



## **TECHNOLOGY PLATFORM FOR THE RENEWING OF HUNGARIAN TEXTILE AND CLOTHING INDUSTRY (TEXPLAT)**

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The presentation shows the activities of Technology Platform for the Renewing of Hungarian Textile and Clothing Industry (TEX-PLAT) established by T/C companies, related research and educational institutions, as well as some of interested stakeholders in January 2009. The aim of the Platform is to renew the Hungarian T/C industry by reshaping the product structure of this sector in order to enhance the competitiveness of Hungarian T/C companies in the challenging conditions of globalisation. The main task of TEXPLAT is to establish a network for all players interested in developing of industry, such as companies, R & D institutions, and the main application areas.

„The Research & Development & Innovation Strategy” and its Implementation Plan were elaborated in the framework of a two-year project supported by the National Office for Research and Technology in 2009-2010. The R &D& I priorities have been identified by four expert working groups of TEXPLAT. These are related to these identified in the Strategic Research Agenda of ETP but giving accents to the areas relevant for Hungarian T/C industry. Strategy will be implemented through five development and three horizontal programmes:

### **R & D programmes:**

- Development functional apparel and home textiles products for general use.
- Development advanced protective clothing products for professional use including products for army, police, etc.
- Projects for sustainability of T/C industry
- New products for technical application
- Renewing of processes of clothing chain through application of ICT tools.

### **Horizontal programmes:**

- Knowledge management, technological transfer
- Education and training
- Marketing innovations

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