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What is a driver of growth for the market and what is not? What has been the effect of the liberalization of the textiles trade? Who are the winners, who are the losers? What changes are taking place in terms of fiber types and final spinning processes? A look back at the last 30 years that sheds light on the future.

[2. An ITMF Survey on Spinning Automation Level](#) [Page 7](#)

The ITMF has conducted a survey on the level of automation of spinning machinery in 2010 and 2015. Leading spinning machine manufacturers participated in this survey on the share of automated ring-spinning and rotor-spinning machines shipped to selected countries.

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Studying the economic history of the textile industry reveals a positive relationship between a developing country's textile activities and its level of economic development. This article presents some thoughts on Africa's future textile industry and its development path.

[4. ITMF Annual Conference 2018 in Conjunction with Origin Africa 2018](#) [Page 12](#)

Latest update on the conference: The general theme will be "**Supply Chains & Business Models in Times of Rapid Change**" and the **President of the Republic of Kenya**, Mr. Uhuru Kenyatta, and the **Secretary General of UNCTAD**, Mr. Mukhisa Kituyi, will deliver keynote addresses during the Formal Opening Session of the conference.

[5. Monthly Chart Update](#) [Page 13](#)