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In this edition of the ITMF newsletter, the second part of the findings of the 8<sup>th</sup> ITMF Corona-Survey are shared. By having taken this unique survey, companies along the entire textile value chain and around the world help to better understand the situation and prospects regarding "order intake", "order backlog", and "capacity utilization rate". Furthermore, participants of the survey also commented on the relevance of physical trade fairs in a post-Covid-19-time.

This edition also includes a second round of ITMF Industry Statements 2021. Links to four very informative video-recordings await you. Alongside these statements you will also find three short articles about the findings of ITMF's 2020 edition of the International Textile Machinery Shipment Statistics (ITMSS) covering the segments spinning and draw-texturing machinery.

Finally, ITMF is engaging in initiatives that are aiming to overcome both audit and standard fatigue. In the section "Partner News" you will find a short article about efforts in this direction by SLCP and SCI plus a link to a more extensive article "Fatigue Factor" in the May 2021-edition of Fibre2Fashion magazine.



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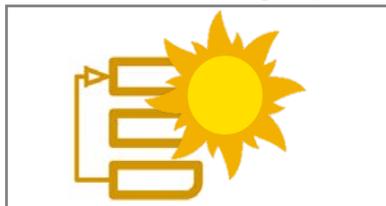
### Article 1: Satisfactory order intake throughout the value chain in May 2021



The 8<sup>th</sup> ITMF Corona-Survey revealed that most companies along the textile value chain were satisfied with their order intake in May 2021 and are expecting the recovery to continue in the next six months.

[> read more \(members only\)](#)

### Article 2: Order backlog expected to remain stable throughout 2021



Participants to the 8<sup>th</sup> ITMF Corona-Survey expect order backlog to remain stable throughout the year, on average, except in segments with an already high backlog in May 2021.

[> read more \(members only\)](#)

### Article 3: Capacity utilisation rate was at 71% in the global textile value chain in May 2021



Capacity utilisation rate in the global textile value chain has reached 71% in May 2021 and is expected to remain stable, on average, until November 2021 according to the survey participants.

[> read more \(members only\)](#)

### Article 4: Physical participation to trade fairs will remain important post-Covid-19



Virtual trade fairs have been used in the last 18 months – during the pandemic – to help companies display their products digitally. The 8<sup>th</sup> ITMF Corona-Survey reveals that companies across all segments and regions find physical participation to trade fairs still relevant.

[> read more \(members only\)](#)

### Article 5: Shipments of short-staple spindles dropped by -50% in 2020



The latest International Textile Machinery Shipment Statistics (ITMSS) published earlier this month shows that shipments of new short-staple spindles decreased by almost -50% in 2020 compared to 2019.

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## Article 6: Shipments of rotors to Europe grew in 2020



The latest International Textile Machinery Shipment Statistics (ITMSS) shows that global shipments of new rotors decreased by -26% in 2020 but deliveries to Europe (incl. Turkey) increased.

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## Article 7: China's share in global texturing spindles grew in 2020



The latest International Textile Machinery Shipment Statistics (ITMSS) reveals that the share of total new texturing spindles delivered to China continued to grow in 2020 while global shipments of texturing spindles decreased.

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## ITMF news

# ITMF Industry Statement on the spinning machinery market is ready to watch

by Dr Olivier Zieschank, director, ITMF

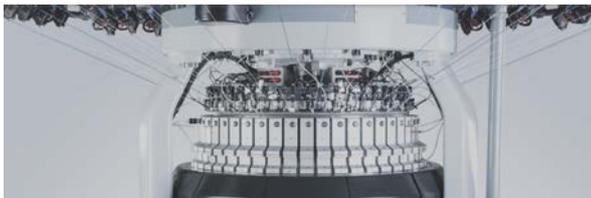


Spinning machinery industry: Learn what are the **drivers of the current market recovery** in this interview with Dr Klapper, CEO of Rieter.

[> click here to watch the video on ITMF's Virtual Textile Machinery Workshop \(members only\)](#)

# ITMF Industry Statement on the knitting machinery market is ready to watch

by Dr Olivier Zieschank, director, ITMF



Knitting machinery industry: Learn how the **demand for knitted fabric** has grown in this interview with Mr. Mayer, CEO of Mayer & Cie.

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# ITMF Industry Statement on the weaving machinery market is ready to watch

by Dr Olivier Zieschank, director, ITMF



Weaving machinery industry: Learn that the **Fast Fashion recovery** and **consumption trends in emerging countries** will sustain growth according to this interview with Mr. De Micheli, sales director of ITEMA Group.

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# ITMF Industry Statement on the manmade fibre industry is ready to watch

by Dr Olivier Zieschank, director, ITMF



Manmade fibre industry: Learn about **supply-chain challenges** in this interview with Mr. Wissenberg, head of marketing, communication, and public affairs of the polymer processing solutions division of the Swiss Oerlikon Group

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