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FUTURO TEXTILES AWARDS 2012

COMPETITION CALL

CETI (European Centre for Innovative Textiles) is launching the FUTUROTEXTILES AWARDS, the First International Competition dedicated to Innovative Textiles and Design.

A research centre of international calibre and industrial excellence in the field of Advanced Textile Materials and New Flexible Materials, **CETI** is dedicated to innovation, prototyping and technological development.

CETI is the flagship project of the UP-tex competitiveness cluster, the objective of which is to promote the emergence of textiles in all industries looking for new levels of performance. Spearheading the urban redevelopment of the Union (Lille Metropolis – France), CETI is being developed as a result of financial support from Europe, the State, local authorities and Lille Metropole Communauté Urbaine, and shall be opened on 10 October 2012.

To mark its opening, a number of events are planned for professionals and the general public: professional conferences, the exhibition FUTUROTEXTILES#3, Cetilab dedicated to business and cultural exchanges and the FUTUROTEXTILES AWARDS, an International Competition dedicated to Innovative Textiles and Design.

The competition FUTUROTEXTILES AWARDS is coordinated by **Lille-design**, in partnership with CETI, **lille3000** (FUTUROTEXTILES exhibition) and **FUTEX** in charge of the student part of the competition.

The competition is aimed at both **professionals** in architecture, design, landscape or industrial design (individual, agency or company) and **students** from higher education establishments.

FUTUROTEXTILES AWARDS aims to promote in general and the use of **new flexible and composite materials, in urban design and for everyday use.**

It will sign the textile industry and textile design up to a policy of excellence and launch CETI on the international stage by making the metropolis part of an economic, scientific and creative dynamic.

The challenge is to highlight one's creativity to develop the textiles of the future or discover new applications.

The final date for receipt of entries is the **6th of April 2012** – Midday. No participation fee is required. Winners and Nominees shall be announced in June 2012 and may attend to the CETI's opening.

THE PRIZES SHALL BE AWARDED ON CETI'S OPENING NIGHT, ON WEDNESDAY 10TH OCTOBER 2012

3 prizes shall be awarded in the professional category:

→ The CETI Prize (€5,000) – Advanced Technology in textile innovation

→ The Lille-design Prize (€5,000) – High User Quality

→ The lille3000 Prize (€2,000) – High Creativity and a focus on the FUTUROTEXTILE 3 exhibition during the CETI opening

In the three prizes a budget shall be awarded to start prototyping issued upon submission of expenditure records (€10,000 for CETI, €10,000 for Lille-design and €2,500 for lille3000)

3 prizes shall be awarded in the student category among 20 nominees with sponsors: €2,000 for each prize and up to €3,000 to start the project. The 20 nominees shall be exhibited during the inaugural period at CETI.

WITH FUTUROTEXTILES AWARDS, SHARE YOUR DREAMS AND YOUR CREATIVITY WITH THE TEXTILES OF THE FUTURE!

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A WORD FROM THE PRESIDENT OF UP-TEX, ANDRÉ BEIRNAERT, INITIATOR OF THE CETI PROJECT

CETI is both an exceptional technological platform by the choice of having a concentration of the latest technologies and equipments in a same place and a Research Center for product developments, experimentations and the manufacturing of small series.

CETI positions itself as an innovation concentrator and accelerator of a transversal textile field, supplier of creative solutions for all industries.

I hereby invite you to share in this magnificent project by taking part in our European FUTUROTEXTILES AWARDS competition. Develop your creativity and your imagination for the textiles of the future!

FUTUROTEXTILES AWARDS 2012 RESUME

- → Theme: Innovative Textiles& urban design for professionals / Innovative Textiles in all applications for students
- \rightarrow Target: professionals / students
- → Territory: Europe
- → Language: English / French
- → Contact for the professionals' category: www.lille-design.com
- → Contact for the students' category: http://futex.canalblog.com/
- → Final date for receipt of entries:
 6th of April 2012 Midday
- → Deliberation /Selection and information to the competitors: May/June 2012
- → Prize awards: 10th of October 2012

Further information and contest rules: www.ceti.com www.lille-design.com http://futex.canalblog.com/







