

# From EU Research to Sustainable Textile Business

## THE FIRST ECOSYSTEM CONFERENCE

### WED 18 OCTOBER

#### 15:30 **Visit of EURECAT Technology Centre of Catalonia**

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17:30
- Visit of Eurecat's high-performance textile manufacturing lab, including weaving and knitting technology, fibers, and yarn processing, managed in collaboration with the Textile School at Canet de Mar.

- Departure from central Barcelona approx. 14:00
- Return to central Barcelona at approx. 19:00

*Address: EURECAT Canet de Mar, Plaça Indústria 1, 08360 Canet de Mar*

### THU 19 OCTOBER

#### 9:30 **Setting the scene**

- Welcome words - *Kamilla Drubina (Textile ETP) & Cristina Paducea (European Commission)*
- R&I challenges in the textile sector - *Martin Policar (DG Research & Innovation, European Commission)*
- STEP 2030: EU partnership for sustainable textile research & innovation - *Kathrin Jaenecke (EURATEX)*
- Ecodesign for sustainable products regulation and its impact on textiles - *Carsten Wentink (DG Environment, European Commission)*
- Towards more circular and sustainable textile waste management in the EU - *Dries Huygens (JRC)*

#### 10:45 **Coffee break**

#### 11:15 **Interactive parallel sessions**

1. Traceability solutions for the textile supply chain - *Facilitated by TRICK Facilitated by Carla Fite (UPC)*
2. Scenarios for a circular textile value chain in Europe - *Facilitated by Emma Enebog & Marina Matteoni (RI.SE) from CISUTAC*
3. Creating data-driven solutions to recycling feedstock challenges - *Facilitated by Traci Kinden (Revolve Waste), Elizabeth Martin (Adidas) & Paula Sarsama (Infinited Fiber Company) from New Cotton Project*

#### 12:45 **Networking lunch**

#### 14:15 **Interactive parallel sessions**

4. Safe and sustainable by design workwear and protective clothing - *Facilitated by Lutz Walter (Textile ETP), Lya Hernandez (RIVM) & Claudia Som (EMPA) from IRISS*
5. Pathways to local and bio-based textiles - *Facilitated by Laetitia Forst & Rosie Hornbuckle (UAL) from HereWear*
6. Workable mapping and gap analysis of value chains for sustainable and circular textiles - *Facilitated by Philippe Colignon (Centexbel) from RegioGreenTex*

#### 15:45 **Coffee break**

#### 16:15 **Plenary session reporting of morning breakout sessions**

#### 19:00 **Networking cocktail**

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### FRI 20 OCTOBER

#### 9:30 **Plenary session reporting of Thursday afternoon breakout sessions**

#### 10:30 **ECOSYSTEM members updates**

- **CISUTAC:** Increasing Circularity and Sustainability in Textiles and Clothing - *Guy Buyle (Centexbel)*
- **New Cotton Project:** Paving the way to industrial scale-up of a circular textile chain - *Paula Sarsama (Infinited Fiber Company)*

#### 11:10 **Coffee break**

#### 11:40 **ECOSYSTEM member updates**

- **TRICK:** Digitally overcoming the barriers towards the textile value chain traceability - *Alessandro Canepa (Fratelli Piacenza)*
- **IRISS:** The Safe and Sustainable by Design framework in practice first lessons from the project - *Lya Hernandez (RIVM)*
- **RegioGreenTex:** Strengthening textile circularity in Europe's regions through innovation and investment - *Jennifer Palumbo (Euralex)*
- **HEREWEAR:** Empowering local, circular and bio-based textiles - *Guy Buyle (Centexbel) & Saman Khodabandeh (Mitwill Textiles)*

#### 13:00 **Wrap-up and what's next**

*Lutz Walter & Kamilla Drubina (Textile ETP)*

#### 13:30 **Farewell lunch**



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