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## Intertextile *Directions* Trend Forum explores tomorrow's fashion in a turbulent future

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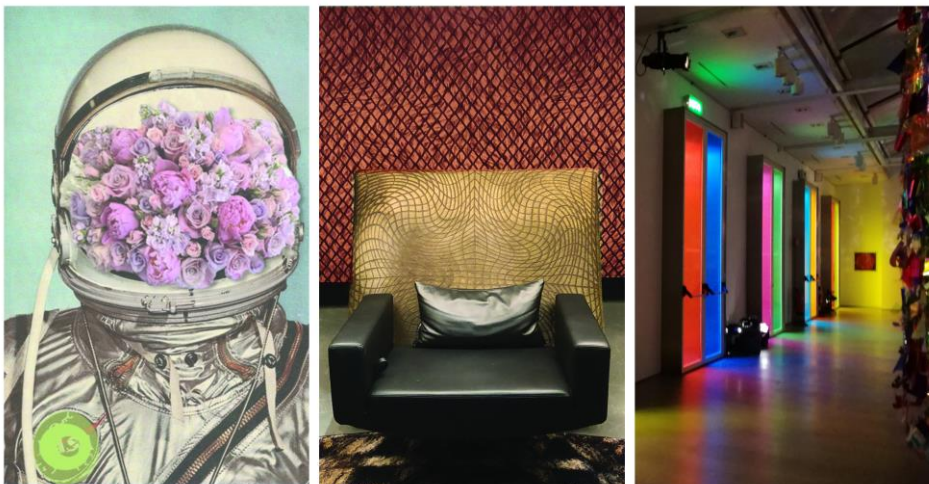
**With over 70,000 trade buyers attending this year's Intertextile Shanghai Apparel Fabrics – Autumn Edition, the Intertextiles *Directions* Trend Forum in hall 5.1 is a well-established research and marketing tool for international designers and garment professionals. Wild textures and bold colours represent a journey as society asks itself the important question – what will tomorrow look like?**

### **Merging humanity and technology in a shared future**

In a time where clouds of technology dictate real social movements, A/W19 trends are set to explore the unknown world. The uncertainty of the future is reflected in a dreamlike imagination of a new world, whilst holding onto the strengths of heritage. Linking past memories with future potentials, trends encourage reflections on the individual as innovation and technology merge to a point where personalities and online personas become two different beings.

### **Intertextile *Directions* Autumn/Winter 2019 Trend Forum**

Developed by handpicked global trend experts from Milan, New York, Paris and Tokyo, three trends that tell the story of a transformative world will be presented: Fairy Tech, Classic Plus and Crossworld.



This year's three trends: Fairy Tech, Classic Plus and Crossworld

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## **Fairy Tech**

Injecting colour into concrete, the A/W19 Fairy Tech trend balances soft and hard. Cool tinted neutrals harmonise with clean pastels. It adds a playful sense to the season, matching delicate silky aspects and superlight blends to more technical sport qualities.

## **Classic Plus**

Looking to nature, and the rapidly increasing movement of sustainability, is the Classic Plus trend which takes warm natural fabrics with an elegant, powerful luxury. Precious textured fabrics – warm cashmere, brushed mohair, alpaca blends – are impeccably enhanced with glazed, lacquered materials and protective, resistant technologies. As the name of the trend suggests, Classic Plus is a sense of security and familiarity in a turbulent present, enhanced to its best potential.

## **Crossworld**

The Crossworld trend sets out to discover a raw, unknown world. Natural influences are grasped and revised in an unexpected mix of colours. Fabric technology defends the individual with reflective surfaces, chameleon effects, spectacular holographics and a myriad of protective coatings. Rich and dark, at this trend forum visitors are encouraged to allow their dreams to run wild.

## **Domestic Trend Forums**

As well as the international trend showcase, the Fabrics China Trend Forums will present more insight into the latest fabric trends in China. To discover the A/W19 season of ladieswear and menswear fashions, buyers can visit the Fabrics China Trend Forums in hall 1 (Techno and Functions), hall 6.2 (Accessories), hall 7.1 (Sustainable Fashions) and hall 8.1 (Fashion Focus).

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Notes to editors:

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