



ITMF Annual Conference 2019
Porto/Portugal, October 20 – 22

**“Digitalization & Sustainability
–
Their Impact on the Global Textile Industry”**

Preliminary Conference Programme

(as of August 7, 2019)

SATURDAY, OCT. 19

07.30 – 15.30	Golf Tournament
15.00 – 19.00	Secretariat / Registration
16.00 – 17.30	Directors Meeting Directors of ITMF member associations, associate and corporate members - by invitation -
18.00 – 19.30	Young Entrepreneurs Meeting/Reception
19.30 – 22.00	Joint Dinner ITMF/ATP Board & ITMF Directors (Restaurant Porto Cruz) ITMF and Host Associations Office Bearers and Directors of ITMF member associations, associate and corporate members and speakers - by invitation -

SUNDAY, OCT. 20

08.30 – 19.00 Secretariat / Registration

08.30 – 10.00 **Spinners Committee Meeting**
- by invitation -

09.30 – 10.00 Coffee Break

10.30 – 12.00 **Joint Cotton Committee Meeting**
Chairman: Nick Earlam, Plexus, UK

12.00 – 13.00 Lunch

13.00 – 14.15 **Fibre Session – Cotton**

Moderator: Andrew Macdonald, ITMF Board Member, Brazil

- [Opportunities to Build Cotton Demand](#)
Gary Adams, CEO & President, National Cotton Council, USA
- [Sustainable Cotton in the Supply Chain - The Challenges and the Way Forward](#)
Kai Hughes, Managing Director, ICAC, USA
- [Transparency and Traceability, Why They Need to be Partners](#)
Jeff Elder, MD North America, Oritain Global Ltd., USA

Panel Discussion/Q&A

14.15 – 14.45 Coffee Break

14.45 – 16.00 **Fibre Session – Man-made Fibres**

- [Recycled Fibres Take on the Polyester Tsunami: Surfing the Wave or Drowning?](#)
Bruna Angel, Fibres Consultant, Wood Mackenzie, UK
- [Commitment to Improve](#)
Robert van de Kerkhof, CCO, Lenzing, Austria
- [Strategic Innovation in Fibres](#)
Uday Gill, CEO, Fibres Business, Indorama Ventures, Thailand

Panel Discussion/Q&A

16.00 – 16.30 Coffee Break

16.30 – 17.15 **Home Textiles Producers (HTP) Committee Meeting**
Chairman: Zhaohua Yang, CNATC, China

[Global Home Textile Market Outlook](#)
N.N., Fibre2Fashion, India

17.15 – 18.30 **Board Meeting (Part 1)**
- by invitation only -

19.15 – 23.00 **Welcome Dinner** (Palácio da Igreja Velha, Vermoim, Vila Nova de Famalicão)

MONDAY, OCT. 21

07.15 – 08.15 **Board Meeting (Part 2)**
- by invitation only –

08.30 – 19.00 Secretariat / Registration

09.00 – 10.00 **Welcome Session and Keynote Address**

- Mário Jorge Machado, President, ATP
- Kihak Sung, President, ITMF
- Pedro Siza Vieira, Minister of Economy, Portugal (tbc)

Keynote Address

Geo Politics of Globalization: How the World Has Changed and Why It Will Change Even More. Challenges for Textile Industry
Paulo Portas, Former Foreign Minister, Portugal

10.00 – 10.30 Coffee Break

10.30 – 12.00 **1st General Session: Textile Industry in Portugal & Europe**

Moderator: N.N.

- European Textile & Clothing Industry: The Future and the Role of EURATEX
Alberto Paccanelli, President, EURATEX
- Nuno Melo, Member of European Parliament
- European Textile Industry: Competitiveness New Drives and Challenges: Portugal as Case Study and Inspiration
Isabel Furtado, CEO, TMG Automotive & President, COTEC, Portugal

Panel Discussion and Q&A

12.00 – 12.30 **The Global Textile (Machinery) Market Situation**

Christian Schindler, ITMF

12.30 – 13.30 Lunch

13.30 – 14.15 **Presentations by Start-up Companies**

- Unravelling Supply Chain Complexity
Michaela Puddu, CEO, Haelixa AG, Switzerland
 - Blockchain Technology: How to Create Value for the Textile Industry
Amit Gautam, CEO & Founder, TextileGenesis, Hong Kong, China
 - Ina Budde, CEO, circular.fashion, Germany
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MONDAY, OCT. 21 (CONTINUED)

- 14.15 – 15.30 **2nd General Session: Digitalization and Sustainability: Shaping the Business Models of the Future – Part 1**
Moderator: Loek de Vries, ITMF Board Member, Netherlands
- Out of the Analogue Valley – Smart Factories from Concept to Implementation
Joachim Hensch, Managing Director, Hugo Boss Textile Industries, Turkey
 - Stefan Seidel, Head of Corporate Sustainability, PUMA SE, Germany (tbc)
- Panel Discussion and Q&A
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- 15.30 – 16.00 Coffee Break
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- 16.00 – 16.45 **2nd General Session: Digitalization and Sustainability: Shaping the Business Models of the Future – Part 2**
Moderator: Braz Costa, CITEVE, Portugal
- **World Café** – small groups of around 10 persons per table discuss the topic of the session in a structured way together with a moderator
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- 16.45 – 17.15 Coffee Break
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- 17.15 – 18.00 **2nd General Session: Digitalization and Sustainability: Shaping the Business Models of the Future – Part 3**
Moderator: Thomas Gries, ITA-Aachen, Germany
- Presentation of the Findings and Conclusions of the World Café-Session and Q&A
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- 19.30 – 22.30 **Gala Dinner** (Terminal de Cruzeiros do Porto)

TUESDAY, OCT. 22

08.00 – 12.00 Secretariat / Registration

08.00 – 08.45 **Fibres & Applications (F&A) Committee Meeting**

Chairman: Loek de Vries, Netherlands

- [Innovation in the Textile Apparel Value Chain](#)
Simon Whitmarsh-Knight, Hyosung, USA
 - [Technical Textiles – Trends, Potentials and Challenges](#)
Michael Jaenicke, Messe Frankfurt, Germany
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09.00 – 10.30 **3rd General Session: Textile Value Chain – Changing Sourcing Patterns**

Moderator: N.N.

- Garry Bell, VP, Gildan, Canada
- [Textile & Apparel Value Chain: China's Practice and Prospect](#)
Ruizhe Sun, Chairman, China National Textile & Apparel Council
- [Sourcing for More Sustainable Fashion](#)
Bernardo Cruza, Head of CSR, El Corte Ingles, Spain

Panel Discussion and Q&A

10.30 – 11.00 Coffee Break

11.00 – 12.00 **4th General Session: Textile Value Chain – Collaboration**

Moderator: N.N.

- Calvin Wooley, Global Supplier Development Leader, IKEA, Sweden
- N.N.

Panel Discussion and Q&A

12.00 – 13.00 **5th General Session: Technology & Innovation**

Moderator: Ana Roncha, London School of Fashion, UK

- [Fashion 4.0 – Digitalization Status Quo & Outlook](#)
Godecke Wessel, CEO, Foursource Group, Germany
- [Delivering the Value of Industry 4.0: Real World Lessons](#)
Stefan Hild, Managing Director, Ei3 & Cognitive Solutions, Switzerland

Panel Discussion and Q&A

13.00 – 13.45 **Presentations by Start-up Companies**

- Ali Elnawawi, Founder & CEO, Scarabaeus Sacer, Egypt
 - Reinaldo Costa Moreira, General Manager, Springkode, Portugal
 - [Smart Textile and Smart Networks in Wearables](#)
Ching-Feng Fan, Senior Consultant, Intelligence Textile Technology, Chinese Taipei
 - [World's First AI Tech Wear](#)
Jooyong Kim, CEO, Alphaclo, Korea Rep.
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13.45 – 14.00 **Invitation ITMF Annual Conference 2020**

14.00 – 14.45 Lunch

14.00 – 14.45 **Committee of Management Meeting** (incl. Lunch)

14.45 – 19.00 **Excursion to Guimarães**

14.45 – 15.30 Transfer to Guimarães

15.30 – 17.15 Visit of [Lameirinho](#) (Producer of Home Textiles)

17.15 – 18.30 Reception at the Town Hall of Guimarães

18.30 – 19.00 Return to the Hotel