



PRESS RELEASE

Complete ANDRITZ textile recycling line starts operating at Italian recycling specialist

GRAZ, DECEMBER 7, 2023. ANDRITZ recently started up a new textile recycling line at Sfilacciatura Negro's plant in Biella, Italy. Designed for processing post-consumer textile waste with automatic removal of hard parts, the tearing line supports the company's expansion into new recycling segments.

In view of the growing demand for sustainable fibers in the re-spinning and nonwoven industries, Sfilacciatura Negro Biella decided to expand its recycling capabilities. The company has extensive experience in recycling industrial textile waste and already operates two tearing lines. Based on its long-term collaboration with ANDRITZ, it is now stepping into the recycling of post-consumer clothing waste.

"Our approach is based on circularity. We make new fibers from textile waste that would otherwise end up in landfills," Tiziano Negro, CEO of Sfilacciatura Negro, explains and adds, "Having worked with ANDRITZ for a long time and knowing their expertise in both textile recycling and nonwovens, we are convinced they are the right partner to support our company in our ambitious diversification project."

The new generation recycling line ANDRITZ supplied to Sfilacciatura Negro is the result of ten years of close cooperation, trials in its technical center, and visits to customer lines in Spain and Portugal. ANDRITZ has tailored a complete line from feeding of sorted waste bales to baling of the recycled fibers. It is designed for highly efficient, energy-saving operation and features automated separation of hard points while maintaining a very good material yield. An automated filtration unit is provided for airflow and dust management. Only one operator is needed to manage the entire line up to the recycled fiber baler. The baler can produce film-wrapped and tied bales with a weight of up to 350 kg.

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ANDRITZ Laroche project team with Alessandro Giana, co-owner of Sfilacciatura Negro in front of the new generation Exel line

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