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### THIRD MEETING OF THE WINTEX PROJECT

On November 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup>, the third project meeting of WINTEX was organized virtually.

The aim of WINTEX is to establish a collaboration between the participating European organizations and the ones Tunisia, by creating a network, which may benefit the textile industry in the countries involved in the project.

During the virtual meeting, the different partners reviewed the general status of the project, the planning for the next semester and the different mitigation plans to continue despite the current COVID-19 situation. Key topics reviewed included the national report of the textile sector in Tunisia that will be soon published in the project website and the best practices selected from Europe.

The second key aspect for the meeting was the review of potential equipment and infrastructure that Tunisian partners aim to acquire during the next stage of the project and the tendering process that will be launched during next year.

Progress in other aspects of the project were also presented, such as the launch of the [website](#) and communication materials, as well as the analysis of the operation of its social media profiles and the launch of the semi-annual project [newsletter](#), available on the website.

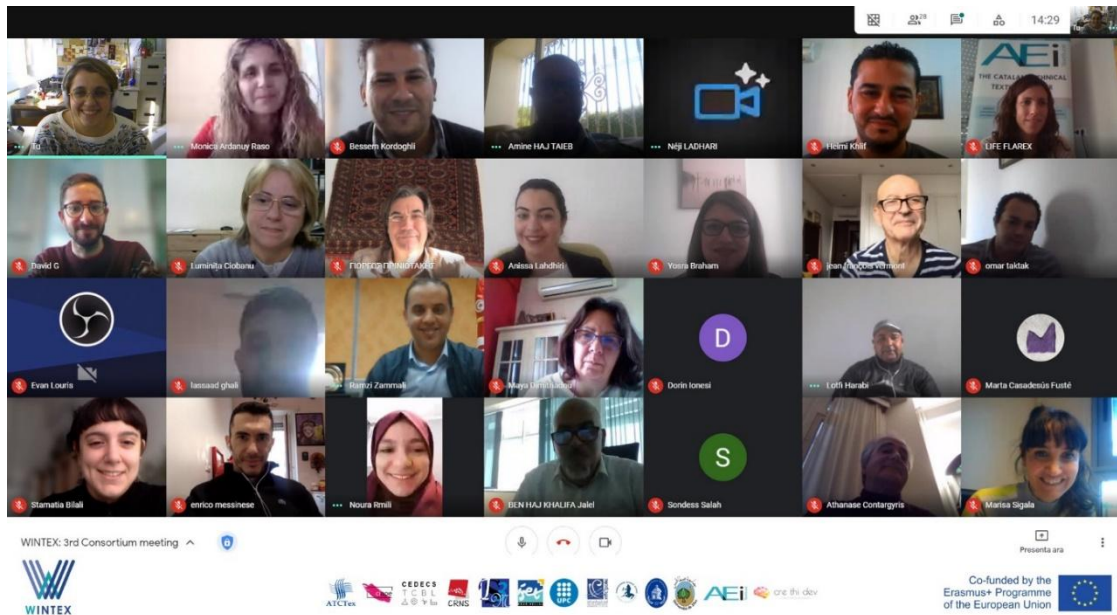
The next follow-up meeting of WINTEX is scheduled for next spring.

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WINTEX consortium during the meeting

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The project started on January 15<sup>th</sup> 2020, it has a duration of 3 years and a total budget of 999.998 €.

The project coordinator is the [Universitat Politècnica de Catalunya](#) (UPC) and it counts with the participation of [AEI Tèxtils](#), the Catalan cluster of technical textiles, also established in Terrassa. Five additional partners complete the European part of the consortium: the [University of West Attica](#) (UNIWA) and [CRE.THI.DEV](#) in Greece, [CIAPE](#) in Italy, [Gheorghe Asachi Technical University of Iasi](#) in Romania and [CEDEC](#)s from France. The partnership is completed with six partners from Tunisia: 3 universities ([University of Sfax](#), [University of Monastir](#) and the [Higher Institute of Technological Studies of Ksar Hellal-ISET](#)), one cluster ([MFC-Pôle](#)), one association ([Association of Tunisian Textile Researchers-ATCTex](#)) and a research center ([CRNS](#)).

WINTEX project aims to fill the gap in the area of specialized services for the textile sector, with the establishment of three innovation textile centers located at the participating Higher Education Institutions in Tunisia. These centers will play the role of focal points for the textile sector and relevant stakeholders to bloom innovations and promoting entrepreneurship.

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