

CENTRE FOR CIRCULAR FASHION



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INSTINCT is more than just a name—it's a philosophy. This circular fashion centre is designed to be a dynamic hub where innovation, sustainability, education, and creativity intersect. It fosters a new instinctive approach to fashion, one where circular thinking isn't an afterthought—it's embedded in every decision, every design, and every narrative.

# INSTINCT - Key Highlights

#### Innovative

- Cutting-edge material innovation, design techniques with circular re-design thinking.
- Collaborations with tech innovators: Al in fashion, bio-fabrication, and material science
- Incubation space for sustainable fashion & textile waste management startups

#### **Narratives**

- Storytelling as a core tool to shift mindsets
- Amplifying indigenous knowledge, craft traditions, and regenerative practices
- Showcasing journeys and sustainable initiatives of ethical brands, retailers and artisans

#### Sustainable

- Emphasis on renewable, long-lasting materials and processes
- Regenerative practices: natural dyes, low-water usage, energy management & closed-loop systems
- Carbon tracking and offset programs

# Tenacity

- Pushing boundaries in sustainability despite industry challenges
- Advocating for policy changes and ethical labour rights
- Community empowerment through skill-building and strategic manoeuvring

## Integrated

- Bridging the gap between academia, industry, artisans, brands and consumers
- · Circularity embedded across functions: design, production, education, retail
- Space for collaboration across disciplines: fashion x science, art, tech

#### Nurture

- Educational & Upskill workshops for industrial professional and students
- Mentorship programs for emerging designers and startups
- Community-focused repair and alteration hubs
- Safe space for experimentation and failing forward

#### Circular

- · Reuse, repair, resale, remanufacturing
- Recycling, Upcycling and Downcycling
- Material libraries and swatch exchanges
- Take-back programs and digital passports via supply chain traceability

# Thinking

- Challenging linear models with systemic alternatives
- Hosting panels, exhibitions, and think tanks
- Instilling circularity as a mindset from consumer to creator

# **Executive Summary**

A quick overview of INSTINCT's purpose, vision, and what it seeks to achieve.

#### 1. Problem Statement

- The global fashion industry's waste crisis
- Lack of spaces dedicated to systemic, circular thinking
- Gap between design, innovation, industry and community participation

### 2. The Solution: INSTINCT

- A multi-functional, interdisciplinary centre
- Bridges the gap between theory and practice
- · Nurtures circular mindsets through education, creation, and innovation

# 3. Key Features & Services

- · Circular Lab with project management
- Tech-based supply chain traceability and management systems
- Resource Centre
- Retail-as-Experience
- Learning Hub & Material Library
- Collaborative Programs & Workshops
- Policy & Advocacy Arm

# 4. Strategic Objectives

- Provide brands with tangible waste management solutions
- Create local circular economies
- Empower emerging designers, startups and artisans
- Build public awareness of circular fashion
- Foster collaborative research, design re-think and concept implementation

### 5. Stakeholder Engagement

- Fashion brands, retailers and designers
- · Industry Members through the entire value chain
- Universities and Research institutes
- NGOs & Advocacy groups
- Local council & Govt agencies

#### 6. Revenue Model

- Membership programs with studio access
- Workshops & Training programs
- · Brand partnerships with buy-back programs
- Research grants
- Advisory & consulting services

# 7. Impact Measurement

- Reduction in textile waste (Pre & post-consumer)
- Circularity metrics (reuse, repair, resale & re-direct)
- Number of community members engaged
- Environmental and social impact reporting

# PILOT PROJECTS by INSTINCT

- Resource Identification & Circular Engagement (RICE)
- Take Responsibility of Your Waste (TRYW)

# BECOME A INSTINCT STAKEHOLDER

- We firmly believe that together we can make a difference.
- Are you interested in becoming a part of **INSTINCT**?

For textile service companies, these are the benefits:

- The members of **INSTINCT** are collectively committed to Sustainability and Circularity.
- INSTINCT offers a full-service sustainable solution of Pre & Post Consumer Textile Waste for the (B2B) textile service market with multiple aggregators in the recycling sector.
- Our preferred material type, Cotton and other natural fibres the best match is made to a specific market.
- Part of the turnover generated by INSTINCT is invested in projects aimed at promoting sustainability and circularity in the textile service chain.
- Members actively contribute to the optimisation of the (textile) supply chain and participate in INSTINCT working
  groups to build resource centres, initiate crowd funding, provide framework for CRS activities and access.
- Members of INSTINCT receive a fair market price.
- INSTINCT creates partnerships in the supply chain to realise our goal of textiles circularity.
- Our members make a joint effort in the field of Sustainability and Circularity and put this into practice.
- INSTINCT provides marketing information to stakeholders, upskill programs and workshops.
- INSTINCT offers stakeholders the opportunity to participate in INSTINCT pilot projects.

If you want to work with INSTINCT to move the textile service industry towards a circular chain, become a partner now.

Everyone who wants to be part of **INSTINCT** as a stakeholder signs a declaration. In this way, we want to ensure that all stakeholders subscribe to the **INSTINCT** values and share the same goals for a more sustainable development.



Thank You!