ISWA BEACON CONFERENCE ON CIRCULAR TEXTILE MANAGEMENT

May 9 | 2019 | 9AM
Blue City, Maasboulevard 100
Rotterdam - Netherlands
If there is one area in the landscape of the circular economy where things are moving fast, then it is in fibres, textile and fashion. The number of initiatives, pilots, business models, etc that are being investigated, tested and implemented is growing fast.

The ISWA Beacon Conference on Circular Textile Management offers guidance in this rapidly evolving landscape. This one day conference will give you an update on what’s happening in waste textile management. The programme features top-ranking speakers from all over Europe and is shaped around the main aspects of the supply chain:

- Production and design
- Separate collection
- Sorting & recycling
- Economics, awareness and business models

See programme below for details on presentations and speakers.

**>> Click here to register online:** ISWA Members enjoy a 20% discount!

The City of Rotterdam aims to be a fully circular economy by 2030. Rotterdam is a ‘living laboratory’ for ‘zero-waste’ start-ups, research and pioneering models. The city is a circular hotspot, full of energy, creativity and bold optimism. All of which makes this ambitious and visionary harbour city the ideal location to discuss the future of textiles. Come see for yourself!

[Learn more here]>> Rotterdam Circular

**Venue**

The venue of the conference is Blue City in Rotterdam. Blue City, a former tropical swimming pool, has transformed into a hot-spot and incubator for circular entrepreneurs and is now an iconic Circular Economy Hub. [Go to>> Maasboulevard 100, Rotterdam Blue City]
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09:30 – 16:30
Blue City, Maasboulevard 100, Rotterdam
Moderation: Maarten Goorhuis, Senior Policy Advisor NVRD, NL

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| 13:30 – 14:45| **Session: Sorting & Recycling**  
Identitex Automatic Textile Sorting with Optical Material Detection  
– Hans Bon, Wieland textiles, NL  
Fibre to Fibre Recycling  
– Hanneke den Brouw, Fibre to Fibre Project, NL  
Textile Waste Management and Processing  
– Bernd Gulich, Sächsisches Textilforschungsinstitut, DE |
| 14:45 – 15:05| **Coffee Break**                                                                                                                                 |
| 15:05 – 16:30| **Session: Economics, Awareness & Business Models**  
The Rise of Fast Fashion & Its Effects on Global Textile Industry  
– Edith Ipsmiller, WU Vienna, AT  
Love your clothes  
– Cecile Martin, WRAP, UK |
| 18:00 – 20:00| **Conference Dinner** (included in fees.)                                                                                                          |

*Please note that the programme is subject to change.*
Gunnar Seide: Bio-based Polymers in Textiles  
Chair of Polymer Engineering Maastricht University, NL

Biopolymers are of growing importance. More and more companies are successful by positioning themselves as sustainable companies and are able to achieve premium prices for their products. Plastics receive many of their desired properties not by the polymer itself, but by functional additives. The presentation will deal with additives for bio-based polymers.

Lykke Kjaer: Where are the Designers in the Waste Management Business?  
Independent Consultant, Facilitator and Lecturer, DK

Designers are both responsible and invested partners within the needed transformation of circular value-chains of textiles and fashion. Fashion will never become sustainable – but to which extent can designers contribute? How can we engage into the complexity of the circular value-chain and what are the future scenarios looking into new business models?

David Watson: Used Textile Collection in European Cities  
Senior Consultant at PlanMiljø, DK

The European Clothing Action Plan aims to reduce clothing waste across Europe in part through increasing circularity. David Watson will present used textile collection in a range of large European cities, the policy context and motivation, partnerships, collection techniques, successes and challenges. He will draw out some key lessons that can be implemented by city authorities and collectors across Europe.
Selected Speakers

Hanneke den Brouw: Fibre to Fibre Recycling  
Project Advisor Circular Economy, Rijkswaterstaat, Ministry of Infrastructure and Water Management, NL

In the Ecap project, industry leaders have shown that circular fashion and textiles is possible. Fashion for men, women and children, workwear and bed linen producers have proven a wide variety of technical possibilities and market opportunities. Hanneke den Brouw presents the experiences, learnings and plans for the future from nine fibre to fibre trials.

Edith Ipsmiller: The Rise of Fast Fashion & Its Effects on Global Textile Industry  
Assistant Professor, Institute for International Business, Department of Global Business and Trade, WU Vienna, AT

Dr Ipsmiller presents the growth of the fast fashion business model, with particular focus on how it has altered consumers' apparel purchase and disposal behaviour and how this change impacts the textile industry and post-consumer textiles management.

Bernd Gulich: Textile Waste Management and Processing  
Department Manager Nonwovens / Recycling at Saxon Textile Research Institute, Chemnitz, GER

This overview highlights the processing of textile waste from basics to state of the art: including industrially time-tested recycling of used clothing to the new recycling of carbon fibre waste - an absolutely current topic. Hear about future applications of recyclable materials and current conclusions.
Registration and Fees

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Registration fees:

ISWA / NVRD members: € 275,-
Non-Members: € 330,-
Students: € 50,-
ISWA WGRWM members: € 227,-

Please note:
All fees are listed excluding Dutch VAT of 21%.
Participants from low-income and lower-middle-income economies (according to the World Bank list) receive a 50% discount on the applicable registration fee.

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Minimum number of paying participants: 30

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Cancellation and refund will be subject to the following conditions:
• Cancellation between 18 April 2019 and 30 April 2019: 50% refund
• Cancellation from 01 May 2019 or "no show": No refund

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