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Garment fashion textiles

by **ITALIAN CONVERTER**<sup>®</sup>

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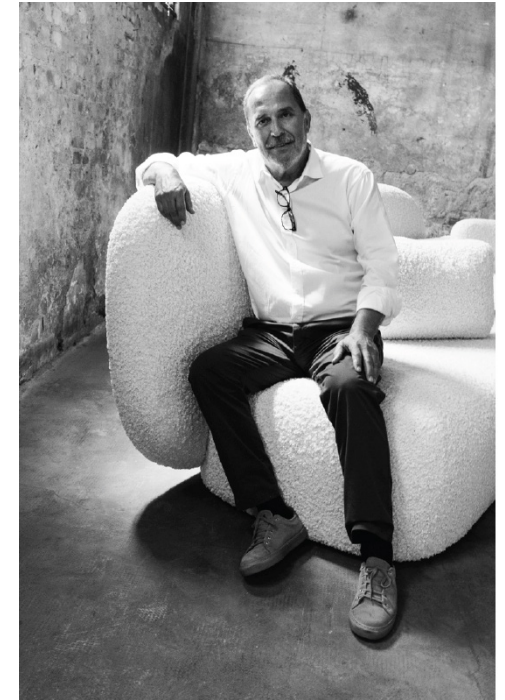
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## THE STORY GROUP



Founded in 1994 from an innovative vision of Costantino Karazissis, the current CEO of the company, Italian Converter® is now an international reality in the production of fashion and hi-tech fabrics for the world's top fashion brands in footwear, leather goods, clothing, and furnishings.

The company, led by the current CEO and founder, Karazissis, celebrates an incredible milestone of 30 years of success.

Passion, expertise, and constant commitment to innovation have allowed Italian Converter® to introduce new materials, advanced processes, and transformation technologies over the years. The result is the creation of collections that not only anticipate trends but define them, shaping the landscape of fashion and design with pioneering attention to eco-sustainability.

Today, headquartered in Vigevano (PV) on an area of over 11,000 square meters, the company has over 100 talented employees. The founder's children are committed to ensuring continuity and providing future prospects for this extraordinary project. Additionally, with enthusiasm, we are finalizing a new headquarters of over 55,000 square meters that will represent the next chapter of our growth and success.



## KARA FASHION TEXTILES

### THE APPAREL LINE BY ITALIAN CONVERTER®

The Kara Fashion Textiles Division, specialized in the production of fabrics for apparel, stands out for its expertise, continuous experimentation, and application of advanced technologies signed by Italian Converter®. In addition to offering a dedicated collection, we are committed to creating and developing exclusive projects, accurately interpreting the needs of the market. Our high-quality fabrics are characterized by an innovative approach and are fully customizable, allowing the creation of unique and tailored materials for each client.

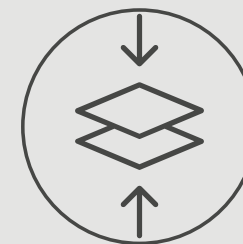




## TAILOR MADE PROJECTS

### THE LABORATORY AND RESEARCH & DEVELOPMENT

Italian Converter® boasts an in-house R&D division dedicated daily to researching new raw materials and developing materials, articles, and processes. This commitment aims to create innovative products, both in terms of aesthetics and technical characteristics. Our R&D team enables us to offer customized solutions for apparel, working closely with our in-house laboratory to transform ideas and insights into concrete and cutting-edge solutions, with internal testing throughout the development process.



COUPLING

## COUPLING AND FINISHING

SINCE 1997

What has always set us apart is our internalization of coupling and finishing services, ensuring quality control throughout the supply chain and reducing lead times. We offer customized solutions for every customer need, leveraging the experience gained in all fashion sectors. For the apparel line, we propose laminations of laces, nets, lightweight fabrics, even customer-owned materials customized with processing account service and finishing on demand.



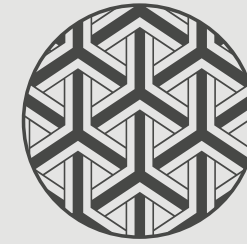
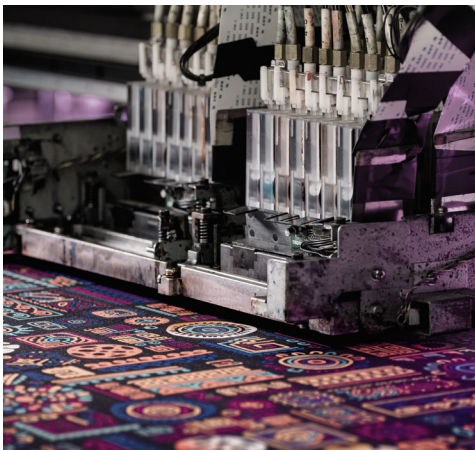


PRINTING

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SINCE 2010

Our printing department is managed by industry experts and highly specialized graphic personnel; Italian Converter®'s digital printers ensure vibrant colours and high-definition designs on various types of fibers: polyesters, cottons, nylons, polyurethanes, genuine or synthetic furs, genuine leathers. Today, the new division Soltex Srl, offers further innovation for fabric printing.



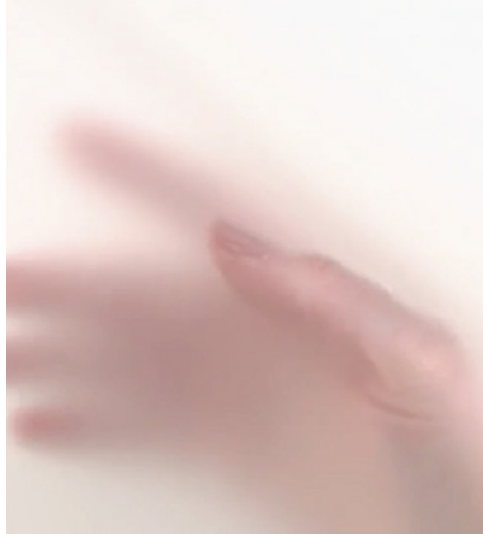
3D EMBOSSING

## EMBOSSING

SINCE 2002

Pioneers in extending this process to elastic materials, Italian Converter® ensures permanent 3D reliefs, unbeatable for design definition and detail rendering. Thanks to specialized machinery and a highly qualified team, we achieve extremely high-definition processing in large dimensions, ideal for clothing items, offering the possibility to customize your own logo or design. Consult our catalog with registered designs.

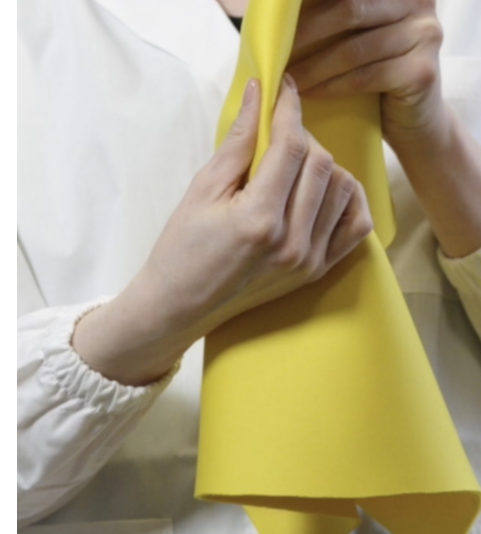




## POLYURETHANES

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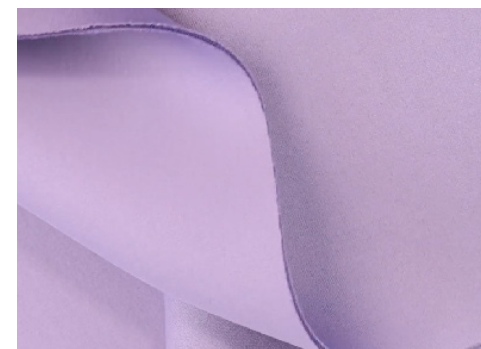
Thanks to our know-how and experience, Italian Converter® has innovatively redefined this material, creating unique products on the market for their high quality in terms of resistance, colour rendering, and creative freedom. One of our best sellers for the apparel sector is the STELLA article, with lightweight thicknesses, soft and silky hand feel available in various colours, customizable with printing, 3D embossing, and other options resulting from our thirty years of experience.



## NEOPRENE

**SINCE 1998**

Discover the innovation in Italian Converter®'s neoprene articles, characterized by breathability, an absolute novelty in the sector. The top-selling excellence is the INCAS article, the result of our thirty years of experience in this sophisticated material. INCAS offers a full, uniform, soft, flowing, and enveloping hand feel, with a wide range of customizable colours. This versatile fabric lends itself to multiple internal processes, such as 3D embossing, printing, coating, and coupling. Its younger brother, the QUINTANA article, has a thinner thickness while maintaining the same performance as INCAS and is ideal as a support for combinations and pairings with other fabrics.



# SUSTAINABLE PRODUCTS

## E.C.O. KOSMOS COLLECTION

In 2017, we combine our corporate sustainable commitment with the creativity that has always distinguished us, giving rise to the first collection of eco-friendly fabrics E.C.O. KOSMOS (Ecologic, Conversion, Optimisation). This collection is capable of addressing the needs and questions of an increasingly green-oriented market. It is a path based on values, innovation, and determination, offering a collection of fabrics ideal for every sector. A laborious and constantly updated journey, the transformations and enrichments that distinguish us, the vast experience of the team, and thanks to a precise method of analysis and research, lead us to have **142 fabrics certified** according to international certification schemes: GRS, RCS, GOTS, OCS, STANDARD 100 by OEKOTEX®, BCI, FSC®.

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Fabrics created from **pre-consumer** and **post-consumer recycled materials**: wool, polyester, polyamide, cotton, polyurethanes, leather, every material with yarns of natural and recycled origin, presenting a cutting-edge appearance. Discover our **Green Innovation, E.C.O. GALAXI**, our certified fabric designed and developed to respect the environment, thanks to its recycled glitter and the fabric that constitutes it.



We offer **biodegradable** products, using the world's best polyamide yarn that degrades in just five years when disposed of in controlled conditions, as demonstrated by laboratory biodegradation tests.



Fabrics of cotton, silk, linen, wool, hemp, all created with **organic yarns**, make up the various textiles offered in this category.



Italian Converter® offers customer-customized coatings that are **DMFA FREE** and **Toluolo FREE** and comply with REACH regulations or adhere to even more stringent limits. The E.C.O. KOSMOS collection is the guarantee for the customer for the creation of a sustainable finished product.



In the collection, we offer **bio-based** coatings made by recovering **pre-consumer processing waste**, then compacted to give them new life. The sustainable choice, supported by internally conducted studies, involves using a revolutionary **polymer based on bio-polyols**, sourced from **renewable materials**.



Thanks to the constant study and persistent research of our R&D Department and internal Laboratory, **AURIGA** was born, our glitter fabric designed to comply with the strictest legal regulations, respecting the environment without losing its Fashion essence. The product is free from microplastics and harmful components and is also designed with the aim of not dispersing glitter dust into the environment. With the same spirit of sustainable innovation, Italian Converter® is working to develop glitter fabrics that are free of **microplastics** and **biocompatible**, a green alternative to traditional ones. Contact the sales department for more information and to reserve the new glitter in advance.

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The fabrics in the collection align with ESG (Environmental, Social, and Governance) requirements, and they are **free from harmful solvents**. All items in the E.C.O. Kosmos collection are certified, and their **internal finishing and bonding process, water-based** and other aspects of our DNA, enable the high achievement of certified materials. This certification covers not only the weaving and yarn components but also finished products tailored for the footwear and leather goods industry.

## ALL THE PRODUCT CERTIFICATIONS OF THE E.C.O. KOSMOS



\*Only the products which are covered by a valid Transaction certificate are GRS/RCS/OCS certified

Italian Converter Srl. has passed the Better Cotton Initiative training and has access to the Better Cotton Platform BCI

## COMPANY CERTIFICATIONS

Environmental Management System



Management on Social Responsibility



Explore in detail the proposals  
of the Kara Fashion Textiles line through our  
specialized sales department.

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