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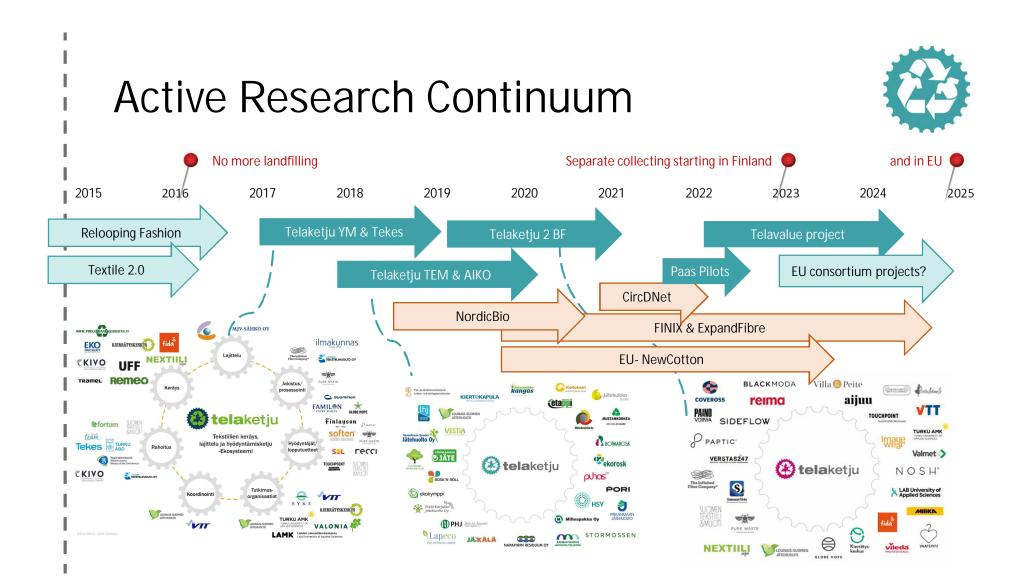
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 Telaketju is active collaboration network which aims for more sustainable productions, use and cycles of textiles Research work carried out in projects is laying a foundation for circular textile business in Finland

Network









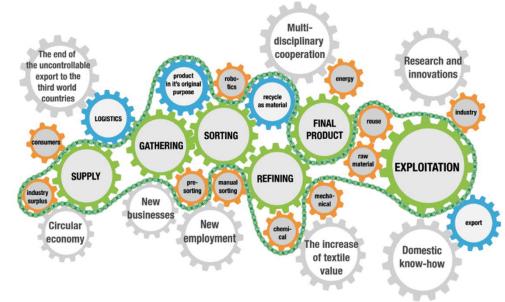
Research - First phase

2017-2019

Telaketju action & network



Focus of the first phase was mainly on textile recycling and business related to that – building circular ecosystem



Telaketju action & network



First phase composed of multiple projects and funding tools

Telaketju Action



Jointly funded project, total budget 205 k€

Topics: Collecting, sorting and pre-processing

Coordinator Lounais-Suomen Jätehuolto (municipal waste management organization in Southwest Finland)

Participants: Municipalities, recycling organizations, public participants, as well as charities.

> Ministry of Economic Affairs and Employment of Finland

Tekes



Telaketju Tekes, 2017-2019

Jointly funded project, total budget 2.67 M€

Topics: R&D for processes, products, services aiming for business and export markets

Coordinator VTT

Participants: Turku and Lahti Universities of Applied Sciences and Companies

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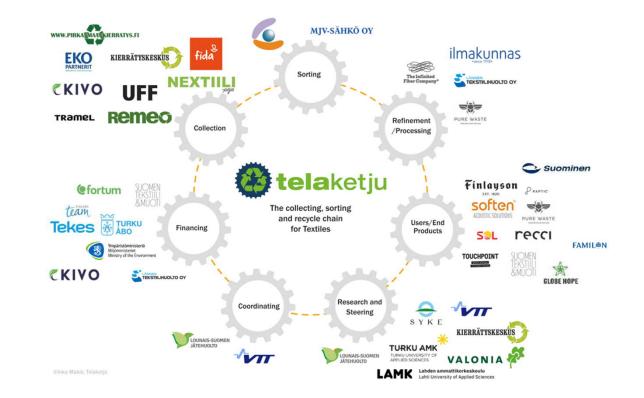
Telaketju TEM & AIKO 2018-2019

Topics: Investments and markets & business planning

Beneficiary: Lounais-Suomen Jätehuolto

Telaketju YM and Tekes projects





Telaketju YM and Tekes projects



- Focused on building ecosystem/value chains for textile recycling and circular economy
- Results summarized in <u>https://cris.vtt.fi/en/publications/telaketju-towards-circularity-of-textiles</u>
- More information about projects <u>www.telaketju.fi</u>



Second phase

2019-2021

TEM project related to Refinement plant (LSJH) continued until 2020 Public Telaketju 2 Business Finland project Coordinated by VTT 2019-2021

Activities also on company network



Telaketju 2 BF project

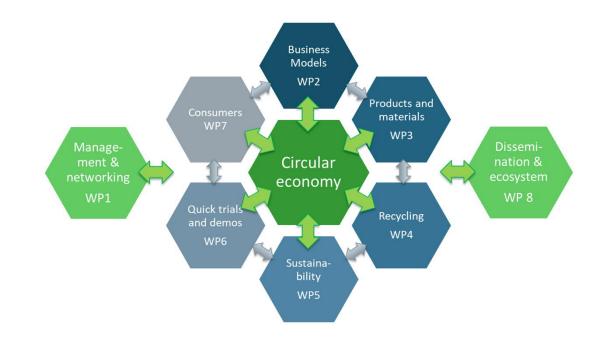




Telaketju 2 BF project

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Research work packages are focused on circular economy



Telaketju 2 communication



- Reports of Telaketju project are available online¹ we have also linked other interested reports to our report listing
- We have hosted national (Finnish) webinar series² and blog³, and international (English) webinar series ⁴
- Newsletters published Finnish⁵ and English⁶ during Telaketju2 project
- Social media channels in use

Links: 1 https://telaketju.turkuamk.fi/raportteja-ja-selvityksia/ and https://telaketju.turkuamk.fi/en/telaketju-reports/, 2 https://telaketju.turkuamk.fi/webinaarit/, 3 https://telaketju.turkuamk.fi/blogi/, 4 https://telaketju.turkuamk.fi/en/networking-webinars/, 5 https://telaketju.turkuamk.fi/telaketju.turkuamk.fi/en/networking-webinars/, 5 https://telaketju.turkuamk.fi/telaketju.turkuamk.fi/en/networking-webinars/, 5 https://telaketju.turkuamk.fi/en/networking-webinars/, 5 https://telaketju.turkuam



Third phase

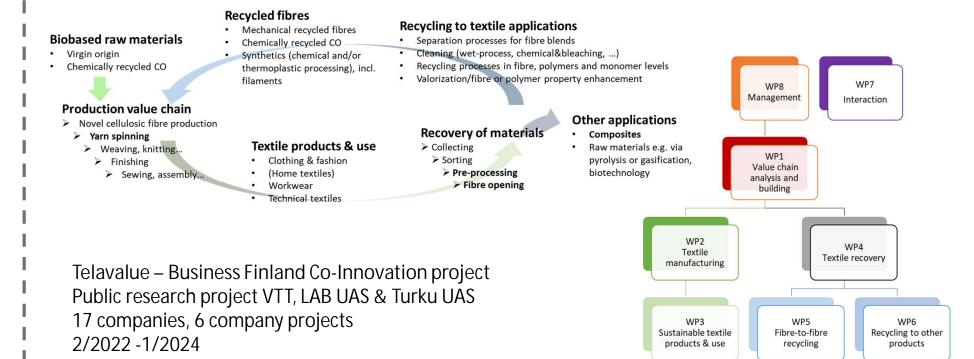
Paas (Products-as-a-service) Pilots 2021-22 Coordinated by Turku UAS Telavalue BF Co-Innovation project 2022-24 Coordinated by VTT

Activities also on company network e.g.

Investment project to Refinement plant Lounais-Suomen Jätehuolto Oy (LSJH)



Telavalue project





Telaketju - Network

- Some achievements in our network
 - Concept available for National Collection of End-of-life Textiles in Finland¹, collection pilot areas covers already all major cities
 - New product lines using textile waste and also post-consumer waste²
 - Mechanical processing facility built to Paimio in collaboration with municipal and commercial actors³
 - Flagship plant for chemical recycling of cotton⁴
 - National webinar series for topical issues and knowledge sharing hosted by Finnish Textile and Fashion (in Finnish)

Links: 1 https://telaketju.turkuamk.fi/uploads/2020/08/0c08d295-national-collection-of-end-of-life-textiles-in-finland_lsjh.pdf, 2 https://mb.cision.com/Main/68/2922349/1116457.pdf https://www.touchpoint.fi/en_US/blog/news-1/post/we-are-part-of-the-building-of-circular-economy-plant-in-finland-8 , 3 https://infinitedfiber.com/2021/12/15/afry-chosen-as-main-engineering-partner-for-infiniteds-flagship-plant/





Keys to success factors have been...

People and companies that share common vision and are willing work towards it = active network

Public support necessary for carrying out public research in Telaketju & other projects





Thank you for your attention! Any questions?

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