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ACTIVITIES OF AEI TÈXTILS AT TECHTEXTIL

AEI Tèxtils, the technical textiles' cluster of Catalonia, attended the world's leading exhibition on technical textiles: [TECHTEXTIL 2019](#).

Techtextil took place from 14th to 17th May in Frankfurt, in parallel to [TEXPROCESS](#).

In total, there were 1.818 exhibitors from 59 countries and 47.000 visitors from 116 countries.

Six members from AEI Tèxtils presented their products at Techtextil: [ANTEX](#), [C.P. ALUART](#), [E.CIMA S.A.U.](#), [MARINA TEXTIL](#), [MITSU](#) and [POLISILK](#).



AEI Tèxtils members' booths at TECHTEXTIL 2019

During Techtextil, AEI Tèxtils' members had the opportunity to participate in B2B meetings with companies from other clusters that are members of the European cluster of advanced textile materials, [EU-TEXTILE2030](#). In total, more than 50 B2B meetings took place.



AEI Tèxtils, Po.In.Tex and Up-Tex/Clubtex, organizing the meetings between their members

Other projects in which AEI Tèxtils participates, or leads, were also present at Techtextil including: [LIFE-FLAREX](#), [TEXSTRA](#) and [CONTEXT](#).



Members of the LIFE-FLAREX project, led by AEI Tèxtils, at the booth of the Belgian partner CENTEXBEL

The CONTEXT network, led by AEI Tèxtils, gathered 14 of its members during Techtextil. They participated in a meeting to discuss about the next activities of the network. They also participated at two guided tours within the exhibition, one at the *Smart Textiles Microfactory* of

the [Institute of Textile Technology \(ITA\)](#) of the RWTH Aachen University and the other one at the *Digital Textile Microfactory* of the [German institute of textile and fibre research Denkendorf \(DITF\)](#).



Members of the CONTEXT network visiting the ITA and DITF microfactories

Representatives from AEI Tèxtils met with some of their international partners, such as the Moroccan and the UK technical textiles' clusters, C2TM and NWTexnet.



Meeting of AEI Tèxtils with the representatives of the clusters C2TM (left) and NWTexnet (right)

Furthermore, Ariadna Detrell, AEI Tèxtils' Cluster Manager, participated at the networking dinner organized by the German association IVGT, the Italian association TEXCLUBTEC and the French association CLUBTEX. More than 180 representatives from companies and organizations from those three countries attended the dinner.

On the last day of Techtextil, Friday 17th, [Leitat Technological Center](#), member of AEI Tèxtils, made a presentation about *eco-composites* in the forum of the [Dornbirn Global Fibers Congress](#), chaired by Friedrich Weninger, general manager of the Austrian Institute of Fibres. The presentation was done by Ruth Garcia, researcher at Leitat.



Ruth Garcia, from Leitat, during her presentation

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