Submitting Country, Organization, Company
Cittadellarte Fondazione Pistoletto

If Organization or Company, please indicate the approximate number of employees
50

Title of the action
Circular Threads

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Relevant Website
https://www.tondo.tech/circular-threads.php

Partners
Tondo, Associazione Tessile e Salute, Rén

Type of initiative
Foundation / association initiative

Description of action
With the goal to foster the transition towards circular models of production in the Italian textile industry, we conducted an analysis measuring the level of sustainability and circularity at sector and company scale. Circular Threads is a study on circularity in the textile sector in Northern Italy, facilitated by the geographically condensed structure of local value chains.

### Type of action
- Traceability

### Please select the specific area/s of the action
- Research and Development of Innovative Solutions
- Awareness and Education
- Collaborative initiatives

### Objective
Measuring the impact of circularity and sustainability practices at both sector and company scale, analyzing existing partnerships constituting examples of circularity.

### Commitments
Promoting and spreading awareness on positive models and initiatives.

### Value chain scope
Across the entire value chain in Northern Italy.

### Timeframe and/or milestones for the action
- 2019: beginning of the study
- June 2021: presentation of results
- October 2021: report
- The aim is to create an ongoing study

### Reference instruments and sources used
- Desk search: a sample of 300 companies was analyzed for their compliance with a set of sustainable and circular actions.
- Questionnaire: filled by almost 70 companies.
- Circularity assessment: a detailed analysis based on material flows for 2 companies was developed to calculate a circularity index at the product level adopting the Ellen MacArthur Foundation methodology.

### Expected benefits and impact for the stakeholders involved
- Enhanced visibility of compliance with sustainability requirements by industry actors/partners along the entire value chain
- Enhanced environmental and socially responsible consumption and production, and circularity of the value chain, that may be relevant to and inspire other countries and industry actors/partners

### Stakeholders involved
- Business and industry associations
- Non-governmental organizations (NGOs)
How has this UNECE-UN/CEFACT Call to Action contributed to strategic engagement and/or public awareness in support of your commitment?

By providing us with a methodology and guidelines that could be employed to support and educate our partners as well as us on matters of sustainability and circularity; encouraging projects that share UNECE’s values and goals.

Link to relevant goal(s) and specific target(s) of the United Nations

8. Decent Work and Economic Growth
9. Industry, Innovation and Infrastructure
12. Responsible Consumption and Production
13. Climate Action