

EuroBoosTEX newsletter

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Cascade funding for direct support to European textile SMEs

EuroBoosTEX has received funding from the SMP program under the Grant Agreement 101074671.

It operates with a total budget of €1.4 million, of which €1.05 million is directly dedicated to supporting textile SMEs in the European Union.

EuroBoosTEX has launched 3 calls for proposals since the start of the project.

Overall, nearly 50 winners are granted fundings to develop resilience plans and innovate with new products or services for businesses, and to stimulate projects in consortia to adopt green and digital technologies.

EuroBoosTEX partners at EuroClusters conference, May 2024



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Learn about the results achieved



About the 2nd call for proposals

The scope of the 2nd call was to foster the adoption of processes and technologies by SMEs; through small newly conceived pilots, to support greater sustainability and/or connectivity in their value chain.

It was launched on September 6th 2023 with deadline on November 8th 2023.

A lump sum of €60,000 per project, i.e. €30,000 per SME, has been allocated to the winners.



Fostering collaborative innovation projects

This call required the projects to emanate from partnerships, either between two textile SMEs or with an Advanced Manufacturing SME.

Over 40 applications

After the evaluation, the consortium selected 12 proposals among 40 eligible received from 10 countries (Spain, France, Netherlands, Italy, Portugal, Slovenia, Belgium, Romania, Bulgaria, Germany).





Learn about the results achieved [1/6]





Led by TRITURATS LA CANYA With Augusto Bellini, s.l.

Setting new standards in Textile Sustainability

This project set a new standard for sustainability by using photoluminescent tracers and digital twin technology, ensuring traceability from fiber production to final product.

EuroBoosTEX grant enabled the team to meet new regulatory demands, boosting the credibility of the textile industry in addressing greenwashing and contributing to a greener future.

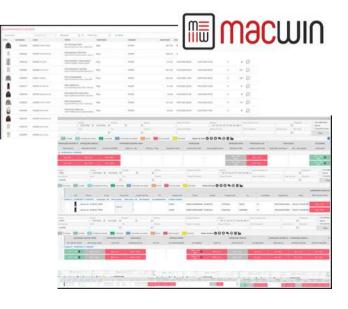
The project enhanced the market position of participants, marking a significant step toward ecofriendly textiles.







Malhas Queirogalda.



Digital Transition



Led by Malhas Queigora With Macwin-Tek, LDA

Streamlining Textile Processes Through Digital Innovation

This project developed process control software that streamlines operations across all company departments.

Through EuroBoosTEX, the new digital management system improved metrics and decision-making, eg for planning and monitoring, preparing the company for future challenges and boosting overall efficiency.



Learn about the results achieved [2/6]





By Hilaturas Ferre with Recover Textile Systems S.L.

Advancing Post-Consumer Waste Recycling in Fashion

The PCW2Fashion project focused on developing innovative PCW yarns for circular retail programs.

EuroBoosTEX facilitated breakthroughs in postconsumer waste (PCW) recycling, with successful spinning trials for white PCW fibers.

The project also enabled to create a comprehensive PCW yarn catalogue whilst identifying challenges related to collection and sorting, driving innovation in circular fashion.



2nd call











Led by POLISILK, S.A. With Sensing Tex S.L.

Smart Textile Technology for Enhanced Horse Welfare

The collaboration between POLISILK and Sensing Tex resulted in a smart horse pad that improves equine care by providing realtime data on movement and posture.

With the support of EuroBoosTEX, this market-ready product is now setting a new standard in the equestrian industry, highlighting the value of advanced technology and animal welfare.



Learn about the results achieved [3/6]





Led by MLS Textiles With DIM Technologies

Pioneering Sustainable Textile Production Through Technology

By integrating eco-design and digital tools like Virtual Reality and Digital Twins, this project reduced production times by 30%, lowered material waste, and minimized environmental impact.

EuroBoosTEX contributed to enable the project's rapid implementation, positioning the participants as leaders in sustainable textile production.















Led by PAFIL - Confecções LDA With TECH4MED

Pioneering Sustainable Textile Production Through Technology

This project's breakthrough in eco-friendly flame-retardant textiles was supported by EuroBoosTEX, which provided key R&D funding.

With the project's completion, the innovative additive is on track for commercial success, bringing together agroforestry and textiles for a biodegradable, natural solution to flame resistance.



Learn about the results achieved [4/6]





Creating a Circular, Recyclable Rugby Sock

With EuroBoosTEX's support, NOOSA and NOLT developed the first fully recyclable circular rugby sock.

After three months of testing with rugby clubs, the sock was successfully recycled into new, virgin-quality fibers, demonstrating the potential for endless reusability.

The project created a new model for circularity in the sportswear sector.

















Led by Aznar Textil S.L. With Himiesa

High-Performance Outdoor Fabrics with Environmental Benefits

Aznar Textil and Himiesa introduced innovative outdoor fabrics with air-purifying properties thanks to EuroBoosTEX support.

These fabrics maintain color fastness and durability while also reducing air pollution, creating an ecofriendly option for outdoor applications.

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Learn about the results achieved [5/6]



Reducing the energy footprint of textile and tannery felts

EuroBoosTEX enabled ENERGIENCY to reduce the energy footprint of three non-woven product lines through enhanced monitoring systems.

Gas consumption was reduced, and prototypes are now undergoing testing, offering significant ecological and financial benefits.







Technoplants







Transforming Textile Waste Sorting with Hyperspectral Analysis

Thanks to EuroBoosTEX, Technoplants and Trafi Creatività Tessile developed an automatic system using hyperspectral analysis and machine learning to sort textile waste.

This innovation has revolutionized waste processing, improving work conditions and facilitating textile recycling for a more circular economy.



Learn about the results achieved [6/6]



Led by Bromas-Log S.R.L. With Kinema CNC S.R.L.

Advancing Textile Machinery with Improved Tension Control

The EuroBoosTEX-supported C.DB8 project led to the development of a creel system with advanced thread tension control.

This innovation significantly reduced scrap production, improved product quality, and set a new industry standard for textile machinery.

















Smart Platform for LCA Management

Led by Malhas Queigora

Automating Carbon Footprint Monitoring in Textiles

This project developed a digital solution for realtime monitoring of energy consumption during textile production.

EuroBoosTEX accelerated the integration of this platform, allowing Tearfil to automate its carbon footprint calculations and move toward the development of Digital Product Passports and Environmental Product Declarations, positioning the company for international market growth.





About the 3rd call for proposals

The goal of this call is to enable 15 European textile SMEs to discover or strengthen market opportunities by organising an exploratory mission to Australia.

It was launched on May 15th 2024 with deadline on July 17th 2024.

A lump sum of €12,000 per company is to be allocated to the winners.



Australia Opportunities

This initiative is geared towards empowering SMEs to thrive in an increasingly interconnected and competitive business environment.

This call aims to support SMEs in expanding their operations internationally, particularly by providing them with opportunities to enter the Australian market.

By facilitating access to the Australian market, SMEs can overcome regional value chain disruptions and strengthen their position in the global marketplace.

Upcoming exploratory mission

4th to 8th of November 2024

The consortium of EuroBoosTEX partners will be visiting Sydney, Canberra, and Melbourne to establish connections and explore opportunities for European textile SMEs.

The visit will include discussions with research facilities, and organizations such as the Centre of Excellence in Sustainable Fashion & Textile. Meetings with industry leaders and visits to research facilities, textile institutes, and advanced fiber clusters are also planned.



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