



ROICA™ Debuts at Performance Days: Pioneering Functional Excellence and Trusted Innovation for the Evolving Sports Apparel Industry

ROICA™, the premium stretch fiber by Asahi Kasei, proudly announces its highly anticipated debut at Performance Days this October in Munich. As the sports apparel industry continues its rapid evolution, ROICA™ steps onto this global stage to showcase its advanced functionality, trusted brand reliability, and commitment to environmentally conscious innovation.

A New Chapter for ROICA™

With this inaugural participation, ROICA™ aims to introduce its superior performance and unique value to a wider audience of sportswear professionals and innovators. The brand's philosophy is rooted in three pillars:

1. **Sincere Regards for Society:** Contributing to sustainability by promoting clean environment and energy as well as a healthy, comfortable, and secure longevity society.
2. **Innovation through Co-Creation:** Collaborating with partners to develop solutions that meet the demands of a dynamic market.
3. **Importance of Communication:** Building trust and delivering quality through open dialogue with partners and brands.

At **Hall A2, Booth R09**, ROICA™ will present a curated selection of innovations and collaborations that exemplify its role as a creative enabler in the textile industry.

Meet the ROICA™ Partners from Europe

Four leading European partners will display their latest fabric collections, each demonstrating the transformative power of ROICA™ in sports and activewear.

■ Cifra

Hall A2 – Booth Q03



Cifra, renowned as the “warp knit centre of excellence,” brings its pioneering WKS (Warp Knit Seamless) technology to the forefront of athleisure innovation. The WKS process is both technologically advanced and environmentally conscious, reducing waste and improving material efficiency. In collaboration with Wolford, Cifra WKS has developed the Wolford Athleisure line to combine innovation, performance, and style. Each outfit is crafted from sustainable materials like ECONYL® and ROICA™ V550, delivering durability, comfort and a premium feel. Designed for light sports activities such as yoga and pilates, these pieces also transition seamlessly into contemporary leisurewear,



making them both functional and effortlessly stylish. Visit [website](#).

■ Inplet Pletiva

Hall A1 – Booth Jo4



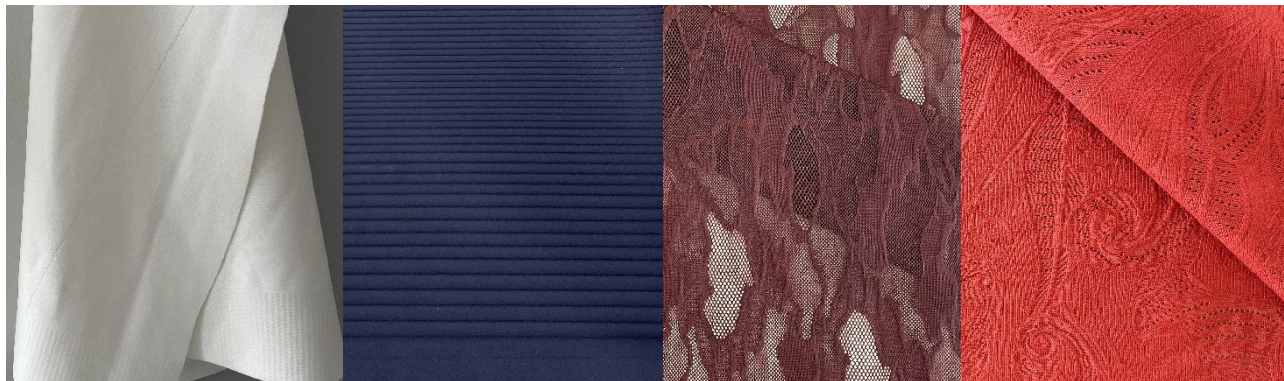
Inplet Pletiva, based in Slovenia, is renowned for its expertise in both elastic and rigid knitted fabrics, with a special focus on Powernet, Tricot, and Tulle—many of which now feature ROICA™ V550 for excellent stretch and environmental care. At this exhibition, Inplet Pletiva presents a diverse range of fabric samples that combine advanced performance with environmentally conscious design. The company’s portfolio includes materials such as polyamide, polyester, recycled fibers, cotton, bamboo, elastane, offering properties like bisphenol free, multi-directional stretch, breathability, chlorine resistance, biodegradable and double face. As an OEKO-TEX and GRS certified company, Inplet Pletiva is committed to responsible production and high-volume output while maintaining rigorous quality and sustainability standards. Their dedication to continuous improvement and market responsiveness makes them a trusted partner for brands seeking innovative and environmentally conscious textile solutions. Visit [website](#).

■ Penn Solutions

Hall A1 – Booth Co6

Penn Solutions, uniting Penn Italia and Penn Textile Solutions, blends Italian creativity with German engineering to deliver innovative, sustainable textiles. Their latest collection features both Tricot and Lace base fabrics, each incorporating ROICA™ V550 for superior stretch and environmentally conscious performance. These samples showcase advanced customization, including engineered panels with breathable and supportive zones, aerodynamic structures, and gripper bands

for optimal fit and comfort. The range also includes swimwear and lace bases with invisible edges and two-way stretch, offering versatility and elegance. As an OEKO-TEX STANDARD 100, HIGG, ZDHC, and GRS certified company, Penn Solutions demonstrates a strong commitment to environmental and social responsibility, supported by annual ESG reporting. Their dedication allows every fabric to meet high standards of technical excellence and environmental care, making them a trusted partner for forward-thinking brands. Visit [website](#).



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■ Sitip

Hall A1 – Booth E14-15



Sitip leverages ROICA™ fibers to develop a comprehensive range of technical fabrics that combine elasticity, comfort, and versatility with outstanding aesthetic and functional performance. By utilizing advanced stretch fibers such as degradable ROICA™ V550 and chlorine-resistant ROICA™, Sitip's textiles deliver superior color fastness, softness, and fit, even after repeated use and exposure to harsh conditions. Signature products include the Blizzard Thermal Comfort, warp knitted thermo-regulating fabric that is bi-stretch and internally brushed with ultra-soft microfiber, Native-Blizzard K2 (GRS-certified recycled version), Breeze with Eclipse Sun Protection (no-see-through with maximum UV protection UPF50+), and Force PLX Light for high-performance summer wear. Sitip's eco-design strategy ensures all fabrics meet stringent international standards, including OEKO-TEX® Standard 100, bluesign®, GRS, and ZDHC compliance. The company's dedication to traceability, environmental management (ISO 14001, ISO 50001), social responsibility (SA8000), and carbon foot-

print reduction (ISO 14064-1) positions Sitip as a leader in environmentally conscious textile innovation, offering brands high-quality, responsible solutions. Visit [website](#).

Special Exhibit: Uniform for EXPO 2025 Osaka by CRAFTTEVO - V&A Japan

V&A (exhibiting as CRAFTTEVO – V&A Japan, Hall A1 Booth A1-02) developed the official uniforms for EXPO 2025 Osaka, Kansai, using compostable CRAFTTEVO® ReTE and ROICA™ V550 degradable stretch fiber. These uniforms, worn by 2,500 staff, are made with compostable materials—including fabric, threads, and labels. After the Expo, all uniforms will be collected and composted, reducing waste and CO₂ emissions, and setting

a new standard for sustainable event apparel.

About Wolford

Established in 1950 by the shores of Lake Constance in the city of Bregenz, Wolford is the leading global brand in luxury skinwear. Driven by passion and innovation, the company produces some of the most exceptional fabrics and manufactures high-quality legwear, lingerie and bodywear. Over the past decades, Wolford has collaborated with the greatest photographers and designers on the planet to jointly create some of the most epic advertising campaigns and brand collaborations. As a core brand value, the company is committed to continuously improving its sustainability programs by funding numerous activities and driving technological innovation. Wolford is a company listed on the Vienna Stock Exchange and since 2018 is part of the international luxury fashion conglomerate Lanvin Group. On December 15th, 2022, Lanvin Group has been listed on the NYSE.

About V&A Japan

V&A Japan is a textile trading company based in Osaka. The company collaborates with yarn processors, weaving mills, and dyeing factories across Japan to consistently produce high-quality fabrics. Its strength lies in processing technologies that maximize the characteristics of materials, adding functional and tactile value, as well as its expertise in production management and trade operations, enabling a flexible response to both domestic and international needs. Visit [website](#).

About CRAFTIVO® ReTE

CRAFTIVO® ReTE is a special compostable polyester that decomposes into water, carbon dioxide, and biomass when buried under specific composting conditions. After use, it is collected and composted, which reduces waste and avoids incineration, thereby contributing to a reduction in carbon dioxide emissions. Compared to recycled polyester, it can reduce CO₂ emissions during disposal by 32.8%.

About ROICA™

ROICA™ "Advanced fit for living" is a premium stretch fiber with an innovative range of smart features to fit the modern wardrobe. ROICA™ combines comfort, performance, and exceptional fit, elevating the quality and value of everyday attire for sports, activewear, underwear, fashion, and business. ROICA™ is Asahi Kasei's brand of premium stretch fiber. / ROICA™ is a trademark of Asahi Kasei Corp.

For more details about the sustainability of ROICA™, please visit [our website](#) for more details about the sustainability of ROICA™.

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