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Meet Johannes Leis from STFI

Johannes Leis has studied "Textile Structures and Technologies" at the Technical university Chemnitz and since 2018, he is working at STFI. He started as a working student and since March 2020 he works as a Research Associate. In his work he is focusing on the optimization of mechanical recycling technologies and the therefore needed input composition as well as the processing of recycled fibers and the design for and design with recycling. He is a member in a number of national and international working groups and standardization committees surrounding circular economy or circular textiles. Furthermore, Johannes is giving lectures at the TU Dresden, the TU Chemnitz and the Kunsthochschule Berlin Weißensee on textile waste management systems and textile recycling.

Want to meet people like Johannes? 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 2025: between innovation, regulation and sustainability

The 19th edition of the Textile ETP Annual Conference took place in Alcoy, Spain, welcoming over 260 professionals spanning the entire textile value chain.

Against a backdrop of rapidly evolving regulatory frameworks, technological advances, and mounting environmental pressures, our conference offered a vital platform for strategic reflection, open dialogue, and collaboration.

Co-organised with [AITEC](#), Spain's leading textile research centre, the conference reaffirmed the sector's determination to face the future with purpose and partnership.

[Read the wrap-up article](#)



Registration now open for the 3rd ECOSYSTEX Conference!

Book your seat for the **third edition of the ECOSYSTEX Conference**, taking place in **Gothenburg, Sweden, from 29 September to 1 October**, in partnership with [RISE Research Institutes of Sweden](#).

Join experts, innovators, and key industry figures in this **immersive in-person event** focused on advancing textile circularity through cutting-edge technologies and business models. Expect two days of discussion, networking, and collaboration.

The programme features **interactive sessions led by key EU-funded projects**—PESCO-UP, SOLSTICE, Textended, Hemp4Circularity, and BioFibreLoop—a technology showcase by WhiteCycle, and exclusive site visits to RISE research facilities and the Swedish School of Textiles in Borås (visits are exclusive to members of ECOSYSTEX, Textile ETP, and the Circular & Biobased Textiles Innovation Hub, with limited capacity).

[Register now](#)



Textile ETP at Waste2BioComp's final event

On 29 April, Textile ETP Secretary General Lutz Walter joined the final **Waste2BioComp and BIOMATTERS Cluster event**, highlighting innovation in the bioeconomy. With keynotes from EU and CBE JU representatives, **the event showcased bio-based breakthroughs in textiles, packaging, and more**, underscoring the importance of policy, collaboration, and market uptake in scaling sustainable solutions.

[Read more](#)



Textile ETP elects new Governing Board

Dr. Manina Crmoja-Gosic, has been re-elected as President of Textile ETP for a second term. She will continue to work alongside Vice-President Braz Costa. Significant changes to the Board include the election of Paolo Canonico as Vice-President-Treasurer. The new Board, which **will start on 1 July 2025 and last for a duration of 2 years**.

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Circularity of the EU textiles value chain in numbers

A vision of the EU in its strategy on sustainable and circular textiles is to move away from fast fashion towards better and longer-lasting products, with more reuse and recycling. This briefing, by the European Environment Agency, helps fill data and knowledge gaps on the circularity of the textiles value chain to support policies targeted towards reducing the environmental and climate impacts of textiles.

[Read the briefing](#)



Circularity Gap Report Textiles

A first-of-its-kind report authored by Circle Economy and funded by the H&M Foundation, provides an in-depth view of the current circularity in clothing and textiles. The *Circularity Gap Report Textiles* urges immediate action to diminish the textile industry's environmental impact by embracing circular economy principles such as reuse, recycling, and slow fashion.

[Download the report](#)

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The Calendar of Events



ALIGNED & CALIMERO Science-for-Policy Event

4 June, online

Join leading researchers, policymakers, and industry voices t on 4 June 2025 in Brussels! This half-day forum will explore the evolving research and policy landscape for assessing biobased products. Key topics include cutting-edge research, sustainability metrics, and aligning scientific evidence with regulatory needs.

[More info](#)



ECOSYSTEX Insights Series #15

12 June, online

Join the 15th public webinar of ECOSYSTEX, and hear about four projects funded by the Circular Bio-based Europe Joint Undertaking: Bio-LUSH, POLYMERS-58, pHYB, and PROMOFER who will present their work and share their findings/progress.

[More info](#)



The Renewable Materials Conference

22-24 September, Germany & online

Organised by Nova-Institute, taking place both in person and online, the event will bring together experts from across the renewable carbon economy to explore innovative solutions for decarbonising the chemical and materials industries.

[More info](#)

Exploring the World of Textiles

Lutz Walter's Monthly Blogpost



What happens to non-clothing textile waste?

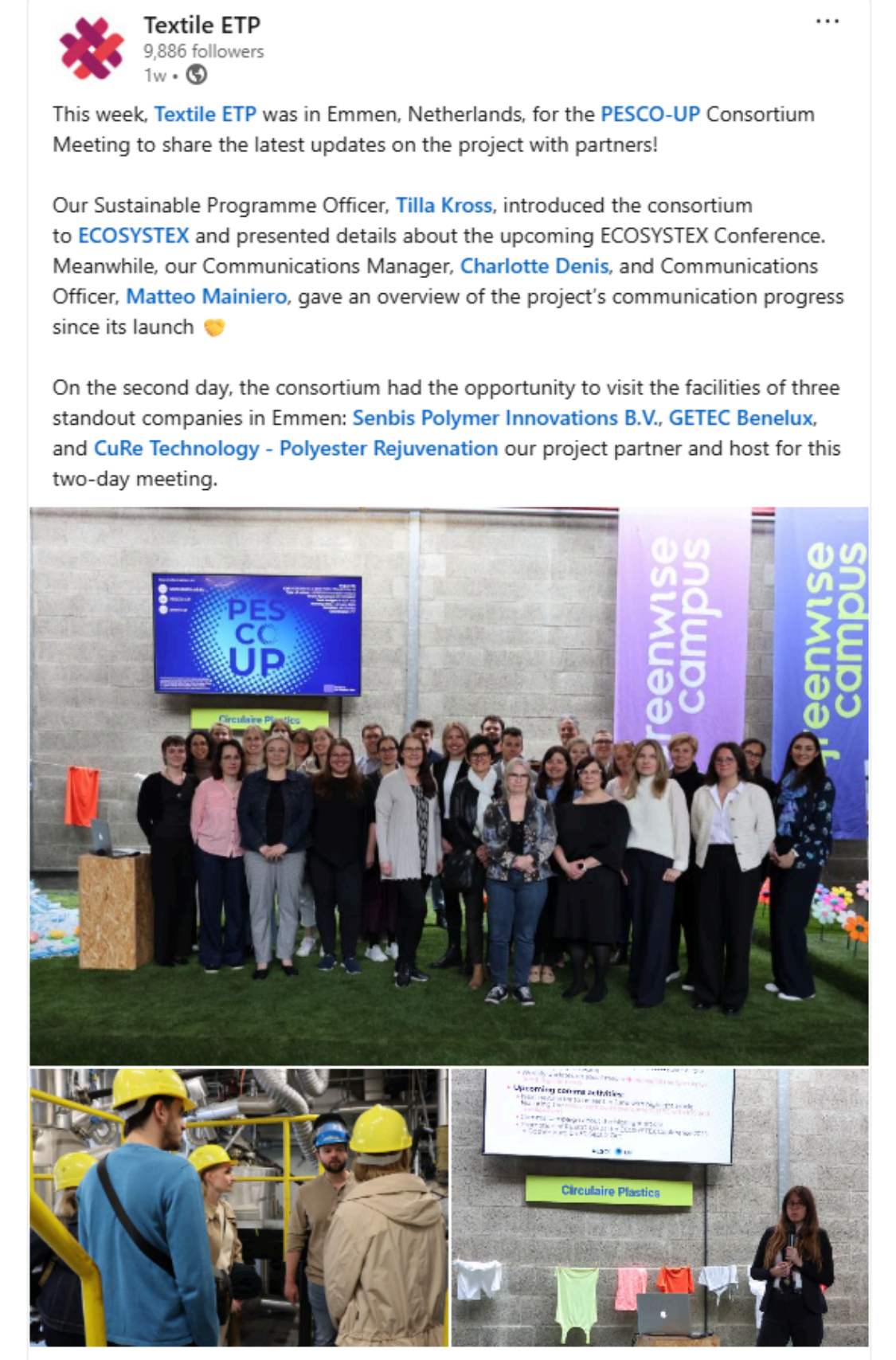
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"There is a lot of potential to increase circularity of all types of textile products if we are willing to see the big picture and its nuances, if we fully understand why and how textile materials and products are used by manufacturers and consumers, if we focus on professional end-of-life management, if we share technical knowledge, operational and regulatory best practices and if we tackle unfair competition with virgin materials that do not incorporate the full life cycle cost of their extraction, use and end-of-life treatment".

In his latest blog post, our Secretary General Lutz Walter sheds light on a German study that exposes a largely overlooked facet of the textile industry: the vast volume of non-clothing textile waste, from mattresses and carpets to artificial turf and diapers, and the staggering reality of how little of it is reused or recycled. He explores why circular economy principles remain far out of reach for most technical textiles and what policy, design, and infrastructure changes are needed to change that.

[Read "What happens to non-clothing textile waste?"](#)

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