







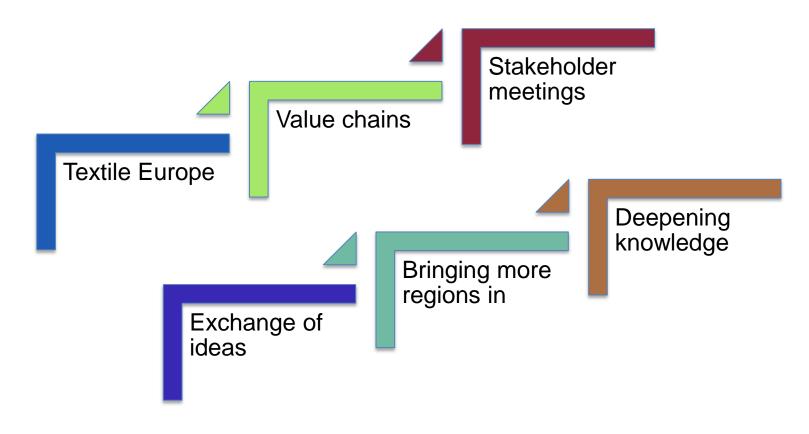
ReTextile Europe

- finding common areas of interest in innovative textiles partnership

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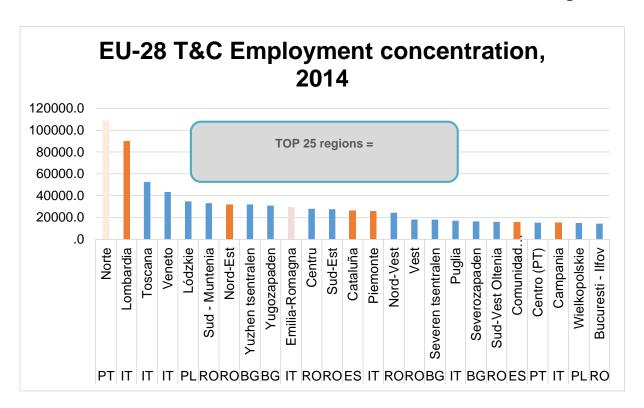


How we can start?



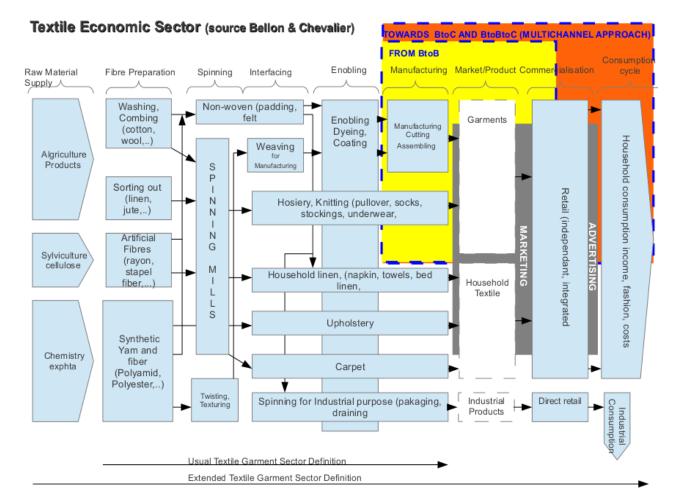


Textile sector in Europe





Textile value chain











Proportion of

Areas of application for technical textiles are very diverse

| | Sub-sector | Area of application | Examples of products | global sales 2010 in % |
|-------------|--------------------|---|---|---------------------------|
| | Agrotech | Agriculture and forestry, horticulture, fishing | Crop protection and weed control fabric, biogas membranes, safety nets, ropes | 7 |
| Areas | Buildtech | Building construction, civil engineering, renovation | Insulation materials, membranes, reinforcement materials, cables, ropes | 7 |
| of | Clothtech | Shoe and clothing industry | Filler/lining materials, insoles, weatherproof and waterproof membranes | 6 |
| | Geotech | Geotextiles, horticulture, agriculture, roads, storage, dyke construction | Drainage, separators, filters, erosion protection materials, reinforcement | 1 |
| application | Hometech | Furniture industry, interiors | Furniture coverings, filler materials, ceiling, wall and floor coverings | 7 |
| | Indutech | Filtration, other products | Conveyor belts, separators/filters, cables, ropes, straps | 17 |
| | Medtech Medtech | Hygiene and other medical products | Dressing materials, artificial limbs, orthoses, wound applications, implants (artificial vessels, tapes, hernia meshes) | 7 |
| | Mobiltech | Vehicle construction | Tyre cords, seat covers, airbags, safety belts, interiors | 23 |
| | Oekotech | Environmental protection | Emissions filters, protection fleeces | 1 |
| | Packtech | Packaging materials | Sacks, bags, tarpaulin, Bigbags | 5 |
| | Protech | Protection for personnel and equipment (buildings, vehicles) | Safety/protective clothing, climate/fire protection materials, ballistic protection | 5 |
| | Sporttech | Components for sport and leisure products and clothing | Tarpaulin, rucksacks, sleeping bags, sailcloth, lightweight materials | 15 |

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Regional and national specializations





Possible approaches too cooperation

- Value chain approach: connecting disjointed European value chains –in order to create new synergies and links between European textile and clothing manufacturers
- Innovation and R&D: introduction of new materials, advanced processes and manufacturing systems – connecting high value added regions with supplier regions with lower technological capability to create dependable and highly specialized supplier networks and reduce cost of production and transport
- Modernisation of old textile regions improving infrastructure and skills to take part in the restructuring of the industry and find new applications and market niches.



Thank you

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