Innovation Hub, where European sustainable textile experts meet

The Textile ETP is happy to announce that subscriptions are now open for the Circular and Biobased Textiles Innovation Hub, which will kick-off in early 2024.

With the Innovation in Circular and Biobased Textiles Masterclass coming to an end in December, we are looking ahead to build on the knowledge, experience and community of the past 20 months, and launching a **long-term Innovation Hub where European textile sustainability experts can learn, network and collaborate on the hot topics of circular and biobased textiles.**

The Innovation Hub offers webinars, workshops, visits, networking opportunities (online and in-person), and will both be available to Textile ETP members and interested external parties with a background in textile sustainability.

Textile ETP members can subscribe to this community on a discounted price – find out more [here](#). Visit the [Innovation Hub page](#) to learn about the topics in focus, the different activities, the planning of the first 6 months and our FAQ.

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SmartX Community attends the E-textile Conference

On 14-16 November, SmartX Community Manager and Textile ETP Project Manager Judith Bosch attended the E-Textiles Conference in Ghent, Belgium, moderating a panel on sustainable approaches to bring e-textiles to the market. Emphasising cross-sectorial collaborations, Judith Bosch highlighted the SmartX Community's role in fostering innovation. The event was also an opportunity to meet with SmartX Community members like HOGENT, Centexbel, and CeNTI.

[Learn more](#)



ECOSYSTEM presented at WhiteCycle Workshop

On 28 November, Textile ETP Communications officer Charlotte Denis presented ECOSYSTEM at the first workshop of WhiteCycle, in Clermont-Ferrand, France. Charlotte Denis outlined ECOSYSTEM's recent achievements, including the publication of the [input paper identifying crucial research gaps & needs essential for facilitating the green transition of the European textile ecosystem](#), and the success of the ECOSYSTEM conference in October. We also explored synergies between projects, highlighting the importance of a more connected and collaborative ecosystem via ECOSYSTEM.

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EURATEX 2023 Autumn Report

EURATEX released its 2023 Autumn Report, which offers an insight into the 2022 evolution of the textile & clothing sector and prospects, as well as the general European economic forecast (2023-2024). It also provides detailed country reports written by Euratex Members' Associations.

To access the full version, please [visit this webpage](#) to purchase it (400€, including the 2023 Spring Report).

[More information on the report](#)



T-REX Project releases first white paper

The project's first white paper, [Connecting Threads: Assessing Digital Solutions and Needs for Circular Textiles](#), offers an assessment of key gaps and opportunities for implementation of digital solutions in the value chain. T-REX Project partners have conducted an extensive analysis of primary and secondary data to identify gaps and opportunities for digital solutions in circular textile value chains. The analysis initially focused on three key segments, including Waste Mapping, Supply Chain Traceability, and Digital Product Passports.

[Read the White Paper](#)

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The Calendar of Events



Next4Fashion: Unlocking New Sustainable Pathways

6 Dec 2023, Belgium

Join S4Fashion final event that will bring together experts in fashion, sustainability, culture and innovation who will be offering insights into the integration of sustainability and circular principles into innovation policies, sectors, and funding schemes within the fashion industry.

[More info](#)



PROPLANET PROJECT: Tackling Pollutants, Protecting Health and the Environment!

11 Dec 2023, Online

Discover the impacts of PFAS on human health and ongoing initiatives and strategies aimed at reducing or substituting the use of PFAS, and immerse yourself in interactive breakout sessions where you can share insights, ask questions, and actively contribute to the discussions.

[More info](#)



Heimtextil 9-12 Jan 2024, Germany

Heimtextil is the industry's most important global event for interior textiles, interior design and interior trends. With its new products and trends, it kicks off the upcoming season and gives important impulses to both exhibiting companies as professional visitors from all over the world.

[More info](#)

Exploring the World of Textiles

Lutz Walter's Monthly Blogpost



What will a regulated fashion industry look like?

"Regulation can and often does lead to greater stability, market consolidation, higher average profitability and strict accountability, all aspects that are in rather short supply in the global fashion supply chain today. But there are also consequences of regulation that are less desirable."

In his latest blog post, our Secretary General Lutz Walter delves into the evolving landscape of the fashion industry as it undergoes a transformative shift towards regulation. Explore the profound implications of the many EU legislative initiatives of the Green Deal, and how they will reshape the textile and fashion industries both in Europe and its main supplier countries worldwide.

Don't miss this article that navigates the intricacies of compliance, traceability, and the delicate balance between regulation and creativity.

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