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After the Spring Festival Holidays approx. 90% of the Chinese textile industry have resumed production except for the Hubei Province. CNTAC is coordinating the efforts of around 1'000 companies to provide medical textiles needed to protect people from the corona virus.

2. ITMF/IAF Standard Convergence Initiative (SCI) presented at the OECD **Page 1**

ITMF and IAF have presented their joint “Standard Convergence Initiative (SCI)” at the OECD. The SCI aims to reduce duplicative audits by aligning standards and by offering the SLCP-tool which reduces the need to compile data repeatedly. Progress is visible. One company was able to save 20 audits in 2019. But more can and should be done.