



# ITMF Annual Conference 2022

Davos/Switzerland

September 18-20, 2022

**“Climate Change and a  
Sustainable Global Textile  
Value Chain”**

## Preliminary Conference Programme

(as of July 8<sup>th</sup>, 2022)

*by invitation  
open meeting*

### SATURDAY, SEP.17

09.30.00 – 19.00 Secretariat / Registration

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12.30 – 14.00 **Board Meeting**  
Board Members and Past Presidents  
- by invitation only -

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14.00 – 15.00 **International Committee on Cotton Testing Methods Meeting**  
Chairman: Axel Drieling, Bremen Fibre Institute (Germany)  
- by invitation only -

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15.15 – 16.15 **Directors Meeting**  
Directors of ITMF member associations, associate, and corporate members  
- by invitation only -

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16.30 – 17.45 **Spinners Committee Meeting**  
- by invitation only -

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19.30 – 22.00 **Joint Dinner ITMF/Swiss Textiles/Swiss Textile Machinery Board & ITMF Directors**  
ITMF and Host Associations Office Bearers and Directors of ITMF member associations, associate and corporate members and speakers  
- by invitation only -

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09.00 – 19.00 Secretariat / Registration

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09.00 – 10.15 **Recycling Session**

Moderator:

- **The road to fully biobased textiles in 2050: from better fibers to recycling – industrial challenges**  
Michiel Scheffer, Wageningen University & Research, The Netherlands
- **Interoperability of textile recycling methodologies and circuits**  
Pascal Denizart, CETI, France
- **Innovative polymer recycling technology**  
Torsten Wintergerste, Sulzer / Worn Again Technologies, Switzerland

Panel Discussion / Q&A

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10.15 – 10.45 Coffee Break

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10.45 – 11.45 **SLCP Session – Reducing audit fatigue through SLCP: the impact and benefits so far**

Moderator: Peter Gnägi, ITMF, Switzerland

- **What is the Social & Labor Convergence Program and why is it necessary?**  
Janet Mensink, SLCP, The Netherlands
- **Why should brands adopt SLCP? The benefits and learnings from Puma's perspective.**  
Veronique Rochet, Puma, Vietnam
- **Why should manufacturers implement SLCP? Explanations by SLN Moda**  
Nesrin Baser, SLN Moda, Turkey
- N.N., CNTAC, China

Panel Discussion / Q&A

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12.00 – 13.00 Lunch

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13.00 – 14.15 **Fibre Session – Cotton**

Moderator:

- **The current cotton world**  
Stephanie Silber, Bremen Cotton Exchange, Germany
- **Rebuilding value through authenticity**  
Marc Lewkowitz, Supima, USA
- **Sustainability as a mainstream strategy: the case of cotton production in Brazil**  
Marcelo Duarte Monteiro, ABRAPA, Brazil

Panel Discussion / Q&A

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14.15 – 14.45 Coffee Break

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14.45 – 16.15

**Fibre Session – Man-made Fibres**

Moderator: Uday Gill, Indorama, Thailand

- **Fibers and COVID-19 pandemic: path to recovery in an uncertain world**  
Alexei Sinitsa, Wood Mackenzie, Ukraine
- **Pursuing a circular economy**  
Eddie Ingle, Unifi, USA
- **Investing in polyester for a sustainable supply chain**  
Güven Kaya, SASA, Turkey
- **A bio-based climate positive man-made filament – an alternative to polyester**  
Carlo Centonze, HeiQ, Switzerland

Panel Discussion / Q&A

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16.15 – 16.30

Coffee Break

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16.30 – 17.15

**Home Textiles Producers (HTP) Committee Meeting**

Chairman:

- **Today's challenges & opportunities for a European home textile producer**  
Sebastian Ihling, Apelt, Germany
- **The IKEA material & manufacturing direction**  
Calvin Woolley, IKEA, Turkey

Panel Discussion / Q&A

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18.30 – 22.00

**Welcome Dinner**

Fuxägufer Restaurant, Jakobshorn, Davos

Dress-Code: Casual

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08.00 – 19.00 Secretariat / Registration

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09.00 – 10.30 **Welcome Session & Keynote Address**

- Carl Illi, President, Swiss Textiles
- Ernesto Maurer, President, Swiss Textile Machinery
- Ruizhe Sun, President, CNTAC & ITMF

**Keynote Address**

**Between cheap, aspirational, and sustainable – textile manufacturing in a fully disruptive and interconnected world**

David Bosshart, Philosopher, Futurist, Retail & Consumer Analyst, Switzerland

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10.30 – 11.00 Coffee Break

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11.00 – 12.15 **1<sup>st</sup> General Session: Textile (Machinery) Industry in Switzerland**

Moderator: Giuseppe Gherzi, Gherzi, Switzerland

- **Spinning recycled fibres – mastering the short fibre challenge**  
Norbert Klapper, Rieter, Switzerland
- **About niches and blacknose sheep**  
Andreas Christen, Lantal, Switzerland
- **Sustainability at Sefar**  
Renato Luck, Sefar, Switzerland

Panel Discussion / Q&A

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12.15 – 12.30 **The EU Textile Strategy 2030 – targets and implications for the global textile industry**

Dirk Vantghem, Euratex, Belgium

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12.30 – 13.30 Lunch

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13.30 – 14.15

**Start-up Session**

Moderator: Loek de Vries, Bombyx, The Netherlands

- Selected in June 2022 (Application deadline April 30<sup>th</sup>, 2022)
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14.15 – 14.30

**An update from the “Fashion Industry Charter for Climate Action”**

Stefan Seidel, Puma, Germany

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14.30 – 15.45

**2<sup>nd</sup> General Session: Sustainability & Circularity: Business Models of the Future – Part 1**

Moderator:

- **Next generation textile industry = sustainability + digitalization + individual business models**  
Thomas Gries, ITA Aachen, Germany
- **Sustainable innovation at adidas**  
Jan Hill, Adidas, Germany
- **Systemic changes in the textile value chain: EU policy ambition and business initiatives**  
Mauro Scalia, Euratex, Belgium

Panel Discussion / Q&A

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15.45 – 16.15

Coffee Break

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16.15 – 17.00

**2<sup>nd</sup> General Session: Sustainability & Circularity: Business Models of the Future – Part 2**

Moderator:

- **World Café** - group discussions and individual participation in an online survey
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17.00 – 17.15

Coffee Break

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17.15 – 17.45

**2<sup>nd</sup> General Session: Sustainability & Circularity: Business Models of the Future – Part 3**

Moderator:

Presentation of the Findings and Conclusions of the World Café-Session and Q&A

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19.30 – 23.30

**Gala Dinner**

Hotel Morosani Schweizerhof, Davos

Dress-Code: Formal/National Dress

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08.00 – 12.00 Secretariat / Registration

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08.30 – 09.15 **Fibres & Applications (F&A) Committee Meeting**

Chairman: Loek de Vries, Bombyx, The Netherlands

- **How natural fibres offer sustainable and high-performance solutions from sport to mobility**  
Christian Fischer, Bcomp, Switzerland
- **SEAQUAL initiative – together for a clean ocean**  
Mark Hartnell, Seaqual, Spain

Panel Discussion / Q&A

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10.00 – 10.30 Coffee Break

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10.30 – 12.00 **4<sup>th</sup> General Session: Textile Value Chain – Collaboration**

Moderator:

- **Scaling sustainable innovations through collaboration**  
Martin Ekenbark, H&M, Sweden
- **From rags to new robes: collaborating to make textile circularity an everyday reality**  
Petri Alava, Infinited Fiber, Finland
- **The Archroma way to a sustainable world**  
Marcos Furrer, Archroma, Switzerland
- **The road to scope 3 cooperation: how to find solutions together in the textile and garment value chain**  
Ignacio Sierra, Tendam, Spain

Panel Discussion / Q&A

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12.00 – 12.30 **ITMF Awards Session**

Moderator: Mr. Juan Pares, Textil Santanderina, Spain

- Winner of the Innovation & Sustainability Award
- Winner of the International Cooperation Award

Panel Discussion / Q&A

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12.30 – 12.45 **Invitation to the next ITMF Annual Conference**

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12.45 – 13.45 Lunch

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12.45 – 13.45 **Committee of Management Meeting** (incl. lunch) - by invitation only -

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