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## PRESS RELEASE

**EuroBoosTEX – First call for proposals with 150k€ to support European textile SMEs is open.**

**EuroBoosTEX Joint European initiative in Textile Industry for Europe's recovery boosting digital and green transition launched the 1<sup>st</sup> call, Individual Innovate Boost Grant on April 3rd 2023 with a total budget of 150k€ to support European textile SMEs and will close on June 7th, 2023, at 17h CEST.**

### **Next call to help you to finance your textile transition**

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An infoday has been organised to present the call and to explain how to submit a proposal. See the complete session of Infoday: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=FV7oS2XVgIU>

**The 1st call will be closed next 7<sup>th</sup> June**, with one week to evaluate the proposals and publish the final list of participants at the end of the month:

- Evaluation meeting will be held on 9<sup>th</sup> of June
- The final result of the evaluation of the applicants of the first call will be published on 27<sup>th</sup> of June.

**The second call will be launch on September 6th and close on November 8<sup>th</sup>.**

It will be focused on textile companies and partners from the advanced manufacturing sector to cover the digitalization part.

One of the companies must be a textile company, but has the option of being part of a consortium with other companies that can foster and promote digitalisation or ecological transition in the textile sector.

**Individual voucher** will be offered to develop resilience plans and innovate with new-to-firm products or services and boost projects in consortia to uptake green and digital technologies.

Nearly 50 textile SMEs from the European Union can benefit from individual services and participate in consortia and international projects.

### **2 webinars to help European companies better tackle the green and digital transition**

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The **first webinar** was organized end of march by ATEVAL. It was dedicated to green technologies in textile chemical, mechanical and bio recycling.

**The webinar featured the following topics:**

- Current state of the textile industry: Global market trends and environmental aspects;
- Recycling technologies: Technical aspects, level maturity, challenges, and limitations;
- Biopolymers: Global market trends and recent developments.

This webinar was presented by Aidé Gaona, Director of R&D projects related to the chemical recycling of textile waste (PET and cotton) and the development of fibers mainly from biopolymers, PLA and PHA from AITEX (the R&D center of Valencia).



**Second webinar, organized by NTT, dealt with the following two topics:**

- Why Smart Textiles are not a dumb idea?
- Sustainability in the training of new fashion and textile designers

See the replay: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=a9u0-LWht9k>

## Framework and consortium

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The consortium is made up of 5 partners from 4 countries: [ATEVAL](#) (Spain) as project coordinator, [AEI textile](#) (Spain), [CITEVE](#) (Portugal), [NTT](#) (Italy) and [TECHTERA](#) (France).



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