

Garment suppliers make debut as next week's Intertextile Shenzhen draws nearly 1,500 exhibitors

Shenzhen, 3 November 2023. The apparel textile fair's first-ever inclusion of key garment manufacturers is set to open a new avenue for buyers amidst positive forecasts for China's clothing sector. With the entire value chain now set to come together in the Greater Bay Area, exhibitors from 16 countries and regions will showcase a blend of innovational and traditional textiles for this sourcing season's curtain call. Taking place from 6 – 8 November across Halls 9 – 12 (75,000 sqm gross) at Shenzhen World Exhibition and Convention Center, well-represented product categories include ladieswear, accessories, functional and sportswear, casualwear, suiting and shirting, denim, and more. Meanwhile, under the categories Design and Trend, Market Information and Business Strategies, and Sustainability Issues, multiple fringe events will provide cutting-edge insights to fairgoers from across the apparel spectrum.

Suppliers from nine new exhibiting countries and regions¹, including Argentina, Indonesia, Türkiye, and the US, will be looking to take advantage of China's status as the world's largest apparel producer, consumer, and exporter². Furthermore, China's clothing market is performing strongly, with the apparel sector's cumulative growth of 19.2% from January to May 2023 exceeding the average for retail products³.

Speaking to the fair's adaptability, Ms Wilmet Shea, General Manager of Messe Frankfurt (HK) Ltd, said: "To meet the needs of both the domestic and international fashion retail markets, Intertextile Shenzhen has repositioned itself to cover the full industry chain. We wanted to offer buyers an even more comprehensive apparel sourcing platform, and garment suppliers will prove to be an integral part of that experience going forward."

Complementing its strong contingent of fibre, yarn, fabric, and accessories exhibitors, the platform's highlighted apparel producers include:

- **Best Guide Fashion**: headquartered in Hong Kong, its Shenzhen factory manufactures a wide range of women's winter-wear, such as premium down jackets, with major export markets including Japan, Europe, and Taiwan.
- **Ciliarish Apparel**: the mid- to high-end women's apparel company designs and produces garments for domestic and international brands, including women's suits,

² 'Deeply cultivate the fashion industry in the Greater Bay Area', August 2022, Sina Fashion, https://fashion.sina.cn/l/2022-08-07/detail-imizirav7110233.d.html, (Retrieved: October 2023)

¹ Compared to the fair's previous edition in 2020.

³ 'Sales analysis of 50 key large-scale retail companies in the country', June 2023, China National Commercial Information Center, https://www.cncic.org/?p=4746, (Retrieved: October 2023)

coats, jackets, and sportswear.

• **Zhuji Longzhengying Garment**: focusing primarily on ladieswear, including blouses, skirts, dresses, and pants, the manufacturer utilises sheer fabrics such as polyester georgette, crepe georgette, chiffon, and silk.

Pavilion exhibitors set to showcase characteristic strengths

In addition to product-specific zones, a number of companies will gather together to showcase their regional and organisational advantages. In the International Zone in Hall 10, two country pavilions will make their return:

- Japan Pavilion: well-known for small minimum order quantities, and with a
 particular focus on menswear, ladieswear, and sportswear, exhibitors will mostly be
 showcasing accessories, pattern designs, and high-quality cotton and man-made
 fabrics.
- Korea Pavilion: various fabrics used mostly for ladieswear, casualwear, and functional wear will be on display, including polyester and rayon jacquard doublesided fabrics, recycled woven fabrics, embroidery, synthetic-cotton blends, and much more.

Meanwhile, in Halls 10 - 12, cities from across China have organised domestic pavilions that will display the various applications of their suppliers' textile products. These include **Huzhou**, **Keqiao**, **Shaoxing**, and **Shengze**, primarily featuring ladieswear and functional fabrics.

Click here for the full list of exhibitors.

Fringe programme covering sustainability, trends, and strategy

Fairgoers are set to benefit from the insights on offer this year, and a range of up-to-date topics and on-trend displays will be presented by some of the industry's well-known players. With over a dozen seminars, discussions, product presentations, and forums, featured events include:

- HKRITA Panel Discussion: in a bid to better equip the global textile industry to
 face eco-challenges and welcome green opportunities, the HKRITA panel
 discussion "Empowering Sustainability and Circularity through Innovation" will bring
 together renowned manufacturers and researchers to discuss various innovational
 methods for driving ecological transformation.
- Intertextile Forum: aiming to give participants insights on how to further take hold of regional opportunities, this year's theme is "Driven by Regional Synergy, Consolidate a Modern Textile Industry System in Greater Bay Area". A number of experts will discuss a raft of topics surrounding trends, sustainability, technology and market hotspots, complemented by a Pioneer Dialogue session.
- **Textile Industry Digital Application Forum**: with the ongoing evolution of the economic development stage, this forum is set to help key players navigate the upcoming changes. Discussions include digital transformation policies, the industry's current status, and upcoming digital transformation trends.

To view the fair's complete fringe programme, click here.

Held concurrently with Yarn Expo Shenzhen, DPARK (Fashion Design), and PH Value, Intertextile Shenzhen Apparel Fabrics is organised by Messe Frankfurt (HK) Ltd; Messe Frankfurt (Shenzhen) Co Ltd; the Sub-Council of Textile Industry, CCPIT; and the China Textile Information Center.

Intertextile Shenzhen Apparel Fabrics will be held from 6 – 8 November 2023.

Other upcoming shows:

Vietnam International Trade Fair for Apparel, Textiles and Textile Technologies 28 February – 1 March 2024, Ho Chi Minh City

Intertextile Shanghai Apparel Fabrics – Spring Edition / Yarn Expo Spring 6 – 8 March 2024, Shanghai

Intertextile Shanghai Apparel Fabrics – Autumn Edition / Yarn Expo Autumn August 2024, Shanghai

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