

# ITMF Start-up Award winners to present at Samarkand

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The International Textile Manufacturers Federation (ITMF) has announced the winners of the ITMF Start-up Award 2024. These innovative start-ups will present their innovative business models at the upcoming ITMF & IAF Conference, taking place from September 8-10, 2024, in Samarkand, Uzbekistan. The event is co-hosted by the Uzbek Textile & Apparel Industry Association (UZTS).

The ITMF Start-up Award aims to provide a platform for start-ups to showcase their innovations and connect with established companies across the textile value chain. The 2024 winners, selected for their forward-thinking approaches, include:

**RE&UP Recycling Technologies (Netherlands):** Specializing in scalable recycling technologies for high-performance fibers, RE&UP is at the forefront of sustainable solutions in the textile industry.

**Sci-Lume Labs (USA):** Their product, Bylon, is a scalable, melt-spun fiber developed without oil or waste, representing a significant leap towards eco-friendly textile production.

**Sycoretex CAS (China):** Known for Sycore-Tex, a material using topological softgel for ultra-thermal insulation, Sycoretex is revolutionizing textile insulation materials.

**Syre Impact (Sweden):** Focused on textile-to-textile recycling, Syre hyperscales the recycling process, pushing the boundaries of sustainability in fashion.

These start-ups will have the opportunity to engage directly with industry leaders, fostering collaboration and driving the future of the global textile industry.