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The Enterprise Europe Network

Internazionalization In Action, build, Grow & Thrive Worldwide

Helping our Network achieve the quality our clients deserve





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About me...

- Project and Public relations Manager, International Relations with stakeholders/enterprises' ecosystems and Institutions, business advisor for entrepreneurs and SMEs at global level.
- International Business Advisor & Project Manager Unioncamere Piemonte, (Regional Union of the Chambers of commerce of Piedmont Region)
- Dynamic and results-oriented International Business Advisor & Project Manager at Unioncamere Piemonte, (Regional Union of the Chambers of commerce of Piedmont Region)
- + 14 years of experience supporting SMEs and entrepreneurs in internationalization, innovation, and market expansion within my organization that is member of the Enterprise Europe Network (the international network that supports SMEs to grow and to develop globally.
- Recognized leader in the creative industries, particularly in textiles and fashion, with a proven track record in project management, stakeholder engagement, and European funding programs, management of international brokerage events.
- Skilled in fostering international collaborations and driving strategic initiatives for sustainable growth.
- Chair of the EEN Sector Group Textiles
- Co-chair at Thematic Group Internationalization
- Newcomers and Client' Journey Trainer within the Network



Helping SMEs Go Global

- The **Piedmont Chamber system** supports the processes of internationalization of the regional economy, **based on the belief that the competitiveness** of the territory **depends on its level of international projection**: the volume of foreign trade exchanges, the ability to attract cross-border investments, and the degree of business participation in European and transnational projects.
- Unioncamere Piemonte is a **partner of several European networks** that support businesses by facilitating the **promotion of local excellence abroad** and the creation of international collaborations, as well as enhancing business competitiveness through services focused on innovation, internationalization, sustainability, and digitalization.
- Enterprise Europe Network
- ETP European Technology Platform for the future of textile and clothing

Through these internationalization support services, businesses will be able to:

- Find new commercial partners and promote their products in new international markets,
- Export their products or services,
- Stay updated on European industrial regulations in foreign markets,
- Safeguard international supply chains,
- Collaborate with technological leaders abroad for research and development of new products or services,
- Protect their intellectual property assets in other countries.



Enterprise Europe Network

- The largest European network helping SMEs grow, innovate, and internationalize.
- Co-financed by the **European Commission** (as part of a framework program for competitiveness and innovation) and managed by the **European Innovation Council and SMEs Executive Agency (EISMEA)**.
- The Enterprise Europe Network (EEN) supports entrepreneurship and the growth of European businesses, particularly small and medium-sized enterprises (SMEs).

The network consists of more than 450 contact points (organized in consortia), selected by the European Commission, operating in over 40 countries, including:

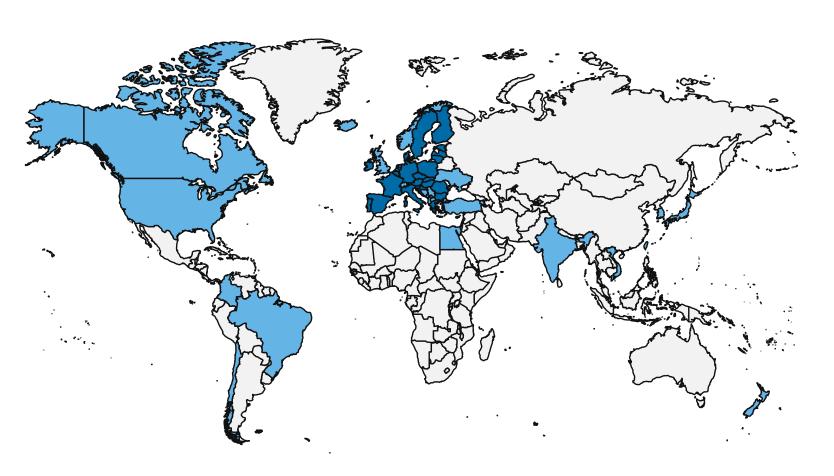
- 27 EU member states, Candidate countries, EFTA countries (Iceland, Norway, Switzerland), Other strategic non-EU countries, such as Armenia, Chile, Taiwan, Colombia, Brazil, India, Vietnam, Singapore, Egypt, Israel, Japan, Mexico, Turkey, Ukraine, Canada, New Zealand, and the USA.
- The **Enterprise Europe Network (EEN)** helps businesses **innovate and expand globally**. It operates worldwide and brings together experts from organizations that provide business support services, including:
- · Chambers of Commerce and Industry
- Regional development organizations
- Universities and research institutes
- Innovation agencies

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EU-27

- Austria
- Belgium
- Bulgaria
- Croatia
- Cyprus
- Czechia
- Denmark
- Estonia
- Finland
- France
- Germany
- German
- Greece
- Hungary
- Ireland
- !taly
- Latvia
- Lithuania
- Luxembourg
- Malta
- Netherlands
- Poland
- Portugal

- Romania
- Slovakia
- Slovenia
- Spain
- Sweden

International

- Albania
- Armenia
- Bosnia and Herzegovina
- Brazil
- Canada
- Chile
- Colombia
- Egypt
- Iceland
- India
- Israel
- Japan
- Korea
- Kosovo

- Moldova
- Montenegro
- New Zealand
- NorthernMacedonia
- Norway
- Serbia
- Singapore
- Switzerland
- Taiwan
- Türkiye
- Ukraine
- United Kingdom
- United States
- Vietnam

Disclaimer: Some countries' agreements might still be in process of being signed



The Network in figures



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Countries, present in all regions of the EU



Million for 3 years



The Network approach

How we help SMEs



















Areas of expertise

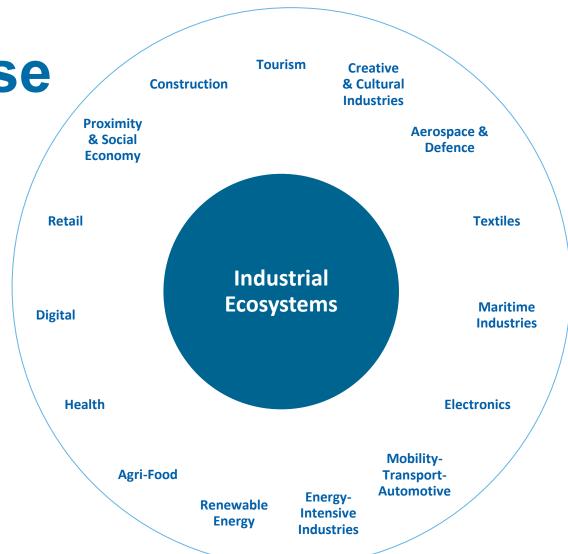
Sector Groups

- 15 SGs aligned with the industrial ecosystems
- Client-oriented activities
- Connecting with ecosystem stakeholders
- Providing policy feedback



Thematic Groups

- 10 TGs aligned with the Network activities & priorities
- Network-oriented / capacity building activities
- Connecting with thematic stakeholders
- Providing policy feedback





EEN Thematic Groups











Sustainability

Digitalisation

Single Market

Research and innovation



Access to finance





Start-ups & scale-ups







Women Entrepreneurship

Network performance & processes





Champions



Internationalisation









EEN SECTOR GROUP

supporting SMEs to grow at international level

THE EEN SECTOR GROUP TEXTILES



46 Members from EU and associated countries and NO-UE Countries

The SGT covers the textiles ecosystem issues which includes:

• transformation of natural (e.g. cotton, flax, wool), manmade and artificial (synthetic polyester and viscose) fibres into yarns and fabrics, production of yarns, home textiles, industrial filters, technical textiles, carpets and clothing. The ecosystem also includes production of footwear and leather and the fashion segment.

Target Audience:

- Manufacturing companies, start-ups, innovative and emerging brands, fashion designers, distributors and buyers, e-commerce platforms
- Sectors: Garments, clothing and accessories, home texitiles, smart, weareable and fashiontech textile, yarns and fibres, textile machinery
- From smart textiles to design, from innovative and sustainable production processes to new European regulations in the textile sector, the group works to provide information, updates, and specialized growth services for businesses.
- Through the collaboration of over 40 network experts in the textile and fashion sector, the SGT supports manufacturing companies, fashion designers, young entrepreneurs, innovative brands, and startups in exploring new industry trends, advanced production processes, and opportunities related to emerging technologies such as AI, blockchain, 3D, and more sustainable manufacturing.



VISIBILITY AND RESULTS FOR ENTERPRISES across different channels

- B2B and international collaborations
- Awards for SMEs:
- Bank of Cherasco: TFW 2024 participation
- Rinascente Luxury Goods and Fashion store: exhibition at the store in Turin for 3 months
- Promotion of success stories through EEN and other international channels
- Websites and international networks
- National and international press



Dall'Iran all'Italia e nel Mondo: l'esperienza del Brand Afrozan







Some B2Bs..:

- HOMI FAIR_MILANO 2018;
- EU FashionMatch 7.0 Amsterdam
- Baltic Fashion and Textile Fair 2018 (Latvia)
- EUb2b@MilanoDesign Week 2018
- TORINO FASHIONMATCH 2018
- International B2B and Textile conference in Aachen (Germany)
- Eu FashionMatch 8.0 _ Amsterdam
- IF Wedding 2019 (Izmir_ Turkey)
- B2B @ItechStyle Summit 2019 (Porto- Portugal)
- Baltic Fashion & Textile 2019 Baltic Fashion & Textile 2019
- Torino Fashion Match 2019
- EU FashionMatch 9.0 2020 _ Amsterdam
- IF Wedding Fahion 2020 (Izmir_ Turkey)
- B2B @ ITechStyle Summit 2020
- B2WORTH: Company Mission @Milan Design Week 2020
- Torino Fashion Match 2020
- We Gate summit B2B
- Textile Connect 2020
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- Modtissimo 2020
- Fashion Supply





Baltic Fashion and Textile



Eu FashionMatch



B2B@iTechStyle Summit



Torino Fashion Match



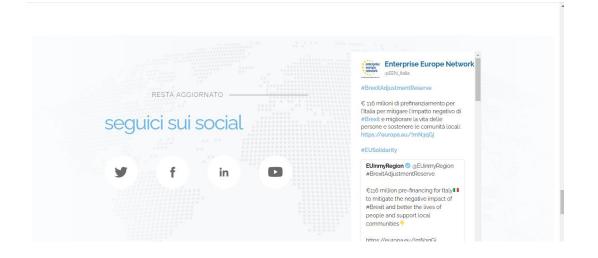
Textile Connect







International channels and websites





As a partner of the <u>Enterprise Europe Network (EEN)</u>, an international network that supports entrepreneurs worldwide, the <u>Unioncamere Piemonte</u> is part of the Sector Group Textile & Fashion, which aims at boosting the competitiveness of textile businesses and fashion brands, by providing them more chances to internationalize and meet potential clients from new markets. Federica Leonetti, a Chair Sector Group Textile & Fashion. together with all membe Privacy Settings actively engaged in helping the companies





TFW 2020_

AWARDED BRANDS BY RINASCENTE



International press



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Great success for Torino Fashion Week Digital





THE EEN SECTOR GROUP TEXTILES

Main Focus:

- Sustainability textile and fashion industry: the new textile directive
- Digitalization and fashion technology
- Innovation access to the Single Market and global markets
- Resilience to value chain disruption
- International partnerships and technological transfer

ACTIVITIES:

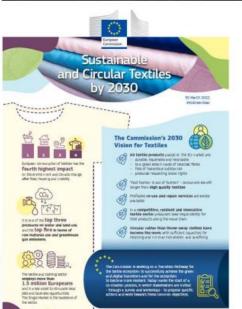
- B2B events _ bilateral meetings events: facilitate the creation of international collaborations
- Company missions
- Targeted Workshops- Trainings and Talks
- Information on specific European initiatives/ programs (Worth, ELiiT..)
- International synergies (Euratex DG Grow DG Trade SGs TGs Clusters)
- Promotion of client's success stories
- Information about the new European regulation for the sustainability of the textile industry





EU Textile Strategy





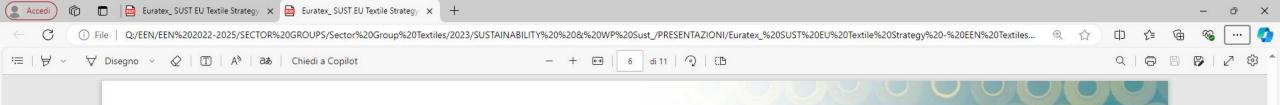


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COMMUNICATION FROM THE COMMISSION TO THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT, THE COUNCIL, THE EUROPEAN ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COMMITTEE AND THE COMMITTEE OF THE REGIONS

EU Strategy for Sustainable and Circular Textiles





The EU's vision...

The Commission's 2030 **Vision for Textiles**





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- · durable, repairable and recyclable
- to a great extent made of recycled fibres
- produced respecting social rights



'Fast fashion is out of fashion' - consumers benefit longer from high quality textiles



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 - To a great extent made of recycled fibres
 - Free of hazardous substances
 - Produced respecting social rights
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- Profitable re-use and repair services are widely available.
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Do you know...

how many EU legislations on sustainability will impact the textile and clothing companies

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Ecodesign and Digital Product Passport



National Tax on Waste (EPR)



Waste Shipment



Green Claims and Textile Labelling



Green Public Procurement (GPP)



Waste Legislation



Corporate Sustainability Due Diligence



Corporate Sustainability Reporting Directive



Industrial Emissions



Sustainable Finance (Taxonomy)



Microplastic



PFAS Restriction



Skin Sensitisers



Bisphenol



REACH Revision



PFHxA Restriction



RESULTS AND TAKEWAYS: STRATEGIC SUPPORT & GLOBAL EXPANSION for SMEs

- Expert Guidance from **SG Textiles & EEN Advisors** International EEN experts assisted in scouting potential new clients worldwide, including key connections within the US node.
- Legal & Brand Development Support Through our Consortium partner in Turin, we provided guidance on IP rights and brand registration abroad, ensuring strong legal foundations for international expansion.
- Extensive Networking Opportunities Leveraged sectoral stakeholders to initiate new collaborations, fostering strategic partnerships for market growth.
- Brand Promotion & Visibility Supported the brand by utilizing communication materials from B2B events and fashion showcases to enhance market positioning.
- Showcasing Excellence & Success Stories Conducted an exclusive interview highlighting expertise, achievements, and ambitions while documenting success stories, including:
 - International commercial agreements with a buyer from Germany
 - New projects underway, including a collaboration in Senegal with local institutions and companies

Essemme Studio experience 2024 : https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=U4ozHDF2Ss4



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It's Never Too Late to Expand Your Network!!

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