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Techtera renews its Gold Label: Fine recognition of our work within Europe!

The ECEI (*European Cluster Excellence Initiative*) Label, issued by the ESCA (*European Secretariat for Cluster Analysis*), attests to the **documented commitment to continuous improvement**.

Out of more than 2,000 European clusters, to date, **only 19 out of 130 innovation clusters have received the Gold Label in Europe**, including three in France. **Techtera is the only European cluster dedicated to the textile sector to receive this award.**

The audit, carried out by two neutral experts, covers 31 indicators, making it possible to verify the level of excellence in terms of management, strategy, financing, services and organisation; also, efficiency and the strong European dimension. The diagnosis and assessment are then studied by the Cluster Excellence Expert Group (CEEG) made up of thirty professionals from ten European countries.

This fourth renewal of the Gold Label is **a strong message of recognition of the entire team's work**; real motivation to maintain continuous improvement at the heart of the association's strategy. It is also a powerful tool for attracting industrial organisations, research and training centres and European authorities, in the service of projects for the French textile industry.

They are members



SATAB

Satab, **French and European leader in narrow textiles**, is an independent family company, which **creates, weaves, braids and knits**: ribbons, braids, straps, bindings and other narrow textile articles.

Satab offers a complete range of technical webbing for the personal protective equipment market and proposes unlimited customisation of its products for its clients. These articles also find their application in technical clothing, industrial and medical requirements.

The company has a **production capacity of 5 million metres per week**; and **distributes its products in 72 countries**.

Satab recently launched “Eweave” – a Made-In-France global system, combining smart textiles and a connected service unique in the world. This system provides a detection, protection and prevention service for professionals.

Website: <https://www.satab.com/>



HOWA TRAMICO

With more than **50 years of experience**, Howa Tramico **manufactures and transforms thermoformed foam**, made in different colours and in various shapes (blocks, rolls, sheets).

Whether complexed, impregnated, transformed, cut or with adhesive, the chemistry of this foam will be adjusted to give it the desired characteristics.

A major player in the automotive industry, Howa Tramico is involved in the development of interior trim, sealing and sound insulation. The group is the partner of major automobile manufacturers. Howa Tramico also develops technical products for aeronautics, medical, military and shipbuilding.

Its production reaches 6,000 tons of foam per year.

Website: <https://howa-tramico.fr/>

Your appointments with the cluster

September 18-21, 2022: ITMC Conference – Smart Textiles Conference - MONTREAL – CANADA

Techtera is attending the ITMC 2022 Conference in Canada. **Corinne Farace, General Delegate of Techtera**, will be **the major speaker**. She will present one of the opening speeches on the theme “**The collaborative approach: a major issue to meet tomorrow’s challenges**”.

Intelligent Textiles and Mass Customisation (ITMC) 2022 is an international conference destined for the various branches, topics and subjects linked to the **textile industry**.

The aim of the conference is to explore new ideas, efficient solutions and working partnerships for business growth by catalysing the creation of beneficial joint effort between designers, manufacturers, suppliers and end users of all sectors - and fully exploit this potential!

Website: <https://www.itmc2022.com/>

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October 10 to 14, 2022: EU-ALLIANCE: Security and defence trade mission

– WASHINGTON – USA

The mission will take place in Washington, on the sidelines of the AUSA convention (Association of the United States Army).

This is the largest land-defence event in North America, which brings together 700 exhibitors and contractors. Visitors also have access to numerous conferences allowing them to better understand the challenges and opportunities concerning the American defence market.

This mission will also be an opportunity to discover the State of Maryland; a very rich and active ecosystem in the defence and security sectors.

Programme co-financed by the European Union's COSME programme.

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October 17 to 21, 2022: REC-N-COMP: Exploratory mission concerning sustainable composites – CALIFORNIA – USA

The mission will take place from October 17 to 21, 2022 in California on the sidelines of the CAMX tradeshow.

The project will develop efficient and economically-realistic processes, adapted to the specificities of the two value chains. It will give **European industry the means to control and implement its patented processes for manufacturing recycled materials.**

Programme co-financed by the European Union's COSME programme.

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October 18-19, 2022: French – Swedish Research Days - BORAS – SWEDEN

Techtera is a partner of the French – Swedish Research Days event.

On the programme: two days of meetings at research and industry level, focused on textiles. The main areas of innovation: smart textiles, the circular economy and the industry of the future.

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November 3-4, 2022: PERFORMANCE DAYS Show (Textiles for Sport) - MUNICH - GERMANY

“Performance Days” is a trade fair dedicated to textiles for applications in the sports sector. With its **focus on sustainability**, it has established itself as the major event in the sector.

After a two-year interruption, the April 2022 edition broke the show’s attendance record, confirming its status as an event not to be missed.

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June 8-14, 2023: ITMA 2023 - the Textile Technology Event - MILAN - ITALY

For the second time, Techtera will be a partner of ITMA, an event held every four years, dedicated to **machines and technologies for textiles and clothing**.

With a global audience welcoming key decision makers from the **world's largest textile and clothing producers and owners of major brands**, ITMA is the place to meet suppliers of textile technology systems and equipment. It is also the place to gather market intelligence and forge partnerships.

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Life of the members



GammaO: winner of the Worth II Programme - development of sustainable and inclusive living environments

Member of Techtera since its creation, it is thanks to support from the Cluster that GammaO is the winner of the European Worth II Programme. This call for proposals is dedicated to the principles of the New European Bauhaus initiative, which aims to develop more sustainable, inclusive and beautiful living environments; principles fully in line with the values of GammaO. This programme, which aims to foster transnational and transdisciplinary teamwork between designers and tech start-ups, will allow GammaO to finance and produce a first industrial prototype within 10 months.

This first product will be a jacket dedicated to the world of running. It integrates triboelectric electrodes as well as electronic devices - designed with the aim of facilitating the runner's practice of the sport.

Website: <https://www.gammao.fr/>



Chamatex opens its capital to Yotta Capital to accelerate its development

Chamatex, the specialist in technical textiles, (280 employees; €35 million turnover in 2021), is consolidating its financial resources to accelerate its innovation and internationalisation strategy by opening up its capital to Yotta Capital.

The capital increase of €5 million will allow the manager, Gilles Réguillon, to “double the production capacity of the ASF 4.0 factory, making it possible to aim for one million pairs of shoes produced per year within 5 years”; strengthen and modernise the industrial resources of its various sites; supply the large shoe assembly factories located in Southeast Asia by setting up “a unit in Vietnam specialising in the production of Matryx technical textiles”; and also to “carry out several external growth operations to strengthen the Group’s industrial expertise in key business sectors”.

Website: <https://chamatex.net/>



Another EcoVadis Platinum Medal for Marck & Balsan!

For the second consecutive year, Marck & Balsan has won the Platinum Medal, the highest recognition, with a score of 76/100; thus, maintaining its position in the top 1% of companies assessed in its sector.

This external rating recognises the commitments and concrete actions implemented by everyone working with Marck & Balsan.

Website: <https://www.marcketbalsan.fr/en/marckbalsan/>

Calls for projects

EUROPEAN AND INTERNATIONAL CALLS FOR PROJECTS

Horizon Europe

More information: [here](#)

European Defence Fund

More information: [here](#)

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CART'TEX

Call for applications for the CART'TEX chart (reserved for TECHTERA members)

Textile companies wishing to join "CART'TEX", the chart of textile skills created by TECHTERA, can make themselves known to Bruno MOUGIN.

The CART'TEX database is the daily tool of the cluster for managing the search for partners for all projects, and for the response to business opportunities.

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