CONCEPT NOTE

Dushanbe, September 23, 2026

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The International Textile Forum Tajikistan — 2026 is a specialized platform providing direct access to investment projects for the development of a full-cycle textile manufacturing industry in the Republic of Tajikistan, operating predominantly on the basis of 98% renewable hydropower energy.

Tajikistan offers investors a unique combination of advantages: access to over 100,000 tonnes of cotton fibre annually, "green" electricity for companies seeking to decarbonize their supply chains, long-term tax and customs incentives, investment agreements backed by parliamentary ratification, and a 50% electricity discount for textile enterprises operating a full production cycle.

The Forum is positioned as an investment gateway and a clear signal to the international market that Tajikistan is ready to host full-cycle production projects — from raw cotton to finished goods — underpinned by green energy and institutional state guarantees.

It complements the national strategy with elements of a modern investment platform: a unified project presentation standard, transparent deal architecture, industry hub branding, and a systematic post-event communication framework with investors.

It should be noted that from 8 to 10 July 2025, the capital of Tajikistan hosted the inaugural International Textile Forum, which became a landmark gathering for industry representatives from over 40 countries. The key outcome of that event was the signing of a Memorandum of Understanding with global textile equipment manufacturers, aimed at introducing advanced technologies and technically re-equipping spinning facilities in the country. The Forum 2025 confirmed Tajikistan's investment potential and production capabilities, laying the groundwork for further expansion of international cooperation.

I. GENERAL INFORMATION ABOUT THE FORUM

Name: International Textile Forum Tajikistan — 2026

Venue: Dushanbe, Republic of Tajikistan (Hyatt Regency Dushanbe)

Date: September 23, 2026

Organizers:

- Ministry of Industry and New Technologies of the Republic of Tajikistan;
- Supported by the Government of the Republic of Tajikistan and the International Textile Manufacturers Federation (ITMF).

Strategic Context

The Forum is held within the framework of the National Strategy for the Development of Cotton Production, Processing, and the Textile Industry in the Republic of Tajikistan for the period 2024–2040, which envisages the establishment of several large full-cycle textile clusters and a phased increase in textile exports to USD 3 billion. The concept of positioning Tajikistan as a "green" textile hub is an integral part of this strategic course.

II. GOALS, OBJECTIVES, AND POSITIONING OF THE FORUM

1. To establish and consolidate Tajikistan's positioning as a country with full-cycle textile production based on 98% renewable energy, attracting foreign direct investment and strategic partnerships with global players to achieve the target level of textile exports.

2. Positioning

Within the Forum, Tajikistan is positioned under the concept of the "green backbone" of Eurasian textile supply chains, built on three key pillars:

a) Energy Foundation for Green Enterprises

The predominant use of hydropower resources (98% of electricity generated) and the provision of preferential tariffs (up to 50% discount for full-cycle enterprises) create conditions for low-carbon production that meets the current ESG requirements of international partners and global brands.

b) Institutional and Legal Certainty

Long-term tax and customs incentives, investment agreements with parliamentary ratification, and the Government's commitment to supporting investors at all stages of project implementation form a regime of high predictability and legal protection of capital.

c) Project Readiness and Supply Chain Transparency

The availability of prepared feasibility studies (FS) for textile clusters, the development of digital traceability of production chains, and the focus on implementing Industry 4.0 technologies create the prerequisites for integrating Tajik enterprises into global value chains on competitive terms.

Key Objectives of the Forum

- To position Tajikistan as a jurisdiction with one of the most "green" energy balances in the region and preferential tariffs for full-cycle textile enterprises.
- To form and present to interested investors a portfolio of fully infrastructure-equipped, land-secured, and state-guaranteed full-cycle textile cluster projects in a unified investment format.
- To demonstrate the compliance of Tajik textile projects with international sustainability and certification standards (BCI, GOTS, ISO 14001), given the high share of renewable energy sources and deep localization of production chains.
- To facilitate technology transfer and digitalization of the textile industry based on Industry 4.0 solutions.
- To ensure direct interaction between investors, financial institutions, equipment manufacturers, and domestic enterprises through targeted negotiations, thematic sessions, and investment case presentations.

III. TARGET AUDIENCE AND PARTICIPANTS

International Participants

- Official delegations from more than 40 countries (including China, the Russian Federation, Turkey, Iran, India, Pakistan, the Republic of Korea, Japan, Singapore, Vietnam, Austria, Switzerland, Belgium, Italy, Germany, the United Kingdom, Saudi Arabia, Egypt, Jordan, the United Arab Emirates, Armenia, Belarus, Uzbekistan, the Kyrgyz Republic, Kazakhstan, Turkmenistan, and Azerbaijan).
- Textile equipment manufacturers: Rieter, LMW, USTER, Toyoda, Saurer, Truetzschler, Textima, Marzoli, Picanol, Bajaj, and other leading suppliers of spinning, weaving, dyeing, finishing, and cotton ginning equipment.
- Investors and financial institutions: International Finance Corporation (IFC), World Bank (WB), European Bank for Reconstruction and Development (EBRD), Asian Development Bank (ADB), Islamic development banks, as well as direct and portfolio investment funds focused on sustainable projects and green bond instruments.

- International organizations: International Textile Manufacturers Federation (ITMF), GIZ, UNIDO, and other relevant bodies involved in the development of sustainable supply chains and industry standards.

National Participants

- Ministries and agencies of the Republic of Tajikistan involved in industrial, investment, financial, and foreign economic affairs.
- Existing and prospective textile enterprises of the country interested in expanding production capacity, modernization, and attracting strategic partners.
- National financial institutions and development banks.
- Research organizations and higher educational institutions prepared to participate in workforce training and innovation in the industry.

The expected total number of Forum participants is 200–250 persons, including at least 100 foreign delegates.

IV. EXPECTED OUTCOMES

Investment Attraction

Reaching cooperation agreements reflected in signed agreements, memoranda of understanding, and, where ready, investment contracts for full-cycle textile cluster projects.

Quantitative Participation Indicators

Ensuring the presence of 200–250 delegates, including at least 100 foreign participants representing various segments of international textile chains, financial institutions, and technology suppliers.

Media and Reputational Impact

Achieving wide coverage in international industry publications and specialized media, including digital and social platforms, with a focus on sustainable development, green energy, and the investment climate of Tajikistan.

Attracting Transnational Companies

Expanding the presence of major international brands and equipment manufacturers engaged in the implementation of textile cluster projects.

CONCLUSION

The International Textile Forum Tajikistan — 2026 is envisioned as a strategic investment platform that brings together national priorities, real production projects, and the interests of international capital. The Forum offers investors a unique combination: access to a significant volume of cotton raw materials, green energy, competitive tax and customs conditions, legal protection through parliamentarily ratified agreements, and a portfolio of investment-ready projects with detailed feasibility studies. The event, scheduled for September 2026, is intended to serve as an entry point for investors interested in participating in the formation of a regional "green" textile hub — from the current volume of raw cotton exports to a phased achievement of USD 3 billion in finished textile product exports.

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PROGRAM
INTERNATIONAL TEXTILE FORUM

Date: September 23, 2026
Venue: Hyatt Regency Dushanbe, Dushanbe, Republic of Tajikistan
Organizer: Ministry of Industry and New Technologies
With support of:

- Government of the Republic of Tajikistan
- International Textile Manufacturers Federation (ITMF)
- Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ)

FORUM SCHEDULE

Time	Activity	Responsible
08:00–09:00	**Registration of forum participants, coffee break**	Organizing Committee
09:00–09:10	**Group photo of participants**	Organizing Committee
09:10–09:20	**OFFICIAL OPENING CEREMONY** Welcome address by the Prime Minister of the Republic of Tajikistan	Moderator (TBD)
09:20–09:35	**Video presentation** "From Cotton to a Brand: Tajikistan's Textile Industry," dedicated to the development of the domestic textile sector, its role in regional value chains, and strategic development prospects through 2040	Moderator (TBD)
09:35–10:40	**MINISTERIAL PANEL SESSION** *Format:* Moderator's opening remarks (5 min) + speeches by participants (10 min each)	Moderator (TBD)
10:40–11:00	**Agreement and Memorandum Signing Ceremony**	Moderator
11:00–11:15	**Coffee break**	
11:15–12:40	**PANEL SESSION No. 1** **Topic:** "Digitalization, Automation & AI" - Modern ginning technologies: maintaining fiber quality during machine harvesting and raw cotton processing - Concept of a fully automated spinning mill: implementation experience and results - Data and AI-driven quality management: online production monitoring - Spinning from recycled and blended raw materials: energy efficiency and reduction of production costs *Format:* Moderator's opening remarks (5 min) + company case presentations (Individual presentation by each panelist including presentation slides—15 minutes) + Q&A (20 min)	**Organizer:** ITMF **Moderator:** Mr. Christian Schindler
12:40–13:40	**Lunch break**	
13:40–14:40	**PANEL SESSION No. 2** **Topic:** "Green Value Chain: Sustainable Cotton and Workforce Training" - Sustainable cotton production: international standards (Better Cotton Initiative, certification) and implementation	**Organizer:** GIZ **Moderator:** (TBD)

	- Traceability in the textile chain: Digital Product Passport - Dual education: successful models of cooperation between educational institutions and enterprises *Format:* Moderator's opening remarks (3 min) + expert presentations (45 min) + Q&A (12 min)	
14:40–15:40	**PANEL SESSION No. 3** **Topic:** "Investments in Modernization: Green Financing and Export Support Mechanisms" - International financial instruments for textile enterprise modernization - Green loans and grants: requirements and application procedure - Practical cases of successful investment attraction in the textile sector *Format:* Presentations by financial institutions (45 min) + discussion with questions (15 min)	**Organizer:** IFC **Moderator:** Farrukh Karimbaev
15:40–16:40	**B2B meetings and business networking**	Organizing Committee
16:40–17:00	**Closing remarks / Summing up the forum**	

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Note: The forum program may be adjusted by the organizers.