Textile ETP the largest European open expert network for Textile Research and Innovation

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Abstract

The European Technology Platform for the Future of Textiles and Clothing (Textile ETP) is the largest European network dedicated to textile research and innovation. Its main objectives are to ensure the long-term competitiveness of the EU textile and clothing industry through collaborative research across national borders in Europe and a rapid translation of research results into industrial innovation.

The European Technology Platform for the Future of Textiles and Clothing (Textile ETP) was created in 2004 to match research, and innovation needs and priorities of the European industry (represented by companies, associations and clusters) with the knowledge, scientific and technological capacities of universities, research organisation and technology developers. The aim is to raise textile competitiveness through intensified collaborative research and innovation.

Since 2013 the Textile ETP has been established as an international non-profit association under Belgian law with its permanent premises based in Brussels.

Textile ETP has 300+ member organisations from industry, research and higher education with a **total** of over 1200 registered individual experts.

According to the current strategy, adopted in 2018, the Textile ETP acts as Strategic Connector, Think Tank and Advocate, and Intelligence and Funding Access Provider to all our members across Europe. Therefore, the main activities of the Textile ETP revolve around Networking, Learning and EU Funding.

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