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Meet Kristiina Ahonen from Mirka

Kristiina Ahonen is a Development engineer in Mirka's Innovation and Sustainability department. She leads product development and innovation projects, with a specialization in textile backings of abrasive tools. Kristiina enjoys contributing to circular product initiatives that shape the future of Mirka.

Want to meet people like Kristiina? 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



The "Textiles of the Future" Partnership under Horizon Europe call closes with 33 project proposals

The European textile Research & Innovation community has responded with remarkable energy and ambition to the **first call of the Textiles of the Future Partnership under Horizon Europe**, (HORIZON-CL4-INDUSTRY-2025-01-MATERIALS-31: Digitally enabled local-for-local textile and apparel production), which has just closed.

In total, **33 proposals** were submitted, reflecting the strong mobilization and commitment of universities, research institutes, SMEs, and industry leaders across the textile value chain. **With only €10 million available, it is expected that just two projects will ultimately receive funding.** Given that each proposal could request up to €5 million in support, the call has generated an estimated **€165 million in requested funding**, underscoring both the urgency and the scale of innovation needs within the sector.

Evaluation results are anticipated in early 2026, with successful projects expected to launch in the **spring of that year.**



Textile ETP at Première Vision 2025

On 16 September 2025, Textile ETP President Marina Crnoja-Cosic and Secretary General Lutz Walter attended Première Vision fashion fabrics fair in Paris, France.

Marina Crnoja-Cosic attended a European Textile and Apparel Industry Federations gathering issuing a call for urgent action against the rapid rise of ultra fast fashion and warning the severe consequences of this phenomenon, Lutz Walter spoke at a panel discussing the challenges of scaling textile-to-textile recycling.

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Textile ETP at Dornbirn GFC 2025

On 10-12 September 2025, Textile ETP participated in the Dornbirn-GFC GFC in Austria, represented by our President, Marina Crnoja-Cosic, and Secretary General, Lutz Walter. This year's focus areas, circularity, biobased materials, carbon stewardship, sustainable chemistry, and emerging high-performance applications, perfectly align with Textile ETP's strategic priorities. Together, they reflect the sector's ongoing transformation towards sustainability, digitalisation, and resilience, pillars essential for Europe's competitiveness in the global textile value chain.

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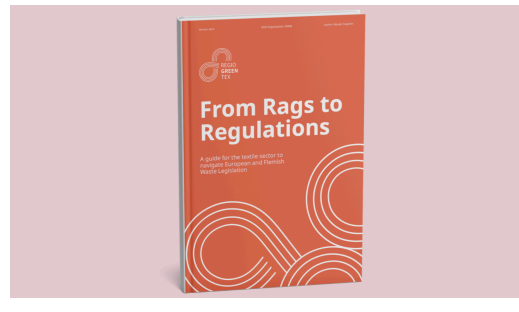
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SUSTRACK textile recommendations

The SUSTRACK project adopts a bottom-up approach to the development and validation of key project outputs by testing them against real case studies. In total 11 case studies were analysed. Here findings, recommendations and conclusions specifically from the 3 case studies covered for the textile sector are reported.

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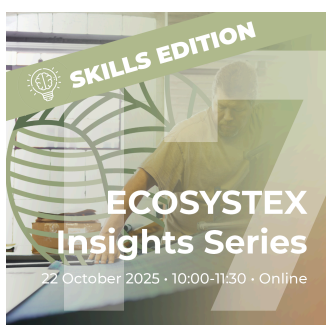
From Rags To Regulation

The goal of this RegioGreenTex document is to help textile companies navigate waste legislation on the EU-level and, where applicable, also on the Flemish level. It provides practical steps on how to comply with various pieces of legislation and explains concepts such as end-of-waste, environmental permits, registrations and waste transports.

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The Calendar of Events



ECOSYSTEM Insight Series #17

27 October, online
This special session marks the official launch of the Skills & Education Working Group within ECOSYSTEM. They will spotlight three Erasmus+ projects driving forward innovation in training, education, and skills for the Textile, Clothing, Leather and Footwear (TCLF) sectors: AEQUALIS4TCLF, SIT and IMASUS.

[More info](#)



From Demonstration to Scale: Regional Circular Textile Innovations

19 Nov, Italy
This on-site SOLSTICE RegioGreenTex gathering in Prato will feature three dynamic sessions and a guided visit, offering deep insights into innovative pilot projects, policy discussions, and collaborative actions shaping a more sustainable future for textiles.

[More info](#)



Advanced Recycling Conference

19-20 Nov, Germany
The "Advanced Recycling Conference" will provide an overview and in-depth insight into all available recycling technologies for various streams of different plastics wastes as well as into political topics and environmental impacts.

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Exploring the World of Textiles

Lutz Walter's Monthly Blogpost



Waterless Textile Dyeing: Where we stand and what role can it play for aggressive fashion industry impact reduction

"Dyeing and finishing, also known as tier 2 of the fashion supply chain, accounts for some 30-40% of the industry's carbon footprint and a significant share of its freshwater use. If we want to get anywhere near the aggressive decarbonisation targets or commitments made by many individual brands and collective industry initiatives towards 2040-2050, this elephant in the room needs to be tackled"

In his latest blog post, our Secretary General Lutz Walter examines the current state of waterless textile dyeing, a key lever in reducing the fashion industry's carbon and water footprint. He highlights a range of emerging technologies, from supercritical CO₂ systems and digital jetting to ozone and hybrid solutions, already operating at pilot scale, while noting the challenges of scaling, high costs, chemistry constraints, and the need for brand co-investment.

[Read "Waterless Textile Dyeing: Where we stand and what role can it play for aggressive fashion industry impact reduction"](#)

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