

#### Press release

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Cinte Techtextil China 2020: growth rebound and opportunities for the technical textiles and nonwovens sector expected

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While the global economy as well as the textiles sector are in a state of flux at present, this unique situation is expected to present opportunities for exhibitors at September's 14<sup>th</sup> edition of Cinte Techtextil China. Taking place from 2 – 4 September at the Shanghai New International Expo Centre in halls N2 – N4, the event is Asia's leading international trade fair for the technical textiles and nonwovens industry. The 2018 edition saw 485 exhibitors take part, nearly 40% of which were international brands, while the fair recorded 13,203 visits from 55 countries & regions.

China's technical textiles and nonwovens sector has shown considerable and steady growth for a number of years now, and 2019 was no exception, especially for nonwovens. Annual output of nonwoven fabrics of large-scale Chinese companies last year reached 5.03 million tons, a year-on-year increase of 9.9%.

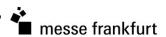
"Obviously the novel coronavirus outbreak has severely affected economic growth across China in the last two months, however we expect the economy to rebound strongly in the second half of the year," Ms Wendy Wen, Senior General Manager of Messe Frankfurt (HK) Ltd explained. 40 international economists polled by Reuters in February did predict a contraction in the economy in quarter one, but were optimistic that the economy would bounce back in the second quarter. "This unfortunate situation does present opportunities in the personal hygiene and protective wear sectors in particular though, with global demand soaring for products made from nonwovens, including face masks, antibacterial wet wipes, protective apparel and more."

Particularly, there is a supply shortage of one key raw material for surgical mask production – meltblown nonwovens & meltblown equipment. This, along with other nonwovens products and machinery will be in high demand at Cinte Techtextil, with suppliers such as A.Celli Nonwovens, Dilo Systems, Reifenhäuser Reicofil and Trützschler Nonwovens already signed up to take advantage of this.

### Leading industry names already confirmed to attend

Exhibitor recruitment has been in full swing since last year, with a number of the industry's other leading suppliers already confirmed to participate. These include Arkema (China) Investment Co Ltd, Bostik SA, Graf + Cie AG, Itematech, Monosuisse Group, Picanol N V, Rowa Lack

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GmbH, Stahl Holdings BV, Textest AG and more.

Cinte Techtextil China's product categories cover 12 application areas, which comprehensively span the full range of potential uses of modern textile technologies. These categories also span the entire industry, from upstream equipment and raw materials providers to finished fabrics, chemicals and other solutions. This full coverage of product groups and application areas ensures the fair is an effective business platform for the entire industry.

Cinte Techtextil China is organised by Messe Frankfurt (HK) Ltd; the Sub-Council of Textile Industry, CCPIT; and the China Nonwovens & Industrial Textiles Association (CNITA). To find out more about the fair, please visit: <a href="https://www.techtextilchina.com">www.techtextilchina.com</a>. For more information about Messe Frankfurt's worldwide textile fairs, please visit: <a href="https://www.texpertise-network.com">www.texpertise-network.com</a>.

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