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Textile Institute World Conference 2012
Registration now open

Theme: Bridging Research, Innovation and Enterprise
Venue: Shah Alam, Selangor, Malaysia

Manchester, UK – 15 February 2012 The Textile Institute together with its partner the Universiti Teknologi MARA, Shah Alam, Selangor, Malaysia, is pleased to announce that registration for the 2012 World Conference is now open.

The conference will provide an opportunity for participants to travel to the tropical equator line to experience Malaysian society and observe the country as it moves towards building a high income society for 2020. Malaysia is a country of contrasts, from its towering skyscrapers to its traditional wooden huts built on stilts it amazes at every turn. Recent years have seen Malaysia become a Mecca for design, Director of Operations and Membership, The Textile Institute, Stephanie Dick commented, “we are really pleased to be able to provide details regarding this year’s World Conference. Eclectic cultures and natural wonders signify that Malaysia will be an exciting venue for the 88th Textile Institute World Conference. Its commitment to the creative industries and innovation mean a perfect fit with the Institute’s own philosophy of bringing together diverse textile areas to exchange ideas.”

Developments of textile materials, equipment and processes have extensively impacted the textile industry worldwide. While conventional textiles present consistent growth in emerging economies, a movement into medical, sports, aerospace, automotive and geotextiles applications (non-conventional markets) included within technical textiles and composites, with value-added elements has seen the industry change drastically. With these changes, The Textile Institute World Conference 2012 will specifically focus on developing methodology for connecting research and innovation with emphasis on establishing enterprising spirit among its members and the textile community in general.

The organisers, The Textile Institute together with the Universiti Teknologi MARA, would like to invite local and international participants to attend the conference.

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The conference will cover, but is not limited to the following areas:

- Clothing Manufacturing
- Composites
- Design, Fashion, and Footwear
- Dyeing, Finishing, and Printing
- Education and Training
- Future Trends and Visions
- Global Business, Marketing and Management
- Healthcare and Medical Textiles
- Historical
- Natural Fibres
- Personal Protective Equipment
- Quality Control, Testing and Evaluation
- Smart Fabrics and Wearable Technologies
- Sustainability
- Technical Textiles
- Textile Manufacturing

Sponsorship packages are also available, providing companies with the opportunity to be associated with one of 2012’s most exciting events. Current sponsors include Taylor and Francis and Manchester Metropolitan University, others are currently in the process of being confirmed.

Full information regarding the conference is available on the website - www.tiworldconference.org

Notes to editors:
With International Headquarters in Manchester, UK, The Textile Institute is a unique organisation in textiles, clothing and footwear. Founded in 1910 the Institute was incorporated in England by a Royal Charter granted in 1925 and is a registered charity. The Institute has individual and corporate members in over 80 countries; membership covers all sectors and all disciplines in textiles, clothing and footwear. Individual members can also gain internationally recognised qualifications including, LTI (Licentiates); CText ATI (Associates) and CText FTI (Fellows).

The Textile Institute has members in all sectors of fibre-based industries worldwide. Special Interest Groups provide a focus for members in different sectors, with many organising conferences, study tours and other events in their subject area.

World President Mr Andreas Weber CText FTI, is the director sales, marketing and parts, senior vice president, SwissTex Winterthur AG.

Chairman of Council Mr John Wilson OBE CompTI.

More information about The Textile Institute is available on the website: www.textileinstitute.org

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