



Second Life, groovy fabrics made of recycled plastic bottles !

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Bekaert Textiles Europe proudly presents "Second Life", a fine collection of mattress tickings, using Miroglio Group's top quality New Life™ yarns that have been recycled from used pet bottles.

Yarn spinners Miroglio and textile producers Bekaert Textiles are looking at ways to reduce the ecological footprint of their industrial activity and to improve their eco efficiency.

As there is not enough space on the globe to exclusively live on organic and natural products, we need smart sustainable solutions. Offering novel products to the market, allowing the industry to engage in cradle-to-cradle concepts, is a step in the right direction.

Governments and citizens with a sense of responsibility across the EU are supporting the reduction, collection, recycling and re-use of litter. This is a must if we want to preserve the planet for our grandchildren. Using recycled polyester for yarn production saves energy and reduces water consumption and carbon emission drastically.

"It was crucial for Bekaert European Ticking to engage in this project with the right partner, says Philip Ghekiere, innovation manager of Bekaert Textiles, and our partner Miroglio combines technical expertise, transparent quality assurance with inspiring enthusiasm".

Let us join the big corporations like Nike, Nokia and Sony and re-use millions of bottles, tons of waste for a cleaner world.



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mattress tickings

About Bekaert Textiles:

Bekaert Textiles NV, founded in 1892 and since 1992 a member of Gamma Holding, one of Europe's largest textile groups, is a multi-national company with production units in 7 countries worldwide and headquarters in Belgium. Bekaert Textiles is the leading specialist in the manufacturing of jacquard woven and knitted fabrics: market leader in the worldwide production and supply of bed cover materials. Bekaert European Ticking, with production sites in Turkey and the Czech Republic, is the biggest business unit in the group.

About Miroglio:

Filature Miroglio started in 1981 as a production mill which was exclusively intended to satisfy the Miroglio Group internal demand, but soon this activity was widened to the outside market. Specialized in polyester continuous filament and cotton or viscose discontinuous yarn, today Filature Miroglio produces 20 million Kilograms which represents 20% of Miroglio Textile turnover. Miroglio's production facilities are situated in Saluzzo (Italy), Nova Zagora (Bulgaria) and Boumerdes (Tunisia).



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