

E-MRS 2014 FALL MEETING

Symposium M: 'Functional Textiles – from Research and Development to Innovations and Industrial Uptake'

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Symposium Organisers:

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Functional textiles are one of the most important fields in textile industry and textile materials science. They include breathable, heat and cold resistant materials, ultra strong fabrics (e.g. as reinforcement for composites), new flame retardant fabrics (e.g. intumescent materials), optimisation of textile fabrics for acoustic properties.

This symposium will provide a forum for presentation and discussion of the latest scientific achievements, developments and innovations in the field of functional textiles as well as the possibilities for their industrial applications.

The symposium will bring together all innovation actors in the field fostering a multidisciplinary approach between universities, research institutes, SMEs (in textiles 95% of the companies are SMEs) and sector associations.

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Hot topics to be covered by the symposium

- Functional fibres
- Textile composites
- Protective textiles
- Technical textiles
- Textile membranes
- Combination of novel materials (ceramics, metal, glass powders) into structural textile based materials
- Industrial needs in the field of functional textiles
- Health & medical textiles
- Nanotextiles
- Flame retardant textiles
- Smart and interactive textiles
- Surface functionalisation and coating of textile based materials
- Industrial applications of functional textiles

Preliminary list of scientific committee members:

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- Prof. Francesco Branda
- Prof. Lieva Van Langenhove
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- Prof. Huseyin Kadoglu
- Prof. Victoria Dutschk
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