

Natural Fibres Steering Committee Meeting

ORGANIZATIONAL DETAILS

DATE:	WEDNESDAY, 9 th JANUARY 2019 (DURING HEIMTEXTIL 2019)
TIME:	3:00 PM to 5:30 PM
TIME: VENUE:	 3:00 PM TO 5:30 PM INDUSTRIEVERBAND VEREDLUNG - GARNE - GEWEBE - TECHNISCHE TEXTILIEN E.V. (IVGT) Mainzer Landstr. 55 60329 Frankfurt a.M. Phone: +49 69 2556 1700 Map: https://www.ivgt.de/en/home/contact/how-to-find-us.html The room for the meeting is no. 110 on the first floor (ID Required) To walk from Heimtextil, use exit Festhalle, it will take about 15-minutes To use the S-Bahn from the Fair, use exit Torhaus and go two stations to Frankfurt Main Station (Hauptbahnhof), then walk 6 minutes. Join the meeting from your computer, tablet or smartphone. https://global.gotomeeting.com/join/
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AGENDA

1. 2:45 PM

Welcome and phone connection with DNFI Members attending via GoToMeeting.com

2. 3:10 PM

DNFI Award

- Presentation by Mr. Ernst Grimmelt and/or Mr. Matthias Anlauf, Velener Textil GmbH. "WECYCLED^{®."}
- Summary of their work, description of Velener Textil, and their views on how better to promote the award, encourage participation, and on the selection process.
- Discussion
- Decisions on the timeline and procedures for 2019

3. 4:00 PM

Short Reports (3 minutes each) Supply and Use in 2018, and the Outlook for 2019:

- Update on world natural fiber production and employment in 2016 & 2017: Terry Townsend
- Individual Fibre Reports
- Discussion
- 4. 4:30 PM

Calendar of DNFI Activities for 2019

DNFI conducted within-year meetings for the first time in 2018. Meetings were held on the margins of a cotton conference in Bremen in March, an industrial hemp congress in Cologne in June, and a sustainability conference in Chemnitz in September. Should within-year meetings be conducted in 2019? Who can attend, what will be the purposes of each meeting?

Potential venues:

- Venice, Italy, Tuesday 9 April 2019 during the IWTO 2019 Congress.
- Cologne, Germany, June 2019, EIHA
- Barcelona, Spain, 20-26 June 2019, ITMA
- Porto, Portugal, 1-3 July 2019, 4th International Conference on Natural Fibers (DNFI has been invited by the organizers to conduct a 2-hour session on natural fiber market developments)
- Porto, Portugal, 20-22 October 2019, ITMF Annual Conference
- Cologne, Germany, November 2019, Biocomposite Conference
- Other?

5. 5:00 PM

DNFI Web site

- Report from Stefan Schmidt on use and utility
- Discussion, suggestions for change, improvement
- 6. 5:15 PM

Election of a Vice Chair; confirmation of the Chair:

- Michael Carus has completed his 2-year term as Vice Chair, and his service is much appreciated. However, Michael will no longer manage the European Industrial Hemp Association, and therefore he does not wish to serve another term with DNFI. Accordingly, it will be necessary to elect a new Vice Chair. The Vice Chair supports the Chair in developing meeting agendas and setting policies and objectives as necessary between organizational meetings. In the absence of the Chair, the Vice Chair will chair meetings or lead discussions.
- Terry Townsend was elected to a two-year term as Chair in January 2018. He is willing to serve the second year of the term, with the understanding that this will be the last.
- 5:25 PM Date of the 2020 meeting Any other business
- 8. 5:30 PM Adjourn