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The textile sector in Europe

Top EU producers:
- Italy produces 42% of all clothes made in the EU.
- 25% of all technical textile produced in Germany.
- 27% of EU carpets are produced in Belgium.
- Spain is the second largest exporter of clothes.
The textile sector in Europe

Small & medium enterprises are at the core of the industry

Women represent more than 70% of all employees in the sector

Member States’ share in total EU28, 2013

TOP 10

= 89% of total EU turnover

VOICE OF THE EUROPEAN APPAREL AND TEXTILE INDUSTRY
The textile manufacturing area of Prato (Italy)

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<th>Year 2018</th>
<th>Number of Enterprises</th>
<th>Number of Workers</th>
<th>Total production value (M€)</th>
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<td>Textile sector</td>
<td>2.555</td>
<td>18.660</td>
<td>4.000</td>
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<td>Apparel and knitwear</td>
<td>4.250</td>
<td>23.506</td>
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<td>Total</td>
<td>6.805</td>
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Source: ACIMIT
The Tuscany Fashion Cluster

Collaborative activities and R&D diffusion among 450 members (mainly) companies in the fashion sector of the Tuscany territory.

- Strengthen the regional technology transfer.
- Support R&D collaborative activities for new sustainable technologies, new products and services.
- Capacity building.
- Internationalisation.
3 tools to make innovation happen

Daily cooperation with enterprises
Set up pre-industrial prototypes

Constant needs analysis and innovation push
New joint R&D projects generation

Testing and quality systems
The European projects portfolio
• REC-N-COMP: European recycled materials based composites and end-of-life products processing technologies go international

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✓ PGM - POLSKA GRUPA MOTORYZACYJNA (Poland)
✓ CLUSTER LEGNO ARREDO E SISTEMA CASA FVG (Italy)
✓ FLANDERS MAKE (Belgium)
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