



TAGS FUNDING & INNOVATION WORKSHOP

Thursday 11th June 2015—Brussels, Belgium

09:00—16:30

Venue: **EU Commission**

Covent Garden Building (COV2), Place Rogier 16, 1210 Brussels

The workshop will be held in English.

The Textiles for Ageing Society (TAGS) Project

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Textiles are an integral part of everyday life and are usually taken for granted, however they have a huge potential to support daily activities, and often the consumer does not realize their importance.

The TAGS project, and the four topics of research we have been investigating; bedding, clothing, hygiene and therapeutic textiles, with regard to the changing needs of an ageing population will be shown to demonstrate how textile based solutions can play an important role in supporting the well-being and quality of life for both the older person, and those that provide care for them.

The aim of the day is to provide an opportunity for you to share your experiences and discuss the specific challenges you face, in order to develop and implement multi-disciplinary consortium's which in turn, will lead to new and innovative concepts in the area.

This can range from: textile technology and the latest developments in material science, definition of new product proposals, how to formulate demands based on end-user requirements, identify the barriers which prevent innovation and how to better reach the market and the generation of joint research activities.

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Programme

08:30-09:00 Registration and morning coffee

- 09:00 – 09:30 Univ.-Prof. Dr. Thomas Bechtold, Head of Institute, University of Innsbruck
Research Institute for Textile Chemistry and Textile Physics
Welcome & overview on TAGS Project
- 09:30—10:00 Introduction of members
- 10:00– 10:45 Dr Andrew Hewitt, Nonwovens and Innovation Research Institute (NIRI)
Funding Initiatives

10:45-11:00 Coffee Break

- 11:00– 11:30 Dr. Kathleen Wackowski, President Smart-Fit-In e.V.
Smart-Fit-In Association & Projects
- 11:30—12:00 Dr. Ir. Guy Buyle, Manager EU Research CENTEXBEL
Shared personal experiences of funding & applications

12:00-13:00 Networking Lunch

- 13:00—16:00 Group Session: WP4 Generation of Joint and Collaborative Concepts and
Research Activities (*Lead by Dr Andrew Hewitt, NIRI*)
*The session will involve examples of ideas generated at previous TAGS meetings and also
to explore new ideas for innovations, and how to create a suitable plan of action in order
to move forward and progress with project proposals.*

16:15-16:30 Concluding remarks

End of meeting