Events & Statutory Calendar 2024

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Increasingly, EURATEX is invited to participate in events around Europe and beyond, to present our perspective on the EU Textiles Strategy and the (many) specific regulatory initiatives resulting from that. Such participation is a good occasion to inform companies about the upcoming changes, but also to get feedback/input from these companies and to increase EURATEX' visibility in the textiles ecosystem.

At the same time, EURATEX has a tradition of co-organising its annual convention, often in close cooperation with one of its members. So far, these events had a strong "local" contents; mobilising the entire European textile community has been quite difficult.

Against this background, we suggest a more systemic approach, whereby:

- we identify the most important events (fairs and conferences) in 2024, where EURATEX should be present, with different levels of involvement, according to the importance of that event;
- we upscale the General Assembly (organised in Brussels in June) to a slightly bigger event, fully focused on the EU policy agenda;
- we do no longer schedule a separate EURATEX Convention, but actively participate in existing events, as mentioned in the 1st point.

EURATEX' members are invited to comment on this approach, on the proposed list of events and the level of involvement, during the Board/DG meeting of 25 October.

Furthermore, we include in this note the proposed **statutory calendar**, which also includes the timetable for the EURATEX' Board nominations and elections of Presidents and Vice Presidents, for review and adoption on the 25th.

Events Calendar (draft)

January	Milano Unica, 30/01 – 01/02	Textile	Speaking slot
	Heimtextil, 9-12/01	Home and contract textiles	Speaking slot
February	Circular Economy Stakeholders Platform Annual Event (no date yet)	Biggest event about sustainability in Brussels organised by the European Commission	To have one EURATEX member (company) to speak in a panel
April	Texprocces & Techtextil 23-26/04	Technical textiles, nonwovens, functional apparel textiles and their production and processing.	EURATEX Booth (with ETP ?) & networking event Speaking slot Communication Advisory Board
May	Global Fashion Summit (GFA) 22-23/05	One of the biggest events to discuss trends in the fashion industry and policy developments	Speaking slot or moderate a session
June	European Textile Summit 13/06	In parallel to the closed-doors GA, EURATEX event with focus on EU policy impacting T&C industry	1 day policy conference plus networking / social event
July	Première Vision Paris, 2-4/07	One of the biggest fair for textile/fabric for fashion (high end)	Booth (offered) & Speaking slot Policy partner
	Copenhagen Fashion Week	Main event of DM&T – latest trends in fashion	Speaking slot

September	Modtissimo	Main event in Portugal for fashion & textile	Speaking slot
	63rd Dornbirn-GFC (11 – 13)	Global Fiber Congress	Speaking slot
October	Venice Sustainability Forum (usually end of October)	Italian Forum on sustainability organised by SMI and Ambrosetti	Speaking slot Policy partner
November	IAF/ITMF Convention (jointly organised in 2024, in Uzbekistan	Global textiles and apparel network	Bilateral meetings Speaking slot
	Textile Exchange	One of the biggest conferences on textile sustainability in the world	Speaking slot

Statutory Calendar (draft)

January	Friday 12 (AM)	Directors General meeting	Virtual
February	Friday 9 (AM)	Board of Directors	Virtual/Brussels ?
March	Friday 29	Deadline to receive nominations for Board and Presidency Team (PT)	
April	Friday 12 (AM)	Board of Directors (deciding on new Board/PT proposal)	Virtual/Brussels (or Frankfurt – Techtextil) ?
June	Thursday 13 (full day) Thursday 13 (evening) Friday 14 (AM)	European Textile Summit Board/DG meeting General Assembly (confirming Board nominations an PT election)	Brussels, 1 day policy conference Brussels, closed door diner Brussels
September	Friday 13 (AM)	Directors General meeting	Brussels
December	Friday 13 (AM)	Board of Directors	Virtual