

Award-winning warp knitting training courses

The KARL MAYER Academy China is awarded the prize, "Great Contribution to China's Warp Knitting Industry 2013", on 22nd November 2013.

The KARL MAYER Academy China does not just do good work, it does excellent work, as the latest tribute paid to the company's training centre in Changzhou City shows: on 22 November last year, the academy was awarded the prize, "Great Contribution to China's Warp Knitting Industry 2013", by the Chinese Federation for the Knitting Industry (CKIA-WKA).

With its academy in Changzhou City, KARL MAYER is aiming to complement its range of state-of-the-art machines by making specific training courses available to its customers. The concept has proved to be extremely successful. Since the KARL



The member of the Chinese companies, who received the award "Great contribution to China's warp knitting industry 2013" with Mr. Hua Jiandong, Senior Sales Manager of KARL MAYER (CHINA) and the chairman of labor union (7th from the left).

MAYER Academy China was set up in 2008, more than 700 trainees have qualified there, and the number is rising all the time. Most of the trainees come from warp knitting companies, yarn producers and commercial

agencies – at every level and from every department. Company owners, managing directors and top managers from medium-sized and large companies come to the KARL MAYER Academy China in Changzhou City, as do

engineers, sales managers, designers, maintenance specialists and machine operators. Many of them register for follow-on courses. A large number of these is available, in addition to a variety of basic courses on tricot and raschel machines.

The courses are held by experienced instructors using the latest teaching resources and are based on what happens in practice. Once they have returned to their companies, the newly qualified workers will be able to use everything they have learned in their day-to-day work. They will become known as specialists in the field, and give new impetus to China's warp knitting sector. ◆

ITMA and EDANA sign memorandum of understanding

Agreement to collaborate on nonwovens conference at ITMA 2015.

The International Association for the Nonwovens and Related Industries (EDANA) and MP Expositions, the organiser of ITMA 2015, have signed a memorandum of understanding (MOU), intended to support the organisation of a conference on nonwovens during ITMA 2015.

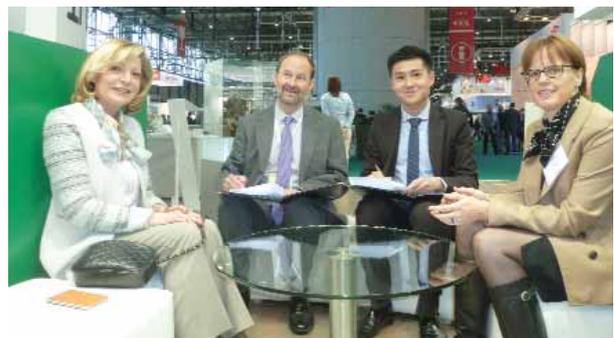
Mr Pierre Wiertz, General Manager of EDANA, said: "For more than 40 years, EDANA has served its member companies through a number of programmes and events designed to bring the industry together. We share a common objective of helping the textile and, in our case, nonwoven industries reach out to a wider audience through greater innovations and education."

Ms Eileen Ng, Executive Director of MP Expositions, added: "ITMA is the world's largest textile and garment technology exhibition and it showcases the entire value chain. Since the introduction of the fibre and yarn sector at ITMA 2011, there is a growing

emphasis on solutions for nonwovens and technical textiles. Visitors are able to witness the interaction of the materials and chemicals with the machines on the spot during live demonstrations. The cooperation with EDANA is synergistic and beneficial for the industry."

Among the proposed joint efforts outlined in the MOU which was signed in Geneva on 10 April during the Index™ 2014 exhibition is collaboration on a nonwovens conference to be held at ITMA 2015 in Milan.

Lauding the collaboration, Mr Charles Beauduin, President of CEMATEX, said: "As the owner of ITMA, we warmly welcome EDANA to co-organise the



From left: Ms Evelyne Cholet, Secretary General of UCMTF, Mr Pierre Wiertz, General Manager of EDANA, Mr Andrew Lin, Senior Manager of MP Expositions and Ms Cornelia Buchwalder, Secretary General of SWISSMEM after signing the Memorandum of Understanding

nonwovens conference. Many of our CEMATEX national association members who produce machinery and related solutions for the nonwovens sector will look forward to this joint initiative."

Details of the nonwovens conference will be released at a later date. It will be held during ITMA 2015 at Fiera Milano Rho in Milan Italy. ITMA will be staged from 12 to 19 November 2015. ◆