



Natural Fibres Steering Committee Meeting

ORGANIZATIONAL DETAILS

DATE:	WEDNSDAY, 10 TH JANUARY 2024 (DURING HEIMTEXTIL TRAUD FAIR 2024)
TIME:	3:00 PM TO 5:30 PM (CENTRAL EUROPEAN TIME GMT+1)
VENUE:	<p>INDUSTRIEVERBAND VEREDLUNG - GARNE - GEWEBE - TECHNISCHE TEXTILIEN E.V. (IVGT) Mainzer Landstr. 55 60329 Frankfurt a.M. / Germany</p> <p>Phone: +49 69 2556 1700 Map: https://ivgt.info/download/8313/</p> <p><u>Mandatory registration to participate, virtually and in person:</u></p> <p>The room for the meeting is no. 108 on the 1st floor (ID Required)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 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. <p>Join the meeting from your computer, smartphone or tablet via Microsoft® Teams. The link will be sent to your email after your registration at:</p> <p>https://dnfi.org/dnfi-annual-meeting-2024 (no password is required)</p>

AGENDA

(ALL TIMES ARE FOR FRANKFURT, CENTRAL EUROPEAN TIME GMT +1)

(THE MEETING MIGHT BE RECORDED FOR THE PURPOSE OF COMPOSING MINUTES. THE RECORDING WILL NOT BE PUBLISHED AND WILL BE DELETED ONCE THE MINUTES ARE COMPLETE)

2:30 PM

Arriving of Attendees at IVGT offices (please register at the reception of the building)

2:45 PM

Establish internet connections with DNFI Members attending via the link send by email to everyone registered.

3:00 PM

Welcome and introductions: Elke Hortmeyer, Chair DNFI

Introduction of Ms Amelie Pörschmann, winner of the 2023 DNFI Innovation Award

3:10 PM

Natural Fibres Reports (3-5 minutes each):

- World natural fiber production, value and employment: Dr. Terry Townsend
 - World economic outlook and implications for fibre markets: Dr. Dawit Kelemework Mekonnen, John Baffes, The World Bank
 - Natural Fibre Activities in FAO, ElMamoun Amrouk
 - Individual Fibre Reports
 - a. Cotton, USDA 10-year projections: Graham Soley
 - b. Flax, trends in production and use: Damien Durand
 - c. Hemp, trends in production and use: Francesco Mirrizi
 - d. Jute & Sisal, factors influencing trade: Thomas Bressler & Oliver Reimer-Wollenweber
 - e. Wool, trends in production and use: Dalena White, IWTO
 - Discussion
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4:30 PM

DNFI Business Meeting

- Election of Officers
 - a. Elke Hortmeyer, Director of International Relations and Communication, Bremen Cotton Exchange, was elected to a two-year term in 2022 to serve as Chair of DNFI during 2022 and 2023. She is willing to serve a second two-year term beginning in 2024.
 - b. Dalena White was elected to a two-year term as Vice Chair in 2023. She is willing to serve the second year of her two-year term during 2024.
 - c. Other nominations will be accepted.
- Calendar of DNFI Activities for 2024:
- DNFI Web site
 - a. Report from Stefan Schmidt on use and utility
 - b. Discussion, suggestions for change, improvement
- Date and Place of the 2025 DNFI meeting
- Any other business

5:30 PM

Adjourn

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