



NEWS

- **POSITION PAPER ON FUTURE EU RESEARCH & INNOVATION POLICIES:** In response to the EC consultation on the Green Paper on future EU Research & Innovation Policies, the Technology Platform is currently finalising a joint position paper reflecting the views of the textile industry and its research community. Individual responses to the EC consultation are still possible and highly encouraged until 20 May. The online consultation is available at http://ec.europa.eu/research/csfri/index_en.cfm?pg=questionnaire
- **SEVERAL NEW TEXTILE PROJECTS TO BE FUNDED UNDER 2011 CALLS OF FP7:** The 2011 calls of FP7 (launched in July 2010) have now been evaluated resulting in the final selection of some 5-6 new projects and the pre-selection (stage 1) of another about 10-12 proposals, of which one half may still be approved for funding. This makes last year one of the most fruitful and successful in terms of new textile project funding in FP7. The next round of calls is expected in July, unfortunately with less direct scope for textile research
- **2ND CROSSTEXNET CALL OPEN:** The CrossTexNet ERA-Net launched its second call in March. 11 funding agencies from 8 countries participate. Submission deadline is 31 May. Further info at www.crosstexnet.eu. Also the cross-sectoral ERA-Nets CORNET and ERA-SME have calls open closing on 30 September. Further information at www.cornet-era.net.



EVENTS

- **SUCCESSFUL ANNUAL PUBLIC ETP CONFERENCE ON 31 MARCH-1 APRIL IN BRUSSELS:** This year's conference entitled "Societal Challenges—Textile Solutions" showcased how innovative and to the general public often completely unknown textile-based products help finding solutions to major societal needs such as energy supply & efficiency, food & water supply & safety, affordable healthcare, sustainable cities & mobility etc. In addition the Technology Platform's positions on the future EU research, innovation and education policies and programmes as well as the achievements of collaborations with other European Technology Platforms were presented.
- **ETP AND SEVERAL EU PROJECTS JOINTLY EXHIBIT AT TECHTEXTIL-TEXPROCESS FAIR, 24-27 MAY 2011, FRANKFURT:** At a joint stand with Euratex and the Technology Platform, the **EnviroTexDesign, ModSim-Tex and Open Garments** projects will present their results. The booth is located in Hall 6.0, A 80.
- **EC CONFERENCE ON FUTURE RESEARCH & INNOVATION POLICIES, 10 JUNE 2011, BRUSSELS:** At this event the EC will share its first assessment of the results of the Green Paper consultation and should give further hints about the content and structure of the future programme—working title "Common Strategic Framework for Research & Innovation (CSFRI)". The formal EC proposal for CSFRI is expected for end of November 2011. Conference registration at http://ec.europa.eu/research/csfri/index_en.cfm?pg=events
- **PROJECT EVENTS:** The **PROsumer.NET** project a collaboration between 5 ETP's coordinated by the Textile ETP will start on 1 June. On 22 June it will organise its first public workshop. The **Servive & Open Garments** projects will jointly organise their final event on 30-31 May in Berlin. The projects are focussed on new technologies and business models for customisation of fashion. For more information and event registration visit www.cyo2011.com.



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