

Technical Textiles

Press Release

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Ökolys[™] wins the Techtextil Innovation Award 2013

Beaulieu Technical Textiles has been granted the Techtextil Innovation Award in the category "New Applications" for its agrotextile ÖkolysTM. This award is an Innovation Prize from Techtextil for outstanding developments in the range of new technical textiles. This winning medal represents its great innovative power.



Beaulieu Technical Textiles will receive the international award at the Award Ceremony of Techtextil on June 10th, 2013. Techtextil, the international trade fair for technical textiles and nonwovens, will be held at Frankfurt Fair and Exhibition Center from June 11th – 13th 2013. Beaulieu Technical Textiles will be present in Hall 4.1 Stand B69. Awardwinning agrotextile Ökolys will also be represented in Hall 4.1 Stand J21.

What makes the agrotextile ÖkolysTM so unique and innovative?



 \ddot{O} kolysTM is by far the most (eco)logical choice for weed control. The agrotextile \ddot{O} kolysTM is the first woven biodegradable and compostable landscape fabric, certified "OK compost".

ÖkolysTM is a groundcover based on two biopolymers, one biodegradable and one compostable. The groundcover ensures important weed control for young plants, which is crucial in their first 3 years of life. After the functional period of three years, ÖkolysTM is

fragmenting, afterwards biodegrading and finally becomes food for the protected plant. The end-of-life of ÖkolysTM is no longer an issue: after its period of use, it returns into the organic chain, closing the carbon cycle.

The certification of "OK compost" assures the biodegradability as well as the compostability of the groundcover, according to the European Norm on Compostability (EN 13432). Ökolys[™] is one of the most groundbreaking innovations in environmentally friendly weed control within landscape gardening, forestry and agriculture.





About Beaulieu Technical Textiles

Beaulieu Technical Textiles is an established leader and driving force in the global market of technical textiles. The company produces textile solutions out of a variety of polymers (polypropylene, polyethylene and biopolymers). The fabrics and tapes are used in different industries, such as the carpet industry (for primary and secondary backings), agriculture and horticulture (agrotextiles), civil construction (geotextiles), the industrial packaging (coated and uncoated packaging) and construction (under roofs foils).

Beaulieu Technical Textiles is a proud member of the Belgian Beaulieu International Group. Today this renowned industrial group holds a solid market position both in producing raw materials and intermediate goods and in offering an extensive range of finished floor coverings.

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