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Reduced carbon footprint for performance knits Anne Prahl

The Journey to Carbon Neutrality at face-to-face Performance Days event in Munich.



Focus Topic Area
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Functional fabric fair Performance Days held its first physical show in over two years from the 27th to the 28th of April in Munich. 186 exhibitors presented their latest collections to 2813 visitors, while the fair's focus topic investigated 'The Journey to Carbon Neutrality' by showcasing fabrics, which demonstrate a reduced carbon footprint through raw material choices, as well as energy-saving measures and resource conservation during production.

Recycled & bio-based synthetics

Polyester is the most ubiquitous fabric in the performance knit sector and the choice for recycled options continues to grow in line with demand from designers and consumers. Compared to conventional polyester, industry figures on the reduction of CO2 emissions vary widely between 20% and 70%, as savings depend on production methods and region, as well as whether the PET feedstock is mechanically or chemically recycled.