

# NEWSLETTER

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## GENERAL

The 4-year project 2BFUNTEX funded by the EC 7<sup>th</sup> Framework Programme NMP, started on **January 1, 2012**. The final goal of 2BFUNTEX is to consolidate all information gained in solid collaborations between academia and industry, resulting in rapid translation of research ideas and technologies in industrial applications.

## DON'T MISS THE OPPORTUNITY TO JOIN THE 2BFUNTEX CONTEST

In the framework of the 2BFUNTEX Final Conference at ITMA 2015, the 2BFUNTEX consortium organises a **free technology competition**. If you have a new technology in the field of functional textiles that you wish to transfer to industry, you are invited to **upload your technology** on the 2BFUNTEX Open Innovation Platform [www.2BFUNTEX.eu](http://www.2BFUNTEX.eu) before 20<sup>th</sup> October 2015.

The **2 most promising technologies** will be selected, and the winners will be given the opportunity to give a **presentation at the 2BFUNTEX Final Conference** on Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> November 2015 at ITMA 2015.

Furthermore, the 2 winners will receive a contribution to cover their travel expenses up to max 500€.

The selection committee will assess projects against 3 criteria:

- the innovation assessment of the new technology
- the time to market of the innovation
- the potential impact of the technology on the textile sector



## 2BFUNTEX FINAL CONFERENCE ON TECHNOLOGY TRANSFER OF FUNCTIONAL TEXTILE INNOVATIONS AT ITMA 2015

The 2BFUNTEX consortium organises its final conference on

Saturday 14 November 2015

From 10:30 to 17:30

At ITMA 2015, Milan, Italy

Speakers' Platform, Exhibition Hall 8

Successful cases of effective technology transfer on functional textiles between research & industry will be presented with special focus on :

- Antimicrobial textiles
- Smart Textiles
- Nanotechnologies
- Flame retardancy
- Biotechnology
- Electrospinning
- Plasma
- Sustainable textiles
- Other functional textiles for technical applications

Conference participation is free of charge, but all participants need to register in advance and have a valid ITMA 2015 visitor or exhibitor badge to enter the conference location.

You can register online at:

<http://www.itma.com/conferences/concurrent-events/2bfuntex-final-conference>

## 2BFUNTEX PARTNERS MET THE FINNISH TEXTILE INDUSTRY



The 6<sup>th</sup> 2BFUNTEX workshop took place on 27-28 January 2015 in the **technical research center VTT** in Tampere, Finland.

This meeting was held in combination with the seminar for the Finnish textile industry, organised by VTT and FINATEX, the Association of the Finnish Textile and Clothing Industries, and a COST MP1105 FLARETEX WG1 meeting.

In the afternoon session all 2BFUNTEX partners, MDT members, IAB members, Finnish companies and COST MP1105 members were invited to a plenary session including presentations about:

- the 2BFUNTEX project
- the possibility for Finnish – German collaboration projects for SMEs
- the structural trends and future perspectives for the European textile industry
- the main industrial needs and key research drivers for the functional textile industry

The second day of the workshop was dedicated to 5 Multi-Disciplinary Team (MDT) meetings, which were held in parallel in two sessions, on the following topics: Nanotechnology + Electrospinning + Plasma, Flame retardancy, Antimicrobial Textiles, Sustainable Textiles + Biotechnologies and Smart Textiles. 93 persons participated in the event (industry representatives, experts from research organisations and universities as well as students). It should be noted that many Finnish companies actively participated in the 2BFUNTEX MDT meetings.



## UPCOMING EVENTS ON FUNCTIONAL TEXTILES

- [9.10.2015: Aquafutur-Innovation: Textile and Water](#)
- [14 to 16.10.2015: 6th International Technical Textiles Congress \(ITTC2015\)](#)
- [15 to 16.10.2015: COST MP1105 Workshop on “Flame Retardancy Applications and Related Regulations for Protective Textiles”](#)
- [28.10.2015: Innovation for Textile Sustainability](#)
- [29.10.2015: EU Funding Seminar and TEPIES brokerage event](#)
- [14.11.2015: 2BFUNTEX Final Conference](#)
- [26.11.2015: AACHEN-DRESDEN INTERNATIONAL TEXTILE CONFERENCE 2015](#)

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