

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY: POST EVENT REPORT

About Fashion Summit (HK)

Fashion Summit (HK) is the largest conference focusing on sustainable fashion in Asia, consisting of a two-day conference and a Fashion Future Challenge Award. It is jointly organized by seven associations, environmental NGOs and academic institutions. The summit plays a vital role in the development of sustainable fashion, bringing together leading academics, key players from the fashion industry, NGOs, media, decision makers and leaders to exchange insights on the latest sustainable fashion trends, technology, best practice, solutions and opportunities. Fashion Summit (HK) also plays an important role in inspiring and nurturing the young generation to have a sustainable fashion mind-set.

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| Date: | 7 – 8 September 2017 |
| Location: | Hong Kong Convention and Exhibition Centre Meeting Room N200 Series |
| Organisers: | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Clothing Industry Training Authority • Office of the Hon Felix CHUNG Kwok-pan, Member of the Legislative Council • Hong Kong Design Institute • Hong Kong Research Institute of Textiles and Apparel • Redress • Sustainable Fashion Business Consortium • World Wide Fund for Nature Hong Kong |
| Major Sponsor: | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Create Hong Kong |
| Diamond Sponsor: | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Glorious Sun Group |
| Silver Sponsors: | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Crystal Knitters Limited • Esquel Enterprises Limited • Fang Brothers Knitting Ltd • Novetex Textiles Ltd • TAL Apparel Ltd |
| Coffee Break Sponsors: | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • American & Efird (HK) Ltd • Cotton Incorporated • Hanbo Enterprises Ltd • Mainetti (HK) Ltd |
| Bronze Sponsors: | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Alvanon HK Ltd • Clover Group International Ltd. • Eagle Nice Development Limited • LAWS Fashion Group Limited • Lenzing Fibers (Hong Kong) Limited • Top Form International |
| Strategic Partners: | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hong Kong Trade Development Council • The Mills |

Opening Ceremony

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| Chairman, Steering Committee Fashion Summit (HK) 2017 | Hon Felix Chung Kwok-pan |
| Guest of Honour: | The Hon Matthew Cheung Kin-chung, GBM, GBS, JP Chief Secretary for Administration |
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Conference

The 2-day Conference of Fashion Summit (HK) 2017:

- It was attended by 1,665[#] participants including speakers, conference delegates and exhibitors with a total participant flow of 2,865^{*} pax during the two days.
- It has invited 53 world renowned Speakers from Asia, Europe, North America and Hong Kong.
- It was supported by 17 sponsors and 31 supporting organizations.
- Concurrent event: Innovation & Technology Symposium 2017 – Innovation & Technology (Organizer: Hong Kong Research Institute of Textiles and Apparel)



*# denotes the combined total of participants of each session; * denotes the combined total of people flow of each session*

Conference Day 1 AM: 7 September 2017
Plenary I (N201)

About

To maximize the scope of viewpoints, this keynote session is specially designed to feature three distinguished speakers from overseas, mainland China, and Hong Kong to incorporate the vision and mission from the point of view of an international NGO, an official council of the mainland, as well as a policy bureau of Hong Kong.

**KEYNOTE
PRESENTATION I**



Mr. Wong Kam-sing
Secretary for the Environment

“It is with public support and by everyone working together that Hong Kong can become climate ready”

Mr. Wong Kam-sing’s speech features the Hong Kong Government’s initiatives in Sustainable Fashion, Food Wise, Sustainable Building and Sustainable Mobility to cultivate the Environmental Blueprints of the City.

#sustainablefashion #foodwise #sustainablebuilding
 #sustainablemobility



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| <p>KEYNOTE PRESENTATION II</p> | <p>Mr. Chen Da Peng Vice Chairman of China National Textile and Apparel Council and Executive Vice President of China National Garment Association</p> <p>“Green and sustainable development is the strategic goal of China’s textile industry”</p> <p>Mr. Chen Da Peng has shared his views on the transformation and upgrading of China’s textile and apparel industry and the vision of collaboration to build a green and sustainable future.</p> <p>#chinatextileindustry #greendevlopment #sustainablefuture</p> |
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| <p>KEYNOTE PRESENTATION III</p> | <p>Ms. Amina Razvi Vice President of Membership Growth and Impact of Sustainable Apparel Coalition</p> <p>“Measurement with Intention - Standardized measurement is a precursor to collective action.”</p> <p>Bringing an international perspective to the panel, Ms. Amina Razvi has shared significant impact improvement by 2020 by Sustainable Apparel Coalition member companies within environmental and social impact areas on Impact Programs and Partnerships, Global Relevance and Recognition, Equal Partnership and Higg Index Development.</p> <p>#designinnovation #higgindex #sustainableapparelcoalition</p> |
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Conference Day 1 AM: 7 September 2017
Hong Kong Best Practices

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| KEYNOTE | Ms. Ronna Chao, Chairman of Novetex Textiles Limited |
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About

Novetex is one of the world's largest single site yarn spinners and a perfect example that has long-established eco-friendly policies and practices through investing tremendous resources and efforts in setting environmental standards and certifications for its processes and end products.

"In order for any industry to be sustainable, practices have to be sustainable, they have to be adaptable to the changes in conditions and times."

Ms. Chao not only illustrates the company's operational sustainability initiatives, but also its efforts in raw materials sourcing, waste water handling and resources optimization to enhance the eco-friendliness of its operations.

#bestpractices #ecofriendlyoperations



PANEL DISCUSSION

Mr. Peter Cornthwaite, Chief Executive Officer of World Wide Fund for Nature Hong Kong
Hon Felix Chung Kwok-pan, Member of Legislative Council
Mr. Edwin Keh, Chief Executive Officer of The Hong Kong Research Institute of Textiles and Apparel

Moderator: Prof Philip Yeung, Executive Director of Clothing Industry Training Authority

About

This panel discussion provides a perfect debate platform to exchange views from our panel members, each representing a standpoint from a research institute, an international green association and a legislator representing Hong Kong's textile and apparel industry.

“What are the biggest challenges in achieving sustainable fashion in Hong Kong?”

Panelists debate about the change of mindset of stakeholders and consumers as well as how Hong Kong enterprises can make use of their knowledge, ability and foundation to contribute to developing Hong Kong as the sustainable fashion hub in Asia.

#sustainablefashion #biggestchallenges #textileindustry



From left to right: Prof. Philip Yeung, Mr. Peter Cornthwaite, Hon Felix Chung and Mr. Edwin Keh

Conference Day 1 PM: 7 September 2017
Innovation & Technology Symposium 2017 – Innovation & Technology (N201)
Rethink – Out of the Box

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| KEYNOTE SPEAKER | Dr. Carlo Imo, President of Kering Asia Pacific Limited |
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About

“More than ever I am convinced that sustainability can redefine business value and drive future growth.”

By outlining the sustainability strategy of the company, Dr. Carlo Imo shares his corporate brand vision in creating value and competitive advantage. The company cares for its impact on the planet, on climate change and on natural resources by:

Reducing its environmental footprint

- Reduce Environmental Profit & Loss by 40% by 2025
- Reduce CO2 emissions by 50% by 2025

Preserving our raw materials

- Trace all of its raw materials (cotton, leather, precious skins, wool) to ensure responsible supply chain
- Deploy dedicated social environmental and animal welfare standards across 100% of its supply chains

#environmentalprofitandloss #materialsinnovationlab



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| KEYNOTE SPEAKER | Prof Xiangwu Zhang, Professor and Associate Dean for Research at College of Textiles, North Carolina State University |
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About

The Keynote speaker shares in this session his insights on the Textile Research and Development: Where Tradition meets Innovation. The Nonwovens Institute is the largest industry cooperative research center in the nation.

Vertical Integration is Key

Create Knowledge → Add Value → Transfer Knowledge

Faculty impact:

- >\$15 M research and testing funding / year
- 168 separate companies and 6 government agencies
- Economic impact: >\$61 M
- > 160 publications / year

#textileprotectionandcomfortcenter #zeistextileextension



Conference Day 1 PM: 7 September 2017

Innovation & Technology Symposium 2017 – Innovation & Technology (N201)

PANEL DISCUSSION I
WHO IS RESPONSIBLE
FOR CLOSING THE
LOOP?

Mr. Erik Bang, Program Manager, H&M Foundation
Dr. Kanji Kajiwar, Faculty Coordinator & Research Fellow, Shinshu University, Japan
Mr. Alex Young, Group CEO, TexRay Industrial Co., Ltd.
Mr. Robert van de Kerkhof, Chief Commercial Officer, Lenzing Group

Moderator:

Mr. Edwin Keh, Chief Executive Officer of The Hong Kong Research Institute of Textiles and Apparel

About

The global panel of experts and stakeholders of the supply chain talk about the paradigm shift on recycling and how the limited natural resources to be efficiently used.

“95% of the energy is saved by recycling vs making a new one”

How to close a loop of fashion life? Panelists brings in their respective expertise and know-how to address this subject, with solutions ranging from Recycling, innovative performance fibre to an Open Disruptive Innovation Textile & Apparel Ecosystem to catalyze the smooth transition from a Linear to a Circular Economy

#circulareconomy #sustainablefashion #closetheloop



From left to right: Mr. Edwin Keh, Mr. Erik Bang, Dr. Kanji Kajiwar, Mr. Alex Young and Mr. Robert van de Kerkhof

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Innovation & Technology Symposium 2017 – Innovation & Technology (N201)

PANEL DISCUSSION II
 NEW INITIATIVES
 HELP ENVIRONMENT
 AND BUSINESS
 SIMULTANEOUSLY

Ms. Janice Wang, Chief Executive Officer, Alvanon HK, Ltd
 Dr. Sven Herrmann, Lead, Circular Fibres Initiative, Ellen MacArthur Foundation
 Prof. Debera Johnson, Executive Director, Brooklyn Fashion + Design Accelerator
 Mr. Barry McGeough, Group Vice President, Innovation Next, PVH

Moderator:
 Mr. Barry McGeough, PVH

About

This panel discussion touches on the challenges and business profitability of the textile industry through innovation and sustainability.

“By 2020, 80% of the brand’s apparel materials will be made with sustainable fibers.”

Panelists share their visions including:

- circular fibres initiative
- circular economy – an industrial system that is restorative by design
- innovation, sustainability and the triple bottom line
- sustainability vs technology

#circulareconomy #circularfibresinitiative #triplebottomline



From left to right: Mr. Barry McGeough, Ms. Janice Wang, Dr. Sven Herrmann and Prof. Debera Johnson

Conference Day 1 PM: 7 September 2017
Sustainable Manufacturing & Responsible Sourcing (N206-208)

KEYNOTE SPEAKER
SUSTAINABLE
MANUFACTURING

Mr. Edgar Tung, Managing Director, Esquel Group

About

Mr. Tung details about the sustainable initiatives of his company to weave for a sustainable future.

“When we talk about Sustainability, I think it is very important that we look at the entire supply chain. What we are doing in Esquel is try to look at sustainability in different perspectives”

Mr. Tung demonstrates how companies or manufacturers in the textile industry can become more sustainable in various aspects by introducing the sustainable model of Esquel, which consists in harmonized development rather than resource exploitation. The four areas where Esquel focuses its sustainable efforts are:

- 1) People
- 2) Planet
- 3) Product
- 4) Community

#People #Planet #Product #Community



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| KEYNOTE SPEAKER RESPONSIBLE SOURCING | Ms. Jill Tucker, Head of Supply Chain Innovation and Transformation, C&A Foundation |
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About

This Keynote Speaker is recognized within the apparel and footwear industries and her session focuses on changing the status quo to achieve true responsible sourcing.

“While the world has changed around us, the world of responsible sourcing has not changed that much”

Ms. Jill Tucker underlines that the world of responsible sourcing has not changed that much. To foster responsible sourcing and improving working conditions in the industry, she raises three important methods:

- Public transparency as a means to motivate improvement
- Engaging workers and enable them to voice opinions
- Demand policy change and enforcement

She also emphasizes the importance of various parties in the industry joining hands together to effect real change.

#sourcingresponsibly #embrace transparency



Conference Day 1 PM: 7 September 2017
Sustainable Manufacturing & Responsible Sourcing (N206-208)

**PANEL DISCUSSION
 SUSTAINABLE
 MANUFACTURING:
 TRANSFORMATION
 FOR FUTURE SUCCESS**

Mr. Paul Tai, Regional Director, Mainetti Group
 Mr. David W. Johnston, Regional Operations Director of Asia, American & Efird (HK) Ltd.
 Ms. Tracy Nilsson, Senior Director, Social Environmental Affairs, Adidas Group
 Ms. Fukumi Hauser, Project Director, Sustainability of Fung Academy, Fung Group

Moderator:
 Ms. Dawn McGregor, China Water Risk

About

Moderated by the representative of China Water Risk, a non-profit initiative dedicated in fostering a more efficient and responsible use of China's water resources, this panel brings together stakeholders of the industry to discuss about the transformation of manufacturing for a sustainable future.

“In the future, what does sustainable manufacturing look like to you?”

The panelists agree that embracing transparency should be the way forward to sustainable manufacturing. By practicing transparency and allowing public and everyone in the company to know what happens in the manufacturing process, it would leave more room for collaboration and communication within staff and even among brands. A multi-dimensional approach would also include building human capability and innovating new technologies or materials which are already in progress with the example of “Smart Factory”.

#sustainablemanufacturing #responsiblesourcing



From left to right: Ms. Fukumi Hauser, Ms. Tracy Nilsson, Mr. David W. Johnston, Mr. Paul Tai and Ms. Dawn McGregor

Conference Day 1 PM: 7 September 2017

Sustainable Manufacturing & Responsible Sourcing (N206-208)

PANEL DISCUSSION
HOW ARE BRANDS
RESPONDING TO
RESPONSIBLE
SOURCING?

Mr. Aaron Tam, Senior Manager of Environmental Capability Building, GAP Inc.
Ms. Jennifer Tam, Business Development Director, Chickslifestyle
Ms. Christelle Esquirol, Vice President, Sustainability, TAL Apparel Ltd.
Mr. Javier Goyeneche, President and Founder, ECOALF
Moderator:
Prof. Philip Yeung, Executive Director, Clothing Industry Training Authority (CITA)

About

This panel brings together stakeholders from the brand side and also the manufacturer side to discuss the role of brands in responsible sourcing and how they can achieve it.

“What is the key to responsible sourcing?”

The panelists agree that persistence is the most important thing to achieving responsible sourcing as it would take a lot of time and effort from the part of the brands. In addition, more education and information should be provided to all parties in the entire supply chain, starting from the designers to the customers in order to instill in them the attitude of being more responsible and choosing more wisely.

#sustainablemanufacturing #responsiblesourcing



From left to right: Ms. Christelle Esquirol, Mr. Javier Goyeneche, Ms. Jennifer Tam, Mr. Aaron Tam and Prof. Philip Yeung

Conference Day 2 AM: 8 September 2017
Plenary II (N201)

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| KEYNOTE PRESENTATION 1 | Mr. Rick Ridgeway, Vice President of Public Engagement, Patagonia |
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About

Mr. Ridgeway shares his views on how brands in the industry can educate consumers to engage in the journey of sustainable fashion and what Patagonia has proposed and achieved in this regard.

“Think about what you, as individuals, and your roles in businesses can do and what are your responsibilities?”

Expanded from a blacksmith shop, Patagonia has expanded its business into producing outfits such as shirts and pants for climbers in the 70s. The inspiration and founding culture of the company lies in its experience in the nature, which directly leads to the company’s commitment to environmental protection.

#sustainablefashion #nature #commitmenttoenvironmentalprotection



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| KEYNOTE PRESENTATION II | Engaging Youth/Community in the Sustainability Ms. Vanessa Cheung, Managing Director, Nan Fung Development Ltd |
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About

Ms. Cheung talks about what sustainability means to the Mills and what they have done in particular to engage the youth and community in the journey of sustainability.

**“I hear and I forget
I see and I remember
I do and I understand”**

Leading the Mills project, which is a transformation of the old Nan Fung textile mills factory into a global destination of textile innovation, with incubation programme and experimental retail space, as well as textile related art and culture. The Mills runs programmes to help startups to develop into a sustainable business responsible to the environment.

#youthandcommunity #incubationprogramme



Conference Day 2 AM: 8 September 2017
Plenary II (N201)

PANEL DISCUSSION:
GIVE A NEW LIFE TO WASTE

Mr. Kevin Cheung Wai Chun, Upcycling Product Designer
Mr. C L Lam, Creative Director, Green & Associates (HK) Limited
Mr. Patrick Yeung Chung Wing, Project Manager, Marine, WWF-Hong Kong
Mr. Toiny Pang, Technical Sustainability Manager, Marks & Spencer (M&S)

Moderator:

Ms. Karen Ho, Business Engagement Leader, Climate, WWF-Hong Kong

About

What is Waste? Is it just materials in the wrong place or at the wrong time?

The panel discussion deals with efforts of businesses and industries across the spectrum for the development of climate programmes and fostered collaboration initiatives that help make the community and corporations more sustainable.

Panelists talk about how they deal with the culture and consuming habits of Hong Kong people that leads to a wasteful lifestyle in this compact metropolitan. Insufficient education on both household and corporate levels that needs to be addressed in order to foster the Reduce and Recycle concept.

#whatiswaste #reduce #recycle



From left to right: Ms. Karen Ho, Mr. Kevin Cheung Wai Chun, Mr. C L Lam, Mr. Patrick Yeung Chung Wing and Mr. Toiny Pang

Conference Day 2 AM: 8 September 2017
Plenary II (N201)

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| <p>PANEL DISCUSSION: MOBILISING CONSUMERS</p> | <p>Ms. Orsola de Castro, Fashion Designer & Co-founder of Estethica, Co-founder of Fashion Revolution Ms. Hanna Hallin, Sustainability Manager, Sales Market Greater China, H&M Ms. Jacinta Fitzgerald, Chief Operating Officer, Project JUST Ms. Bianca Alexander, Creative Director, Conscious Living TV</p> <p>Moderator: Dr. Christina Dean, Founder of REDRESS</p> |
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About

This panel discussion brings together fashion experts to talk about cultivating consumers on responsible consumption.

“What’s your opinion on the consumers today?”

Panelists share their views on today’s trend of consumer behavior on responsible consumption and their engagement in understanding the social and environmental impact of the fashion industry. Unanimously agreed in the panel that the trend is moving in the right direction as the audience has become increasingly fast and proactive, discussion now turned to whether the change is fast enough and what will be the next step that consumers can do to contribute to the change.

#responsibleconsumption #consumerbehaviour



From left to right: Dr. Christina Dean, Ms. Orsola de Castro, Ms. Hanna Hallin, Ms. Jacinta FitzGerald and Ms. Bianca Alexander

ANNOUNCEMENT OF
FASHION FUTURE
CHALLENGE AWARD

Ms. Cherry Chan
PIC, The Mills

About

The vision and objective of Fashion Future Challenge Award is unveiled in this announcement session.

“Industry is reaching a watershed moment”

Consumers now have different demands from the past on products and brands, expecting the products available in the market are eco-friendly, functional and integrated with technology. The skills and knowledge needed might be beyond what the industry is capable of, leading to an urgent need of new thinking and actionable ideas to develop potential solutions on sustainable fashion.

#fashionfuturechallengeaward #newthinking #sustainablefashion



Conference Day 2 PM: 8 September 2017
Design & Education (N201)

KEYNOTE SPEAKER I
 EQUIPPING
 DESIGNERS

Dr. Christina Dean, Founder, REDRESS

About

Founder of Redress, Dr. Dean has successfully grown Redress from its inception in Hong Kong to a globally recognized environmental NGO working to reduce waste in the fashion industry. Her speech focuses on the Power of Designers, as 80% of a product's environmental impact is locked in at the design stage.

“Do designers not understand enough how design affects the environment?”

A survey conducted indicates that 97% of emerging designers think that sustainable design is important, whereas another survey showed that 44% of fresh graduates are dissatisfied with the level of sustainable fashion education that they have received. The session talks about the gap between the expectation from students and the actual education provided in today's busy academic curriculum.

#powerofdesigners #sustainablefashioneducation



KEYNOTE SPEAKER II
INCREASING THE
POWER OF APPAREL
SUPPLIERS WITH
BETTER BUYING

Dr. Marsha A. Dickson, Co-founder, Better Buying; Professor,
University of Delaware, USA

About

Dr. Marsha A. Dickson, Co-founder of Better Buying & Professor at University of Delaware details the mission of “**Better Buying**”.

Better Buying Mission

The overarching goal of Better Buying is to support industry-wide transformation of buyer purchasing practices so that business relationships support suppliers in providing decent workplace conditions.

This goal is to be achieved by widely disseminating detailed data and analysis on the purchasing practices of buying companies using supplier ratings submitted biannually, and working with stakeholders to accelerate industry-wide improvements.

#betterbuying #education #ratings



Conference Day 2 PM: 8 September 2017
Design & Education (N201)

PANEL DISCUSSION I
SUSTAINABLE
PRACTICES
IN
EDUCATION

Dr. Alison Gwilt, Reader in Fashion and Sustainability, Sheffield Hallam University, UK
 Mrs. Orit Freilich, Senior Lecturer, Shenkar – engineering.design.art, Israel
 Dr. Marsha A. Dickson, Co-founder, Better Buying; Professor, University of Delaware, USA
 Ms. Xuefei Sun, Associate Professor, Beijing Fashion Institute of Technology
 Ms. Cherry Chan
 PIC, The Mills

Moderator:
 Ms. Cassandra Ng, Hong Kong Design Institute (HKDI)

About

The panel focuses on the importance of inter-disciplinary collaboration to sustainability development in Education and panelists' sharing of experiences to tackle challenges.

Who should be collaborating?

Panel members share their insights on who should be collaborating, from departmental, inter-disciplinary, institutional, industry NGO to government. How to integrate sustainability into the fashion design curriculum is the key and the goal is to change curriculum on a global scale to better reflect the current state of Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) and sustainability in the fashion industry, and to empower students to become change agents.

#sustainablepractices #education



From left to right: Ms. Cassandra Ng, Dr. Alison Gwilt, Mrs. Orit Freilich, Dr. Marsha A. Dickson, Ms. Xuefei Sun and Ms. Cherry Chan

Conference Day 2 PM: 8 September 2017
Design & Education (N201)

PANEL DISCUSSION II
SLOWING DOWN
FASHION IN ASIA

Mr. Hans Martin Galliker, Co-founder, NEEMIC and Beijing Fashion Collective

Mr. Tong Yeung, Director, Mecilla Ltd.

Ms. Terry Fok, General Merchandising Manager, New Balance

Mr. Angus Tsui, Creative Director, ANGUS TSUI

Moderator:

Ms. Daniela Wei, Bloomberg LP

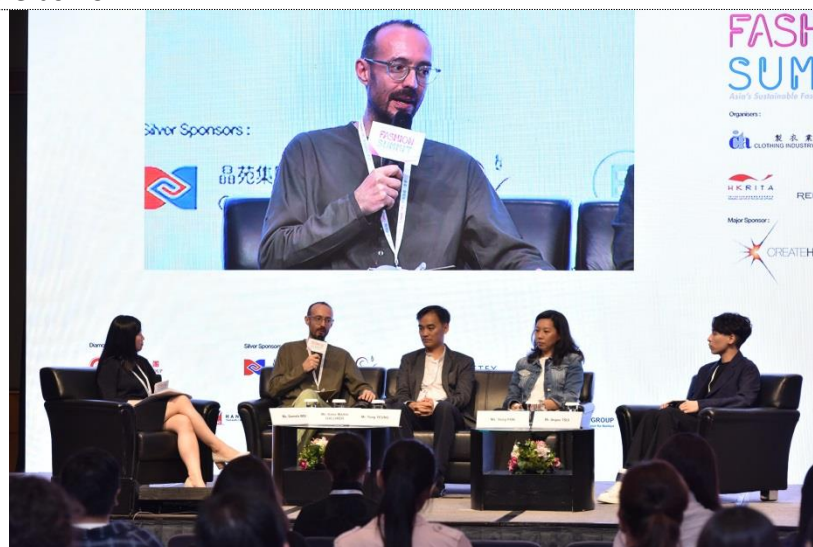
About

Striving for a balance between social responsibility and business profitability, this panel is composed of speakers from large sportswear manufacturer, sustainable agricultural project operator and designers in profession to discuss about the ideal business model of slow fashion.

Why the industry starts talking about slowing down the fashion and what are the challenges?

The speakers illustrate the sustainable initiatives of their company and products, from fair trade production to slow fashion marketing. The panel also addresses the conflicts of interests between business profitability and sustainability.

#slowfashion #sustainablefashion



From left to right: Ms. Daniela Wei, Mr. Hans Martin Galliker, Mr. Tong Yeung, Ms. Terry Fok and Mr. Angus Tsui

Conference Day 2 PM: 8 September 2017

Innovation & Technology Symposium 2017 – New Format for Sustainable Era (N206-8)

KEYNOTE SPEAKER I
CONNECTING
SUSTAINABILITY &
TECHNOLOGY

Prof. Debera Johnson, Executive Director, Brooklyn Fashion + Design Accelerator

About

The Keynote Speaker shares her vision on connecting sustainability and technology through the development of Sustainable Fashion Design Strategies.

“80% of the impact of a product is determined in the design phase.”

Prof. Johnson introduces the work of Brooklyn Fashion + Design Accelerator in supporting designers with necessary resources for running sustainable business. She explains the Sustainable Road Map which illustrates the available sustainable strategies, materials and technologies in each step of the product design process as well as brining up several example of “smart garments” produced by BFDA.

#sustainableroadmap #smartgarment



KEYNOTE SPEAKER II
THINKING BEYOND
INCREMENTAL
IMPROVEMENT – A
CIRCULAR ECONOMY
FOR TEXTILES

Dr. Sven Herrmann, Lead, Circular Fibres Initiative, Ellen MacArthur Foundation

About

Dr. Herrmann highlights the concept of rethinking the global textiles system, starting with clothing.

“What actually should happen, is a circular system. A system that is designed in a way that there is no waste and pollution.”

Dr. Herrmann criticizes our current textile system which is a linear system. To effect a real change, he advocates a circular economy for textiles. He lists out the following directions to achieve a circular economy:

- Phase out substances of concern
- Phase out leakage of micro-fibers
- Increase clothing utilisation by permitting consumers to get the most value from the clothing
- Re-use and re-cycle clothing

#circulareconomy #reuse #recycling



Conference Day 2 PM: 8 September 2017

Innovation & Technology Symposium 2017 – New Format for Sustainable Era (N206-8)

PANEL DISCUSSION NEW FORMAT FOR SUSTAINABLE ERA

Ms. Carol Chyau, Founder & CEO, SHOKAY
Dr. Li Li, Associate Professor, Institute of Textile and Clothing, The Hong Kong Polytechnic University
Mr. Desmond Ko, Founder & Director, Leatherteq Limited
Ms. Dawn McGregor, Projects & Network Manager, China Water Risk

Moderator:

Ms. Janice Wang, CEO of Alvanon HK, Ltd

About

For this session, the panelists first give short individual presentations on new sustainable materials and fibers for the future era as well as a case study of the impact of China's water resources on its fashion industry. A panel discussion then ensues where panelists discuss their vision for the future sustainable era.

“Textile manufacturers have invested more in sustainability measures to comply with tighter government regulations”

The panelists agreed that tighter government regulations have led to more sustainability measures. The consolidation of industry also contributes as the big industries that did not have to close down have more incentives to invest in future sustainability plans. Nevertheless, it is still important for the brands and manufacturers to put more efforts in this regard, for example, to increase the traceability in the industry.

#chinawaterresources #governmentregulations



From left to right: Ms. Janice Wang, Ms. Carol Chyau, Ms. Dawn McGregor, Mr. Desmond Ko and Dr. Li Li

Conference Profile

Attendees profile

Anyone interested in the concept of “Sustainable Fashion”, who wants to be updated with the new technologies, innovation and the latest trends on sustainable fashion:

- Fashion business leaders, entrepreneurs, manufacturers and designers
- Fashion students
- Academics
- Government policy makers
- Non-government organisations and environmental organisations
- Media

Exhibition

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| Location: | N203-5 |
| No of Exhibitors: | 7 Sponsors + Organizers & Strategic Partner |



Testimonials:



Mr. Edward Yau, GBS, JP, Secretary for Commerce and Economic Development
The Government of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region

I am delighted to have participated in the Fashion Summit (HK) 2017 which is such a unique fashion gala.

Themed “Zero Impact”, the two-day conference brought together internationally renowned academics, key players from the fashion industry and NGOs to explore the development of sustainable fashion. The occasion has further enhanced Hong Kong’s status as a regional fashion hub in Asia and established the pioneering role of the Hong Kong fashion industry in protecting the environment.

I wish the Fashion Summit every success in providing leadership to the fashion industry and in creating new trends for the next generations!

Javier Goyeneche, President and Founder, ECOALF

"I truly believe that only by sharing expertise and knowledge we will be able to make the shift that the fashion world needs to be more sustainable.

Fashion cannot just be about looking good. It also has to be about doing what is right and feeling good about it. Fashion Summit is one such platform that enables exchange of knowledge."

Prof. Xiangwu Zhang, Associate Dean for Research, College of Textiles, North Carolina State University

"I enjoyed my time in Fashion Summit 2017. The summit was extremely well organized and the presentations were of high quality. Due to my own schedule problem, I was only able to attend the first day of the summit. But I found that I learned a lot in the first day, and I wish I was able to attend the events in the second day."

Alex Young, Group CEO, TexRay Industrial Co., Ltd

"The Fashion Summit is an incredibly successful and insightful event!

It serves well as a wonderful platform for advanced knowledge sharing & the enhancement of best practices regarding sustainable fashion.

We shall continue to support the efforts of the Fashion Summit to enable paradigm shifts in promoting sustainable fashion."

What visitors say

"I'm very grateful to have joined the summit this year. It's full of passionate speakers on sustainable fashion from a macro perspective."

"The sharing is valuable, useful, speakers contributes a lot. Lovely to have such kind of events for Fashion in HK. Hope there is some more kind of these events in the future."

"Thank you for bringing this to HK."

"Good mix of business and civil society. Maybe even more panels than keynotes."

Information

For more information about Fashion Summit (HK), please visit:

Official website of Fashion Summit (HK): www.fashionsummit.hk

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/fashionsummithk2017/>

Youtube: [Fashion Summit HK 2017](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=...)

Instagram: <https://www.instagram.com/fashionsummithk2017/>

Video Archive and Photo Gallery

Video Archive:

https://novacast.nova.hk/events/fs2017_archive/nm_list

Photos Gallery

<http://www.fashionsummit.hk/index.php/en/events/photo-albums>

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