

2. Innovation Forum

Rethinking the Textile Industry - Shaping the Future!

Webinar for companies, development agencies,
municipalities, scientists and students

11th May 2021 from 5:00 - 6:30 pm

Online via ZOOM¹

The textile and clothing industry has undergone dramatic structural change in recent decades. Nevertheless, the entire textile chain - from raw materials to the finished garment or textile product - is still present in the region and with the intensive use of the circular economy the textile sector can take over the innovation leadership in the euregio rhine-meuse-north.

The second "Innovation Forum" exemplifies how innovative euregional companies and a university of applied sciences can support and drive a textile-company's innovation process.

Firstly, Frans Beckers, founder and owner of the dutch company FBBasic, shows how a company can support and drive the innovation process, in particular in connection with the concept of circular economy.

Secondly, Laura Kunze, project manager of the german company imat uve gmbh reports on a cross-border project on mixed fibre recycling.

Finally, Prof. Dr. Rabe, head of the Research Institute for Textiles and Clothing (FTB), will give a keynote speech on the topic of "Rethinking the textile industry - shaping the future!".

Join our digital event on 11th May 2021!

Please register by clicking the following link:

> 05:00 -06:30 pm

After registration, you will receive a confirmation email with information about participating in the event.²

Participation in the event is free of charge.

Agenda

- 4:45 - 5:00 pm **Sound and Video Check**
- 5:00 - 5:10 pm **Welcome**
Prof. Dr. Angelika Krehl (NIERS/Hochschule Niederrhein)
- 5:10 - 5:30 pm **Euregional Innovation Leadership in the Textile Circular Economy?**
Frans Beckers (FBBasic)
- 5:30 - 5:50 pm **Best Practice -Interreg Project on Mixed Fiber Recycling**
Laura Kunze (imat-uve gmbh)
- 5:50 - 6:15 pm **Rethinking the Textile Industry - Shaping the Future!**
Prof. Dr. Maike Rabe (FTB/Hochschule Niederrhein)
- 6:15 - 6:30 pm **Questions**
- 6:30 pm **Closing Statement**

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