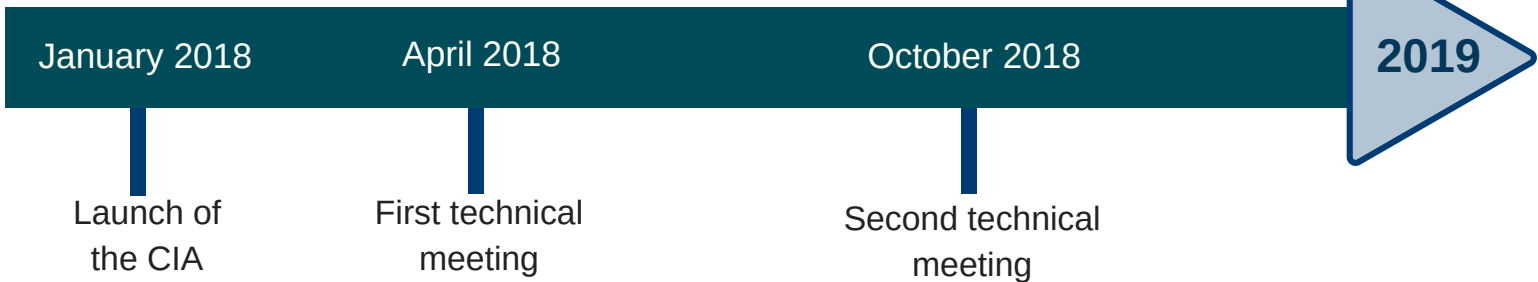


CROSS INDUSTRY AGREEMENT - 1 YEAR AFTER: WHAT HAS BEEN ACHIEVED?

PHASE 1:



3 MAIN OBJECTIVES

1. Define a **test method**
2. Share **knowledge**
3. Support industrial **research**

5 EU ASSOCIATIONS
supporting coordination of...

KEY NUMBERS



12 RESEARCH INSTITUTES
from Germany, Italy, Hong Kong, Japan, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Norway, the UK and the US **participating in...**



2 TECHNICAL MEETINGS
that compared...

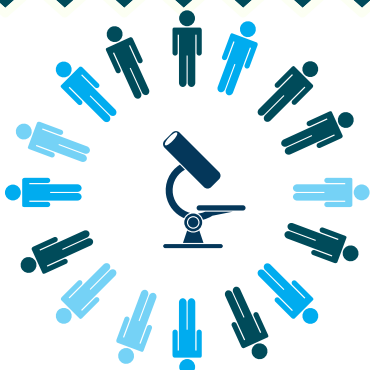


10 TEST METHODS
and considered...

25 PARAMETERS

MAIN SUCCESS

Building a research community to achieve a single test method





Industry unites in the fight against microplastic release from the washing of synthetic textiles

16 January 2019

Brussels

A world class research community spurred from the Cross Industry Agreement, one year after its announcement. The road for common test method is laid out.

One year after five European industry associations announced the joint action and 3 common objectives (define a test method, share knowledge and support industrial research), a community of researchers and scientists has emerged and launched a collaboration to tackle the release of Microplastics from washing of synthetic textiles.

Researchers from leading institutes in Germany, Italy, Hong Kong, Japan, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland Norway, the United Kingdom and the United States met twice in Brussels over 2018, in April and October to present progress of their own research in understanding the causes and features of the release of Microplastics.

The physical meetings and follow up discussions have been instrumental to assess results, learn from peers as well as to pave the way for a single harmonised test method whose core features have now been defined.

The CIA 5 industry associations A.I.S.E., CIRFS, EOG, EURATEX and FESI express great satisfaction for the collaboration set up within the research community and renew their commitment to pursue the CIA goals in 2019.

Meetings reports and more information available: www.euratex.eu/cia