# ITMF And IAF Conclude Successful Joint Convention 2025 In Yogyakarta, Indonesia

The International Textile Manufacturers Federation (ITMF) and the International Apparel Federation (IAF) have successfully concluded their second joint convention, held this year in Yogyakarta, Indonesia.

In close collaboration with the host Indonesian Textile Association (API), the event gathered over 400 delegates from around the world from across the entire textile and apparel value chain.

The conference program was met with great enthusiasm and featured a diverse range of highlevel discussions on topics shaping the future of the global industry — including technology adoption, evolving legislation, fibre innovation, audit fatigue reduction, decarbonisation, AI applications, and the transformation of the Indonesian textile and apparel sector. The event also showcased innovation, sustainability, and collaboration through inspiring presentations by the winners of the ITMF Awards.

Beyond the conference sessions, ITMF and IAF continued their tradition of hosting memorable and culturally rich social events. Delegates were welcomed by the Sultan of Yogyakarta at a distinguished opening dinner, while the Gala Dinner held in front of the iconic Prambanan Temple provided a spectacular setting for networking and celebration. This special evening also marked the beginning of the tenures of ITMF President Juan Parés and IAF President Stefano Festa Marzotto.

The convention program also included company visits showcasing Indonesia's dynamic textile and apparel ecosystem. Delegates visited PT Dan Liris, PT Pan Brothers, PT Ambassador Garmindo, Gallery Batik Jawa, PT Golden Tekstil Indonesia (GTI), and PT





The scenes of ITMF/IAF Convention 2025 i Yogyakarta, Indonesia

Ungaran Sari Garment, gaining firsthand insights into the country's manufacturing excellence, innovation capacity, and commitment to sustainability.

The success of the 2025 convention was made possible through the strong support of the Indonesian Textile Association (API) as well as PT Dan Liris and PT Pan Brothers, both ITMF and IAF member companies. Together, they showcased Indonesia's vibrant and forward-looking textile and apparel indus-

try — projecting a positive and ambitious image of the country as a premier location for both textile and garment production.

#### Results of IAF/ITMF Convention 2025

The main results of IAF/ITMF Convention 2025 included improving the international position of Indonesia's textile and apparel industry and deepening discussions on technological innovation,

sustainability, and AI utilization.

The second ITMF (International Textile Manufacturers Federation) Annual Conference & IAF (International Apparel Federation) World Fashion Convention, which was held in October 2025 in Yogyakarta, Indonesia, welcomed over 400 industry-related stakeholders from 44 countries, and important results of the event included those below.

#### Global cooperation and the rise of Indonesia

Thanks to collaboration with Asosiasi Pertekstilan Indonesia (API, also called the Indonesian Textile Association), Indonesia's initiatives aimed at manufacturing capabilities, innovation, and sustainability have been internationally recognized. As a result, Indonesia has attracted attention as a future core of the global supply chain.

#### Discussions on technology, regulations, and sustainability

AI utilization: Participants shared examples of applying AI to productivity improvement, quality control, and supply chain optimization. Decarbonization: Participants discussed a possible roadmap and best practices for reducing CO2 in the textile and apparel industry.

Fiber innovation: Participants introduced development trends related to recycled fiber and biobased materials while emphasizing the importance of selecting sustainable fabric.

Response to audit fatigue: Participants proposed an integrated approach for reducing overlapping audits between brands and suppliers.

Regulatory compliance: Participants discussed upcoming regulations, including the EU's EPR (extended producer responsibility) and digital passport system.

#### Practical results and future outlook

Company visits and cultural exchange: Through a tour of a local company, participants gained a better understanding of the actual situation at Indonesian manufacturing sites as well as related issues. Enhancement of crossindustry cooperation: The event expanded possibilities related to collaboration throughout the value chain, including everything from textiles to apparel, brands, and technology vendors.

Expectations regarding the next event venue: Stakeholders expect even more practical results and policy recommendations from conventions held in 2026 and beyond.

This convention went beyond simply providing a place for exchanging information by offering a place where participants could hold strategic discussions to shape the future of their industry.



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