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 **Final Conference**

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INTRODUCTION

Objectives

- To collaborate to foster innovation in central Europe area (common European vision and territorial cohesion)
- To promote innovation, sustainability, recycling, circular economy, in the textile and clothing industry

Context

- The European Textile & Clothing sector: about **162 billion euros, 1.5 million people, 160.000 companies**. Of these, about **44% located in the central Europe area**
- Low recycling rate of products and consequently of textile materials: **less than 5%**
- The T&C sector is one of the priority sectors of the new European Commission policy: **significant environmental impact**

Covid-19 pandemic emergency



Question 1

These times are a critical moment of separation both physically but also pursued by political groups and followed by a part of European public opinion.

Can this opposite trend we heard towards aggregation by European macro-territorial areas be useful and can it actually serve the Textile & Clothing sector?

Question 2

In an approach to the Circular Economy and from your point of view, which aspect should be pursued first or most carefully?

