



## Swiss Textiles Award presented by Swiss Textile Federation

Every year the Swiss Textiles Award is presented at the Federation's own internationally oriented fashion event, the Stella Fashion Night. The Swiss Textiles Award presented by the Swiss Textile Federation is one of the world's most important prizes for fashion design and enjoys considerable prestige in the fashion scene. The Swiss Textile Federation attaches great importance to supporting talented new designers. The next generation of fashion designers act as ambassadors for the Swiss textile and clothing industry by promoting Swiss textiles abroad and enhancing their reputation for tradition, innovation and creativity.

**Awards show:** At the event, an international jury of top fashion experts decides the winner of the Swiss Textiles Award. The jury judges the creativity, innovativeness and marketability of the collections.

The winner receives a prize worth 100,000 Euros, of which 10,000 Euros are earmarked for the purchase of Swiss fabrics (to be purchased from companies

belonging to the Swiss Textile Federation). The other finalists each receive a voucher for the purchase of Swiss fabrics worth 4,000 Euros.

**Review of past Stella Fashion Night**  
**Stella Fashion Night 2008:** Zurich welcomed the glamorous world of fashion. On 13 November 2008, the fashion promotional prizes – Swiss Textiles Award and annabelle award – were presented at Stella Fashion Night 2008.

- ❖ The label Rodarte, i.e. the sisters Laura and Kate Mulleavy from USA won the Swiss Textiles Award with prize money of 100'000 euros.
- ❖ Judith Kligenfeld from Lörrach won the annabelle award and the right to spend a one year internship with the Missoni team in Sumirago near Milan.

The Swiss Textile Federation (Swiss Textiles) awarded its promotional prize for the ninth time at Stella Fashion Night.

**Special guests of the evening:** 2008 Swiss Textiles Award winner, Marios Schwab, showed the creative development from which he benefited in his winning year by presenting his summer collection. The US fashion designer Patricia Field, famous for the cult series «Sex and the City» and the cinema hit «The Devil wears Prada», also showed her latest collection «Destination Style New York». The annabelle award has been presented by Angela Missoni.

**Virtual and real parts of the show at the Fashion Night:** Two very different presenters took the audience through the evening. In the first part of the program the virtual figure «Stella» created by Alex Postelnicu welcomed the public on a big screen and presented the individual designers with the help of personal photos of them. In the second part of the show, German top model and presenter Franziska Knuppe took over. ♦



Award winner of 2008 (left).

## Santex offers knitted fabric finishing technology

Santex has more than 800 customers worldwide with 145 employees and a total production area of 4,000 square meters, Santex AG makes sales worth over CHF 70 million. Santex with corporate philosophy of customer-oriented made-to-measure products with high quality standards and an acceptable price-performance ratio, continues to produce machinery and equipment that occupies a leading position on the world market. In less than ten years, Santex is among the market leaders in the field of knitted fabric finishing technology.

### High Speed Drying

Santex Group has proven expertise in the developments of its dryers. Santex Santashrink dryer is leading in the tensionless drying, relaxation and shrinkage of knitted and woven fabrics. The Santashrink Super Jumbo dryer reassures the newest state of the art technologies concerning software and operating process, combined with the latest findings of air technology. The restudied air nozzle system combined with intelligent process management achieves the highest evaporation capacities and in addition excellent residual shrinkage results.

### Santashrink Super Jumbo

The Santashrink Super Jumbo was installed at Ari Tekstil in Turkey has exceeded all expectations. Mr. Ari stated that, "he is delighted with the high performance of the dryer. Ari Tekstil is processing tubular knits as well as open width knits and due to the excellent performance of the machine, they have partly switched production from their stenter frames to the Santashrink Super Jumbo due to following features:

- ❖ Higher productivity.
- ❖ Much lower production costs.
- ❖ Better quality in shrinkage values and hand feel.

### Other important solutions provided are summarized below:

- ❖ Curly selvedge problem solved supported by powerful selvedge dryers.
- ❖ Saving in compaction capacities due to high shrinkage values.
- ❖ Automatic lint filter: outstanding removal of lint of enzymatic treated fabrics.

### ENAIRSAVE - the ideal energy saving system

The energy optimized Santashrink Super Jumbo Santex offers an additional energy saving system. The ENAIRSAVE system achieves thermo efficiencies of more than 74%. The system is based on a rotating disc equipped with lamellae with a high surface which leads the exhaust air through it, creating high turbulence and avoiding pressure loss. It allows a high return on the investment period depending on the cost of electricity, gas or thermo oil in each country. Considering the continuous increase of energy costs worldwide this system enjoys already a high reputation. ♦



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