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TITAS brings the latest in innovation, with technology, fashion and comfort being the driving factors in textiles development.

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### OVERVIEW

A concise message of performance, eco-awareness and fashion for textiles is delivered at the 19th annual Taipei Innovative Textile Application Show, with some 790 booths from 370 exhibitors coming from Taiwan, China, Germany, India, Japan, Singapore, South Korea, Sweden, Switzerland and the USA.

Exhibitors address the issues of function and fashion in an array of innovations while also meeting global demand for more ecofriendly solutions and sustainable textiles.

Odour control and moisture management are two of the most prominent trends in performance innovation at the show. Compositions combining natural and synthetic fibres address issues of comfort and durability while the functions and properties of natural fibres such as wool, linen and Tencel are also promoted.

Ecofriendly solutions to note include a water-free dyeing technique, alongside recycled fibres, recycled oil and natural fibre innovation.

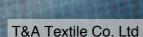
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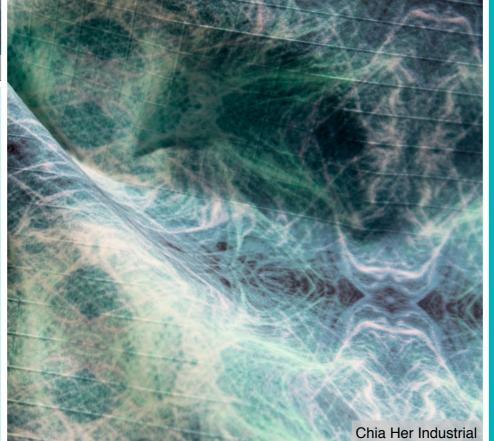


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FASHION AND FUNCTION ARE SET TO A HIGH STANDARD AT TITAS. LIGHTWEIGHT FABRICS HAVE MULTIPLE PROPERTIES INCLUDING ANTIMICROBICS, TEMPERATURE CONTROL, WATERPROOF AND WINDPROOF FEATURES, WITH ECOFRIENDLY AND SUSTAINABLE CREDENTIALS. COMPOSITION IS SHIFTING TOWARDS MORE NATURAL FIBRES FOR MAXIMUM DURABILITY, PERFORMANCE AND COMFORT.

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### TREND CHECKLIST

- Technology & Innovation: temperature control and odour reduction in textiles are key areas of development at the A/W 16/17 edition of TITAS. Ceramic and aluminium particles function as heat conductors, while waterreducing technology and moisture management for fabrics are important alongside a focus on sustainability
- **Sophistication:** applications of embroideries, trim materials, reflective aspects and suitings have a refined touch, making tech and sustainable textiles more fashion-friendly
- **Tactility:** through embossed, bonded or jacquard techniques, surfaces are highly textural and luxurious to the touch
- **Opulent Treatments:** rich surfaces created with embroidery, print and embellishments with textured novelty yarns layer into one
- **Prints:** whether inky and aquatic, or graphic and architectural, three-dimensional surfaces are created with various digital print techniques, as well as flocking and textile layering



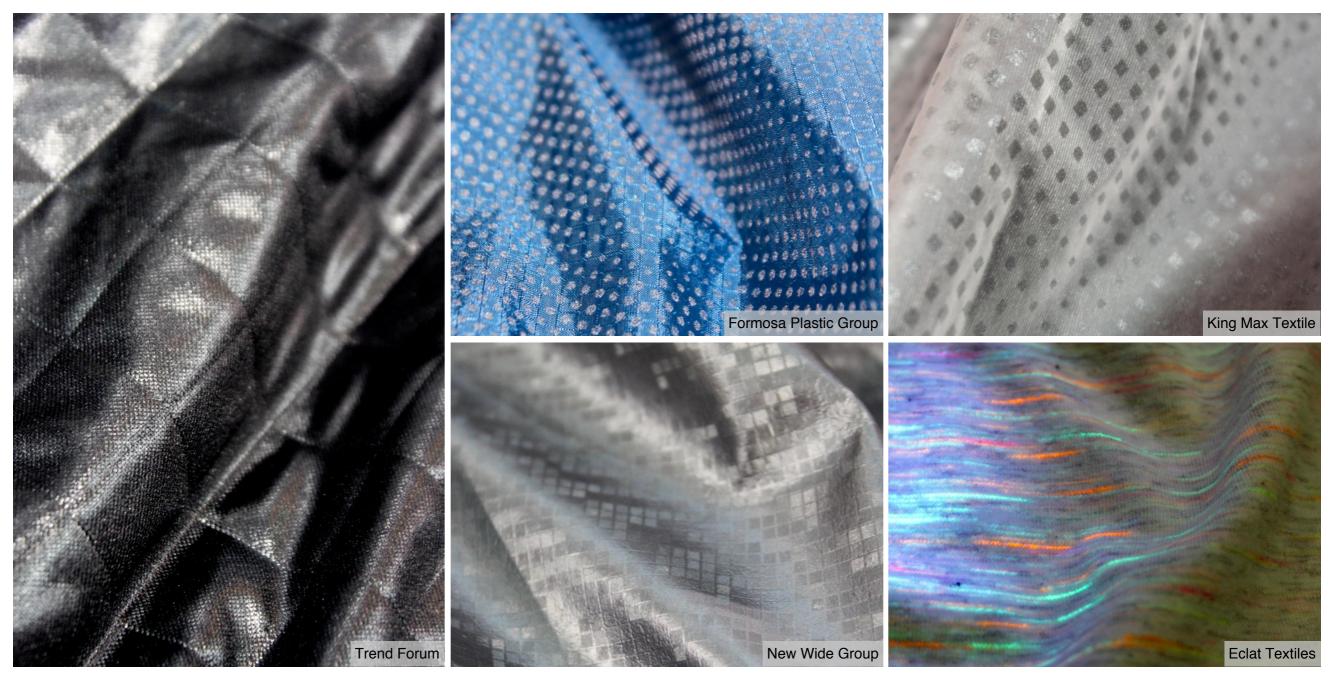
### COLOURS

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### REFLECTIVE surface & finish

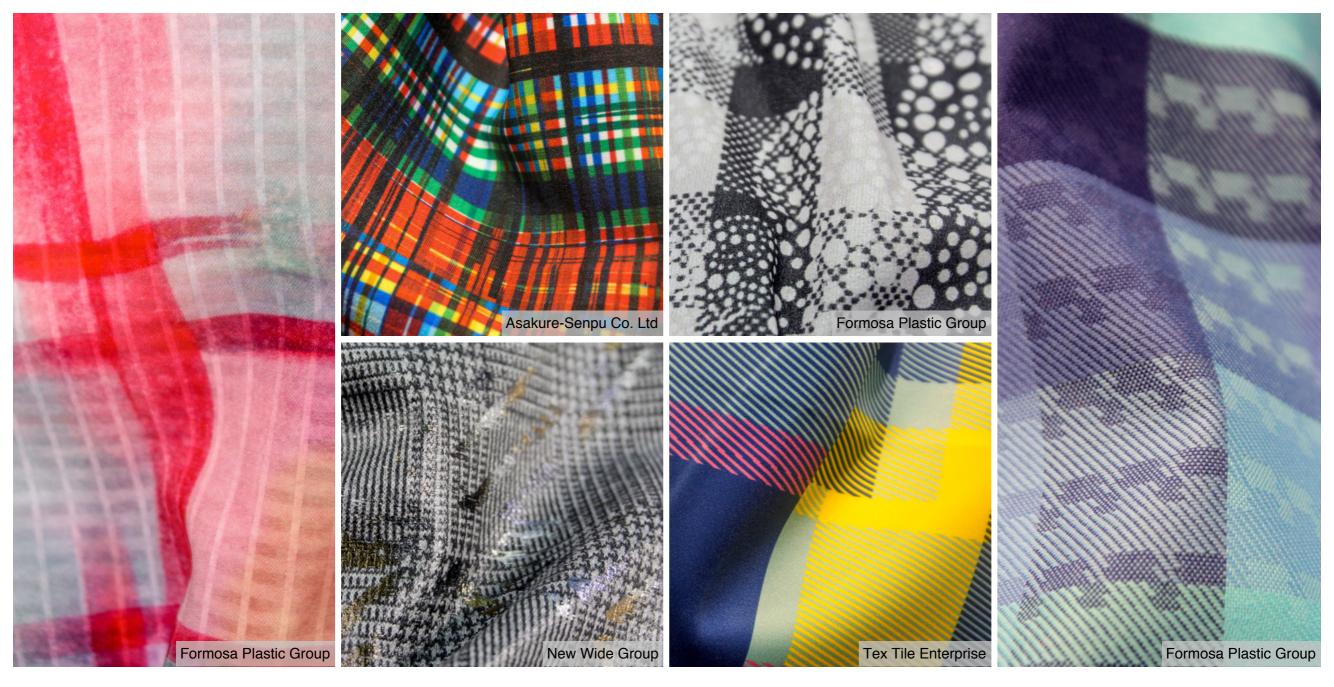
Coated metallic surfaces evolve for A/W 16/17 with silvery or holographic coatings on technical fabrics highlighting micro quilting, perforations or figured surface effects. Micro textured surfaces from polyester to cotton are enhanced through silvered PU coatings or special reflective yarns. Reflective particles are woven into textiles, printed onto surfaces, or coloured with dye pigment to function.





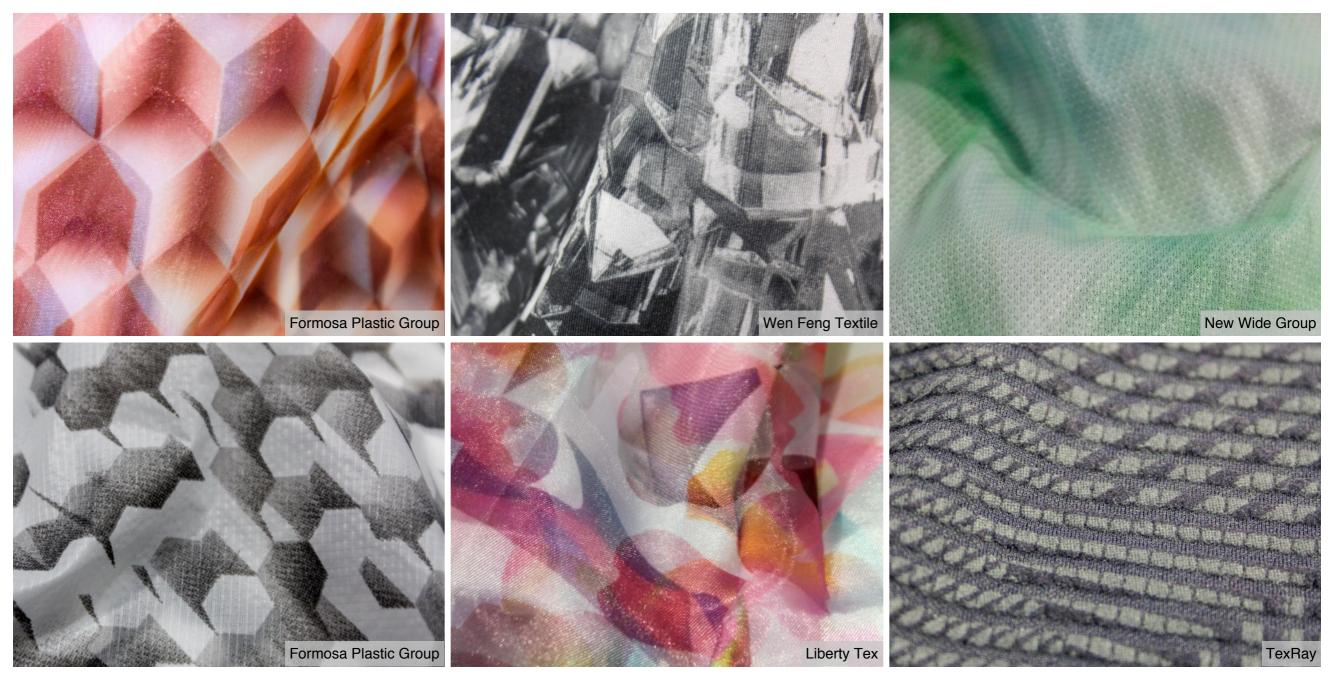
### LIGHTWEIGHTS CONSTRUCTION

Lightweight textiles for the performancewear sector function as windproof, waterproof, heat-retaining and moisturereducing while also possessing reflective properties. Lightweight synthetics such as polypropylene-based fabrics are important for moisture management and are 100% biodegradable, with production that is low-energy and has low water-usage.



### MODERN CHECKS

Checks and plaids take a more contemporary and colourful direction for A/W 16/17, with added motifs, layers and print finishes. Painterly effects layered on performancewear are feminine, while jacquard houndstooth is combined with stripes for additional texture, suitable for skiwear and outdoor wear with a focus on a more fashionable direction.



#### OPTICAL ILLUSIONS PRINT & PATTERN

Digital print technology is enhanced with lightweight double-layer prints, flocking and subtle jacquards to create threedimensional effects for A/W 16/17 – a key update for outdoor sports nylon outerwear and down jackets for the season.





# NEON ACCENTS

Neon strikes across all categories for A/W 16/17, mixed with graphic constructions and cellular structures. Space-dyed yarns in neon brights are important for jerseys with stripes, remaining key for both technical and fashion casualwear. Cellular structures for ripstop constructions including mesh bonding are important for outerwear, adding boldness and texture to finished products.

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# RETRO GEOS

Bold patterns influenced by retro 1960s designs with optical effects are key in interlock and jacquard knits for A/W 16/17. Additional print and heat emboss techniques heighten an illusion dimension across outerwear and active separates with a fashion twist. Raised elastic textures and embossed or padded constructions award fabrics enhanced dimension and surface interest.





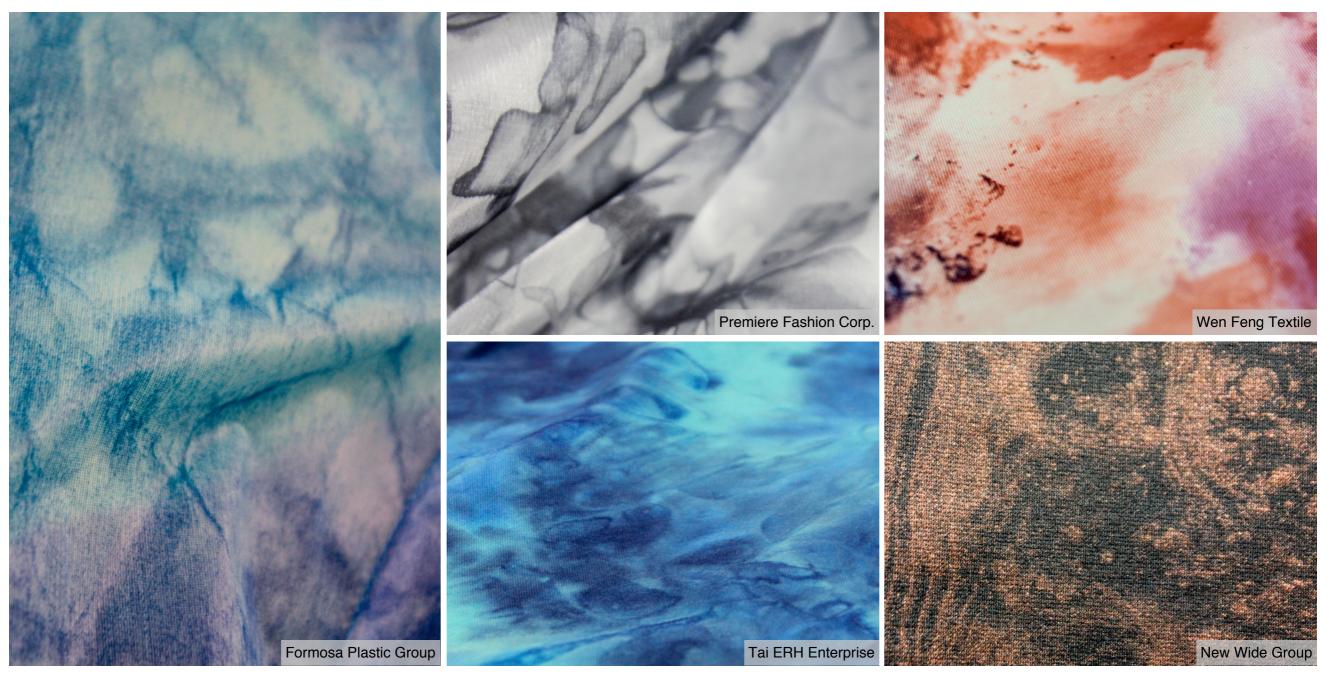
# IRREGULAR SURFACE

Irregular surfaces evolve for A/W 16/17 with extreme texture that appears tough and robust, created through coated and puckered constructions in bonded and double-faced knits. Matte, vinyl or leather-like coatings create new looks for the season, best interpreted in black and metallic finishes.



#### EXTRA DIMENSION CONSTRUCTION

Jersey knits and jacquard weaves offer sculptural, tactile surfaces that explore volume and depth. Weaves become more structured and fancy to touch. Technical constructions for jerseys achieve rigid structures that can be both hard and soft, exploring dimensional stitches through padding and quilting as well as holding stitches.



### AQUATIC EXPLORATION PRINT & PATTERN

Aquatic-inspired prints are rich in colour for A/W 16/17, as layers add a hidden depth and textured fabric bases create further dimension. Suited to apparel options that can make the transition from gym to casual streetwear, lightweight jerseys are key here, alongside built-in stretch and breathable woven qualities.





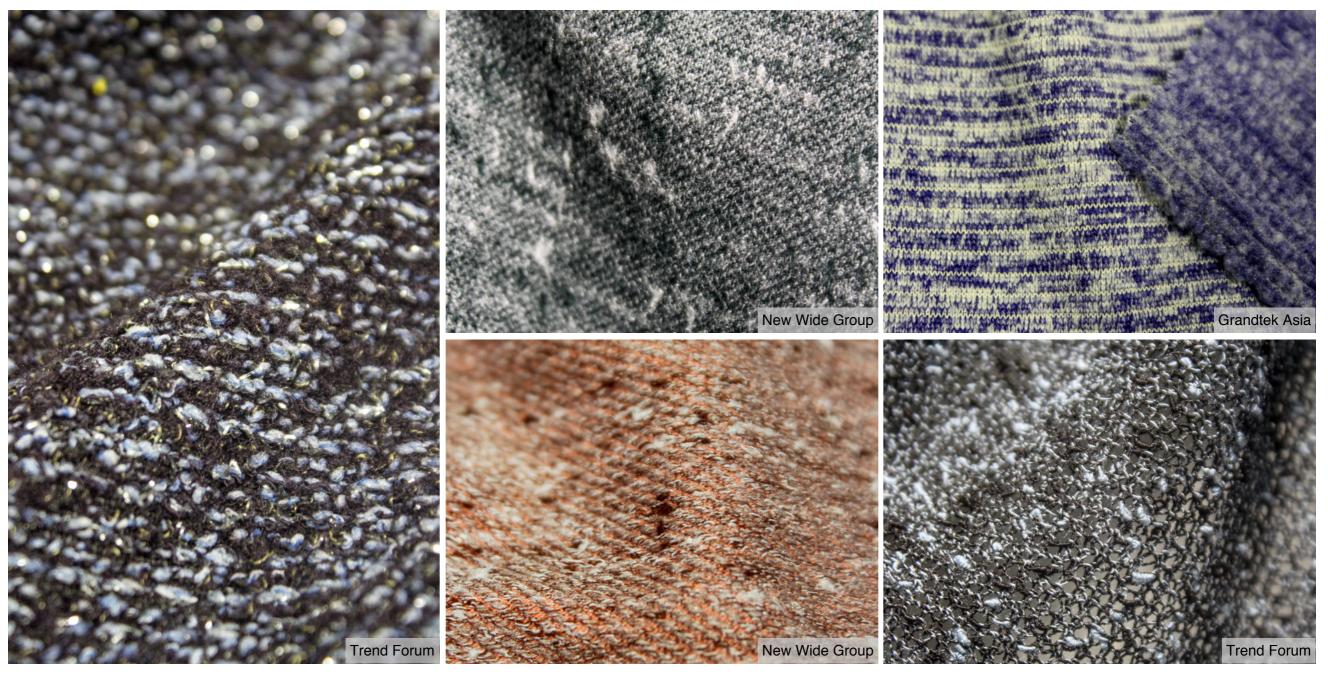
#### MODERN STRIPES CONSTRUCTION

VIbrant woven and jersey stripes in varying repeats with a subtle sportswear tendency appear for A/W 16/17. Yarn-dyed stripes have semi-regular repeats, mixing fine and structured yarns together for a slight sheer effect. Mélange grey shadow stripes can work well with brighter shades for a more sober, classical interpretation of this look.



# MARL STRIPES

Marl jerseys are still a key commercial area. Linear space-print and colour-mix yarns are updated with brighter colour combinations in both regular and irregular striping, sometimes using a bright shade with white for a more chalky tonal effect that can be accented by secondary shades or with reverse contrasts.



# SPECKLED TWEED

Fashion and function meet in the form of weaves, jacquards and knits that are performance-friendly yet suitable for casualwear or workwear. Micro graphic textures, salt-and-pepper effects, and slub and speckled yarns create woolly, tweedy looks that are adaptable for transseasonal wear, with greys and neutrals the popular colour finishes.





#### SOFT & TACTILE FIBRE & YARN

Tactile and warm-handle touches are essential for the A/W 16/17 season, best interpreted in jerseys that encompass plush textures and brushed finishes. Bouclette, bouclé, feather, eyelash and chenille yarns are important for the season. These novelty yarns explore textures as diverse as velveteen plush, faux fur and downy, fleecy plush aspects.



#### RICH OPULENCE SURFACE & FINISH

Embroideries are rich and luxurious in jewel-like tones with sheen and colour leading the way for A/W 16/17. Vintage patterns are explored and reinterpreted with an added sophistication. Applied techniques with floral imagery are combined with appliqué for texture and dimension with a more feminine and nostalgic appeal. Jacquards are rich with a metallic lustre.



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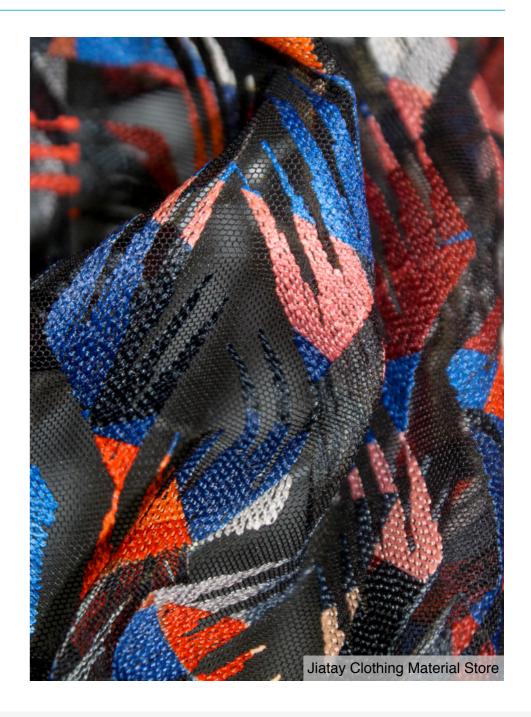
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