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DESCRIPTION OF THE ORGANIZATION

The **Hungarian Society of Textile Technology and Science (TMTE)** is a public benefit organisation and a knowledge centre of the Hungarian textile, garment and textile care industry. TMTE represents the industry nationally and internationally, initiates and supports R&D&I activities, provides a none-stop source for information and defends the common interests of the industry and members. As accredited institution TMTE provides vocational training and special further training programmes also for professional textile care and finishing industry.

In the last years more than 100 people took part in the EDUTEX vocational adult training program for textile care (listed in Hungarian National Register, OKJ) and gained an EUROPASS certification for „Worker for chemical cleaning, dyeing and laundry” (2007-2014), from 2015 as „Textile cleaner and dyer”. The training and certification for “Fabric dyer and cleaner technician” is offered with the contribution of the Budapest Chamber of Commerce and Industry.

TMTE also offers shorter further training programs for professional industrial laundries and dry cleaners. The training contents information about the novel high-tech and smart fibre and about care instructions for fabrics made from these new materials. The training gives an overview about the modern chemicals, detergents and auxiliaries, moreover the machines and automatic technologies. Important parts of the training are the environmental issues, the water treatment and energy management, and the knowledge about prevention, how to protect the quality of the textiles during the textile care process.

TMTE organizes special training programs for manufacturing companies related to the quality of services. The program gives useful advises to avoid claims and introduces also the process of the amicable settlement of disputes. The training about characteristics of textiles and textile care is provided also for the HORECA sector, mostly in form of consultation. The program about basic chemical knowledge for textile cleaning is offered on-demand and training courses are outsourced in company facilities.

The Hungarian textile periodical Magyar Textiltechnika is published four times a year online and is edited by TMTE. In the periodical are regularly published information about national and international events and conferences for textile care, including the summary or full paper of the conference speakers. Also articles are published to highlights the news of the textile care industry and the changes of the official regulation for the textile care and lease services.

TMTE cooperates with the professional associations from Europe, and regularly participates in national and European projects (eg. INNOTEX, eBiz, TEXPLAT, SET).

