

Welcome to Today's Webinar

We will begin shortly

Welcome!



Getting to a Circular Fashion Industry

Introducing the Circular Materials Guidelines

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Mission

To drive the vision, definition and implementation of safe and circular materials for the fashion industry



The Fashion Positive Timeline

2014- Initiative launched in Cradle to Cradle Products Innovation Institute

2016- Library of Cradle to Cradle Certified materials established and launched

2017- Membership launched to identify, optimize and certify the fashion inputs for the circular economy.

2019– Fashion Positive partners with Textile Exchange and restructures based on lessons learned

2020– Strategic Direction: Collaborative Action



The Fashion Industry's Problem One of the most toxic and wasteful industries in the world



- 13 million tons of textile waste is dumped each year, globally
- 95% of this waste could be reused, repurposed or recycled
- Dumped clothes emit methane, pollute soil and waters with chemicals and plastics
- And an estimated USD500 billion value is lost every year

The Materials Revolution Has Started But there needs to be a connection to circular systems

McKinsey's State of Fashion Report expects R&D to increasingly focus on **materials Science** for new fibers, textiles, finishes and other material innovations to be used at scale

67% of Fashion Brands believe using innovative sustainable materials substitutions through R&D is critical, and that a materials revolution is now critical

45% of apparel companies surveyed by McKinsey are looking to integrate more innovative bio-based materials.



Less than 1% of material

used to produce clothing is recycled into new clothing,13 representing a loss of more than USD 100 billion worth of materials each year

Companies filed around eight times as many

fiber-innovation patent applications in 2019 as they did in 2013, based on McKinsey analysis.

Circular Materials

Safe materials managed in ways that respect humans, environment, and all living things. Circular materials retain their full value material through multiple use-cycles enabled by systems that support recovery and continuous cycling (reuse, resell, rent, recycle).



Fashion Positive is Collaborating to Drive the Change By leading the vision, definition and use of safe and circular materials

How We do It? Our Goals are to:

- Define and educate the industry on the term "circular materials" through our Guidelines and learning series on key issues facing circularity in the industry
- Enable the development of circular high-volume materials through R&D and shared tools including the innovators roundtable
- Accelerate the use of circular materials through collaborative vehicle for investment to scale change



Circular Materials Guidelines



Provide guidelines for certifications and verifications for materials, working across the stakeholder landscape—detailing Better and Best categories and aligning to the Ellen MacArthur Vision: Make Fashion Circular

Identification of Commercially Available (now) and Innovative (later) Preferred Circular **Material Fibers**

Material



Material

Reutilization



Renewable

Energy



Social Fairness Stewardship

> Support & celebrate human and natural systems

Update the **Circular Design** guidelines as the industry evolves and systems mature

Select safe and healthy materials & chemicals

Eliminate the Power operations concept of waste with abundant and design for clean & endless re-use renewable energy

Protect and steward water as a precious resource

Water

Fashion Positive focuses its efforts on a scalable approach and continuous improvement

Waste and pollution is designed out.

Fibers and materials are designed for longevity, resource efficiency, non-toxicity, compostability, and recyclability.

Products and materials are kept in use at maximum value

Material choices should align with the available options for recycling after use.

Focus on ambitious continuous improvement.

Identify what is available now and highlight and drive attention toward future solutions



Fashion Positive Circular Guidelines Sections

Design products made with materials that come from and can safely return to nature or industry. Know the chemical ingredients of every material in a product and optimize towards safer materials.

Manage clean water as a precious resource and an essential human right.

Create a future in which all manufacturing is powered by 100% clean renewable energy. Design operations to honor all people and natural systems affected by the creation, use, disposal or reuse of a product.

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Circular Material Guidelines: Roadmap to Aligning Standards

	C Feedstocks	Chemist	ſ	Water			Energy	
Requirements Included (Fiber Level):	 Recycled Virgin Content Fabric Content* 	 Input Chem Transparend Synthetic alternatives 	2. R R	 Quality Recycle & Reuse Conservation 		1. Decrease GhG Emissions		
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CircularID[™] Protocol Pilot Version

The industry-wide protocol for digital identification of products in the circular economy

Protocol managed by:

EON[™]





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2030 SUSTAINABILITY STRATEGY AND COMMITMENT TO CIRCULARITY

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SUSTAINABILITY STRATEGIC FRAMEWORK AND PILLARS

2030 STRATEGIC AIM/ASPIRATION: To play a pivotal role in innovation that enables our brand — and the industry at large — to realize circular business models that work for both business and the planet while protecting workers, improving livelihoods, and igniting a community of change-makers.



Lead Innovation: Become the industry innovation catalyst. The industry needs new, bold innovations and circular models to move to a more sustainable future. Our size and ambition make us the ideal partner to incubate these innovations. We will cultivate innovations for the benefit of our brand and the industry as a whole.

2025 Objective: Incubate circular innovations.



Embrace Circular Models: Shift to a circular model and design a new set of standards. The linear economic model is broken; to future-proof our brand, we must embrace new approaches that enable the world to function within planetary boundaries.



Champion Fair Labor: Protect and Empower workers throughout Outerknown's supply network. We will maintain our FLA accreditation, collaborate with the industry to improve livelihoods, and advance our Fair Labor program to include fair wage solutions.

2025 Objective: Demonstrate circular solutions.

2025 Objective: Advocate to protect worker rights, safety, and livelihoods.

SUSTAINABILITY GOALS AND 5-YEAR MILESTONES

Objectives	Key Strategies	2025 Goals				
Lead Innovation	Drive industry alignment for greater collective impact around new circular innovations.	Serve as key catalyst for the top 3 industry working groups at the forefront of circular innovation and advancement. Become the first circular industry case study through advancing circular innovation.				
	Advance commercialization for emerging circular technologies and innovations.	Invest in and support the development of 5 new circular technologies and innovations to share industry-wide. Pilot and/or scale 10 existing circular technologies and innovations to share industry-wide.				
Embrace Circular Models	Develop & commercialize safe and circular materials and products.	Make 75% of fabrics and 50% of products circular. By 2030, 100% of products will be circular.				
	Design timeless garments for product life extension.	Design all new products for increased utility, recyclability, and made for disassembly.				
	Deploy end of life solutions with the most potential to mitigate impact.	Launch a renewed category and platform, which will include resale, repair, and recycling that's brand-specific and/or industry-serving.				
Champion Fair Labor	Advance worker rights.	Maintain FLA accreditation.				
		Refine Tier 2 Fair Labor requirements. Expand Fair Labor program to include Tier 3 and Tier 4 strategic partners.				
		Disclose Tier 1 to Tier 4 suppliers.				
	Improve Livelihoods.	Implement a fair compensation strategy.				
		All Tier 1 suppliers will have programs that include direct worker involvement and that demonstrate their commitment to improving the livelihoods of workers.				

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Building a Direction of Travel

Textile Exchange defines a preferred fiber or material as one which is *environmentally and/or socially progressive*, the use of which results in positive benefits in comparison to conventional production.





What is Preferred?





What is Preferred?



Circularity



Textile Exchange Standards



Thank you



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Introducing the Circular Materials Guidelines

Questions & Answers

TE Conference & Looking toward this year

- Find us at Textile Exchange November 2 discussing innovation in the industry and use of the Guidelines
 - Canopy
 - Tyton BioSciences
 - Outerknown
 - Naia/Eastman
- Test and Pilot the Guidelines in your company and organization
- Get Involved! Our next strategic plan will be released soon!

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Thank You!

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