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Noyfil SA (CH) obtained environmental certification according to standard ISO 14001:2015

New environmental sustainability milestone for RadiciGroup: in 2016, Noyfil SA (Stabio - CH) - a company dealing in the production and marketing of **polyester yarns** - obtained the **Environmental Management System Certification according to the standard UNI EN ISO 14001:2015**.

This is a recognition of excellence, which testifies to the commitment of **RadiciGroup Comfort Fibres Business Area** to environmentally sustainable business management, pursued thanks to the ability to work as a team that has always characterized the people at the plant and those of the Corporate Quality and Processes coordination function.

Noyfil SA deals in the design, production - by means of extrusion and spinning - and sales of polyester yarn (PES) and polylactide yarn (PLA), raw, mass-dyed and with additives. The target markets are mainly sportswear and undergarments and the automotive and furniture industries.

Radyarn[®] and **Starlight**[®] polyester yarns are the brands on the market (also in the r-Radyarn[®] and r-Starlight[®] versions, from post-consumer recycled polymers) along with **CornLeaf**, available as a mass-dyed yarn and with bacteriostatic effect versions, made with polylactic acid based natural biopolymers.

These yarns will be the centrepiece of RadiciGroup's exhibit at Heimtextil 2017 and are part of a range that includes products for sports and the outdoors with Flame Retardant and UV resistant properties, as well as with additives and ceramic and anti-bacterial base.

Noyfil SA (CH) is among Europe's most innovative and sustainable manufacturers of polyester continuous filament yarns. Thanks to a very comprehensive range and excellent tailor made service, Noyfil can meet every request from customers and the markets (from large to small quantities).

Plant director **Alberto Giana** had this to say, "The Environmental Management System certification is an important result for Noyfil SA, which recognizes our continuous efforts to improve the environmental performance of our processes. It is also a sign of distinction with our customers, who trust Noyfil as a reliable partner that pays close attention to the environment. And it is also a positive factor in terms of transparency in relations with the local community and related Parties. The above has been made possible by Noyfil SA's collaborators, all of whom work hard every day, with passion and dedication, so they can offer excellent quality high-performance products with the least environmental impact".

Noyfil SA has currently 110 employees. The plant was built back in the late 70s; a number of improvements were made over time to best meet market and customer demands. Modernizations have focused on optimizing the use of resources and improving the efficiency of the entire production cycle.

The environmental certification comes in the wake of the Quality Management System certification according to the standard UNI EN ISO 9001:2008, and the whole Company is already on to the next target: the Health and Safety Management System according to the standard ISO 45001 (evolution of OHSAS 18001:2007). This new goal fits in with the Group's vision, approaching the market and customers as the most innovative and sustainable "*integrated chemical group in the polyamide, synthetic fibres and engineering plastics supply chain*".

Click the link below to view all of RadiciGroup's environmental certifications: <u>http://www.radicigroup.com/en/sustainability/managing-system/environment</u>

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