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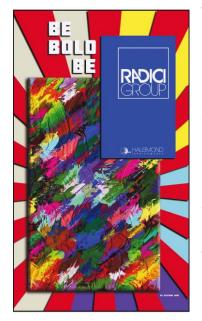
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New soft touch collections on display at Domotex. Soft and easy-to-clean: the two most popular keywords in the carpet industry. RadiciGroup expands its range.

RadiciGroup has confirmed its participation at **Domotex 2019**, and the RadiciGroup **Performance Yarn Business Area** has launched its "**Product Range Options**" catalogue with its newest yarn collections featuring the latest market trends in **textile flooring**.

The new product range includes **PA 6** and **PA 66 BCF** yarns – for both **residential** and **contract** applications – meeting the market's quest for soft touch products capable of giving carpet a rich look and a soft-to-the-touch feel.

"With years of experience in the industry under our belt and a proven ability to develop yarns with excellent performance features," said **Arturo Andreoni, marketing director of RadiciGroup Performance Yarn**, "we started working on making our yarns more pleasing to the eye and softer to the touch, as well as creating solution-dyed yarns in brilliant colours, to satisfy the most diverse aesthetic needs of today's designers."



To give fair attendees a hands-on experience of this perfect marriage of **beauty** and **performance**, the fitted carpet in the RadiciGroup stand at Domotex (Hall 11 Booth C48) was manufactured with Radifloor[®] Residential BCF PA66 1100 F 256 x2 Bright-Dull HS Superba, the PA 66 BCF yarn chosen by Condor Carpets for its new line of luxury flooring on display at Domotex at the Dutch company's stand.

At Domotex 2019, RadiciGroup is exhibiting tapestry made by its German customer **Halbmond**, which uses a new printing technology to reproduce evocative imagery on carpet: the raw material is a PA 6 raw yarn developed by RadiciGroup and particularly suited for high-definition, 3D-image printing with excellent colour rendering.

"In the polyamide 6 BCF yarn segment," Mr. Andreoni continued, "we have adopted a strategy focused on optimizing products with the attributes most sought after by European carpet makers and taking into consideration the new printing technologies available. As for PA 66 yarn, a more demanding market from a performance point of view, we have enlarged our portfolio of soft yarns. Let us not forget," Mr. Andreoni concluded, "that, today, RadiciGroup is the only European manufacturer capable of producing both nylon 6 and nylon 66 yarns, owing to our vertical integration in the chemicals business – a 'plus' appreciated by the market."

Another new entry at RadiciGroup Performance Yarn is **Radifloor**[®] **Stanèt**, a PA 6 specialty yarn available in a variety of colours and endowed with embedded **stain resistance** characteristics. Carpeting made with Radifloor[®] Stanèt is easier to maintain: even the most stubborn stains can be removed with water alone – there is no need for aggressive chemicals. For these reasons, Radifloor[®] Stanèt is highly suitable for both residential and contract applications.

Furthermore, the **RadiciGroup Performance Yarn** production chain is fully certified: the Group plants specializing in the manufacture and processing of BCF yarn (in Italy, **RadiciFil** in Casnigo, Bergamo, which also produces PA 6 polymers; in the Czech Republic, **Logit Sro** in Podborany) are **certified to ISO 9001, 14001 and 50001 and OHSAS 18001**. Likewise certified to these same standards is the Radici Chimica plant in Novara, Italy, which produces nylon 66 polymers. Concerning product certification, a third-party verified **Environmental Product Declaration (EPD)**, was issued for the BCF yarn sold under the Radifloor[®] brand name. This product is also certified to **OEKO TEX Standard 100.** Finally, a **PEF statement of compliance** was awarded to the polymer 66 produced by Radici Chimica.

Besides its BCF yarns, at Domotex 2019 (Hall 11 Booth C48) RadiciGroup is exhibiting its polyamide 6, 6.10 and 6.6 staple fibres (dorix® and Radilon® Staple fibre), ideal for the manufacture of carpet tiles, and polyethylene, polypropylene and polyamide yarns used for the manufacture of synthetic turf (Radigreen®).



RADICIGROUP – With approximately 3,000 employees, sales revenue of EUR 1,147 million in 2017 and a network of production and sales sites located throughout Europe, North America, South America and Asia, RadiciGroup is one of the world's leading producers of a wide range of chemical intermediates, polyamide polymers, engineering plastics, synthetic fibres and nonwovens. These products – the result of the Group's outstanding chemical expertise and vertically integrated polyamide production chain – have been developed for use in a variety of industrial sectors, such as: AUTOMOTIVE – ELECTRICAL AND ELECTRONICS – CONSUMER GOODS – APPAREL – FURNISHINGS – CONSTRUCTION – HOUSEHOLD APPLIANCES – SPORTS. The basis of the Group's strategy is a strong focus on innovation, quality, customer satisfaction and social and environmental sustainability. With its business areas - Specialty Chemicals, Performance Plastics and Synthetic Fibres & Nonwovens (Performance Yarn, Comfort Fibres and Extrusion Yarn), RadiciGroup is part of a larger industrial group that also includes textile machinery (ITEMA), energy (GEOGREEN) and hotel (SAN MARCO) businesses.