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Twelve months ago, in March 2020, the ITMF-Secretariat conducted a survey about the impact of the Corona pandemic on the global textile industry. A month earlier, many parts of the world were still hoping that the Coronavirus could be contained and did not expect a pandemic that would hit the world. A year later we know better. The global textile value chain underwent an extremely disruptive, unpredictable, and uncertain period. The end of the pandemic is in sight, but the social and economic impacts will be felt in the future.

What started as a small survey mainly looking at whether orders were cancelled - and/or delayed - and turnover impacted by the various lockdowns announced in Europe turned into the so-called series of ITMF Corona-Surveys. All seven surveys have the objective to provide information about the state of - and the outlook for - the global textile industry in the different regions of the world. The latest surveys added the coverage of various segments of the textile value chain such as chemical and textile machinery producers.

The intention of these surveys is to shed light on our industry from a global and regional perspective. This should help industry associations and business leaders to better understand the underlying dynamics and forces facing our industry. We hope that you will find the results of the 7th ITMF Corona-Survey informative and useful.



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