

Planet Textiles 2018 Agenda

22nd May 2018 @ Sheraton Vancouver Wall Centre, Vancouver, Canada

Registration & Light Breakfast 08.30

Morning Session, Main Hall, 09.30 – 10.50

Welcome, thanks and order of the day delivered by Host **Sarah Blenkhorn**, Strategic Convener, Leverage Lab

Traditional welcome to Vancouver and introduction: **Charlene Aleck**, Tsleil-Waututh Nation

Scaling innovation, current political climate in the EU and consumer sentiment: **Kate Heiny**, Director of Sustainability, C&A

Latest research on microplastics, textile microfibres and problems within aquatic environments
Dr Peter Ross, Director, OceanWise Canada



10.50 – 11.15 Coffee Break



Late Morning Session, Main Hall, 11.15 – 12.50

Panel: Textile microfibres and environmental pollution – how the industry should respond

Moderator: **Sarah Blenkhorn**, Strategic Convener, Leverage Lab

Dr Katy Stevens, European Outdoor Industry Microfibre Consortium | **Mary Ankeny**, VP, Product Development, Cotton Inc
Joel Mertens, Integrity Engineer, Mountain Equipment Co-op

Panel: Scaling up innovation and harmonisation on chemical management in the supply chains
with examples of collaborators/potential collaboration from different stakeholders

Moderator: **John Mowbray**, Founder, MCL News and Media

Frank Michel, CEO, ZDHC Foundation | **Xander Wessels**, CEO, Archroma
Linda Greer, Senior Scientist, NRDC | **Jill Dumain**, CEO, bluesign



Lunch 12.50 – 13.50



Afternoon Session, Main Hall, 13.50 – 14.10

A philosophical business approach to being a CEO of a
synthetic textile business with a need to green its supply chain

Ruediger Fox, CEO, Sympatex Technologies LLC



Breakout Sessions, 14.15 – 15.15

1 - The Power of Finance to Propel Sustainable Innovation Forwards:

Exploring how financial instruments and other initiatives helping to scale up innovation across the textile sector.

Moderator: Scott Miller, Business Development, Sustainable Apparel Coalition

Participants:

Patricia Gomes, MD Head of Global Trade, HSBC NA;
Jamie Bainbridge, VP Development, Bolt Threads;
Mohan Seneviratne, Global Water Lead, IFC

2 - Deforestation and the Textile Supply Chain:

The challenges facing man-made cellulosic textiles regarding forestry management, climate change and biodiversity and how the Great Bear Rainforest campaign in British Colombia moved from conflict to collaboration.

Moderator: Nicole Rycroft, CEO, CanopyStyle

Participants

Angela Suarez Garcia, Sustainability, Inditex
Tricia Carey, Director Sustainability, Lenzing;
Sigrid Barnekow, Program Director, Mistra
Valerie Langer, Strategic Projects Director, Stand.earth

3 - Harmonisation of wastewater discharge:

Scaling up innovation in the textile processing sector relating to innovation and transparency. With examples of real world technical solutions to help minimise water and chemical use in textile processing.

Moderator: Scott Echols, Technical Director, ZDHC Foundation

Participants:

Janne Poranen, CEO, SPINNOVA Ltd;
Dr Gary Selwyn, CEO, Green Theme International;
Andrea Crespi, Managing Director, Eurojersey;
Dr Meg Whittaker, Managing Director, ToxServices



15.15 – 15.45 Coffee break



Final Session - Main Hall, 15:45 – 17:30 Led by Fashion for Good

"A Pitch for the Planet": Promising technology that has yet to scale
Moderator: Rogier van Mazijk, Investment Manager, Fashion for Good

Participants:

Alfie Germano, Chief Executive Officer, Nanollose | **Andrea Ferris**, Co Founder, Intrinsic Textiles
Jane Palmer, President & Founder | Nature Coatings | **Peter Majernowski**, President & Co-Founder, Tyton BioSciences LLC
Karun Tyagi, VP Business Development, ProAvita | **Orr Yarkoni**, COO, Colorifix
Kaley Adolf, Business Development Manager, ColorZen

Questions from the floor

Event wrap up by **Sara Blenkhorn**, Strategic Convener, Leverage Lab

Thanks from **Jason Kibbey**, CEO, Sustainable Apparel Coalition

17.30 – 19.00 - Evening reception – Welcome by ToxServices

