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Foreword

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The Workshop was promoted by a European consortium led by Euratex, the European Apparel and Textile Organisation based in Brussels.

The TEX SPIN Workshop was based on the contribution, in terms of technologies, experience and know-how, from the parallel pilot project TEX SPIN/ISS (TEXtile Supply Chain Integrated Network/ Information system standards) and from two projects, MODA-ML and ETEXML. The TEX SPIN/ISS project aimed at developing upgraded EDITEX messages conforming to EANCOM and the pilot XML/EDI experiences based on new XML messages¹. MODA-ML (FP5 IST project) targeted the upstream part of the supply chain, while ETEXML (project funded by the French government) focused on the downstream part of the supply chain.

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