

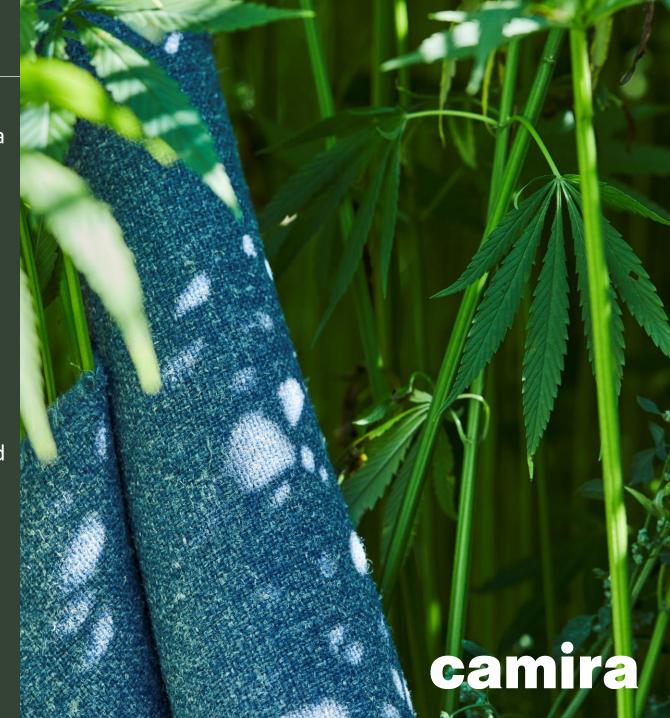
#### **Introducing Camira**

We were founded in 1974 as Camborne Fabrics, so we celebrated our 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary in 2024. We became Camira in 2006 following a management buy-out.

We have been a textile partner to Nowy Styl since the 1990s, growing and innovating together and advancing sustainability in the office and contract furniture markets.

We design and manufacture our own fabrics, going from farm to yarn to finished fabric, and handling all the textile production processes in between.

We have built an unrivalled reputation for sustainability and innovation in product design and development, being first to market in multiple product categories: introducing recycled wool and polyester in the 1990s; innovating plant based fabrics in the 2000s; closed loop content in the 2010s; marine plastic in the 2020s; and most recently advancing textile to textile recycling from our own production waste, as well as waste from fashion and the wider textile and furniture industries.



# Our Vision: To be the <u>natural choice</u> for fabric and textile solutions globally.

#### **Our Mission:**

To inspire our customers with fabric and textile solutions which set the standard for design, manufacturing and sustainability, and to provide a brilliant customer service through people and technology.

#### **Project description**

Category 2

Origin, recycling content and recyclability of the product in the context of circular economy support.

Advancing the circular economy through innovation in wool and polyester recycling, accelerating the introduction of Textile to Textile (T2T) fabrics in a proactive attempt to tackle and mitigate the global textile waste problem.

This application will present the introduction of our Camira Circular product label, with a major focus on our T2T initiatives. These will address:

- Transition to a circular economy
- Pollution prevention and control
- Protection of water resources
- Protection of biodiversity and eco-systems

We will hear directly from the Camira team through a series of video clips which will support the narrative of our application.



#### Our response

We have responded in three ways, taking inspiration from Ellen MacArthur's model of the circular economy:

- 1. Textile to Textile fabrics using pre- and postconsumer textile waste, which is recycled and given a second life for furniture.
- 2. Recycled polyester fabrics we have been a pioneer in post-consumer recycled fabrics for over 25 years and more recently have introduced fabrics made from ocean waste.
- 3. Renewable fabrics based on the biological cycle, grown and not man-made, annually renewable from plants and animals.

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#### Our response in numbers

We have undertaken LCA and issued EPDs to understand the benefits of our approach, to help in the comparison of material types. The reduction in Global Warming Potential is shown below:

- 1. Textile to Textile fabrics (wool based):
- Up to 50% reduction in GWP when recycled wool is introduced compared to a 100% wool product
- Up to 70% reduction in GWP when recycled wool and flax are introduced compared to a 100% wool product
- 2. Recycled polyester fabrics::
- Up to 47% reduction in GWP when recycled polyester is introduced compared to 100% virgin polyester
- 3. Renewable fabrics:
- Up to 30% reduction in GWP when 25% flax is introduced compared to a 100% wool product
- Up to 35% reduction in GWP when 30% flax is introduced compared to a 100% wool product



<sup>\*</sup> Cut-off method allocation approach has been used to address the impact of the recycling material. The cut-off approach (sometimes referred to as the recycled content approach or the 100:0 approach) accounts for no impacts or avoided impacts beyond the boundary of the product life cycle.

The problem we are faced with.



#### Our response (1)

The first category of Camira Circular is Textile to Textile, also referred to as T2T.

So we're making new yarn and fabrics from both synthetic and natural materials.

From polyester clothing from the fashion industry – both pre-consumer offcut waste and post-consumer worn garments.

From waste wool yarn from our own manufacturing waste, as well as from the textile and furniture industries.

Using both mechanical and chemical recycling technologies.





#### Textile to textile recycling explained (1)

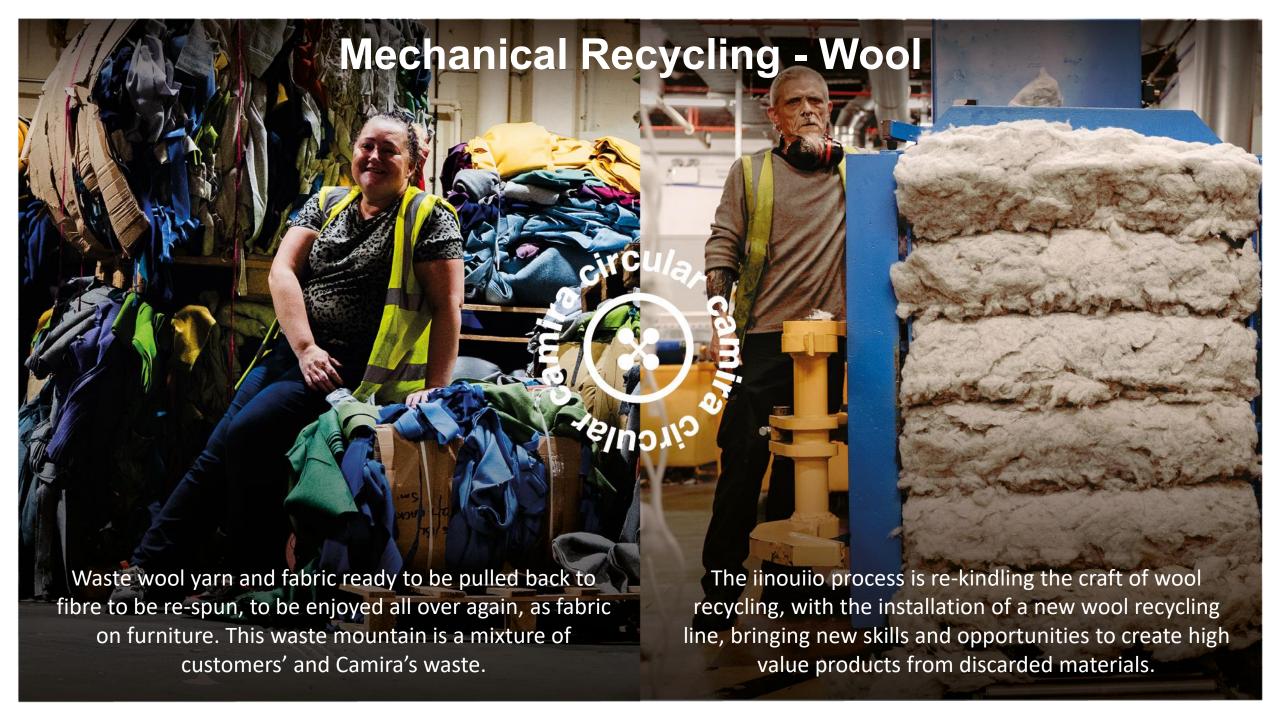
What is Textile to Textile recycling?

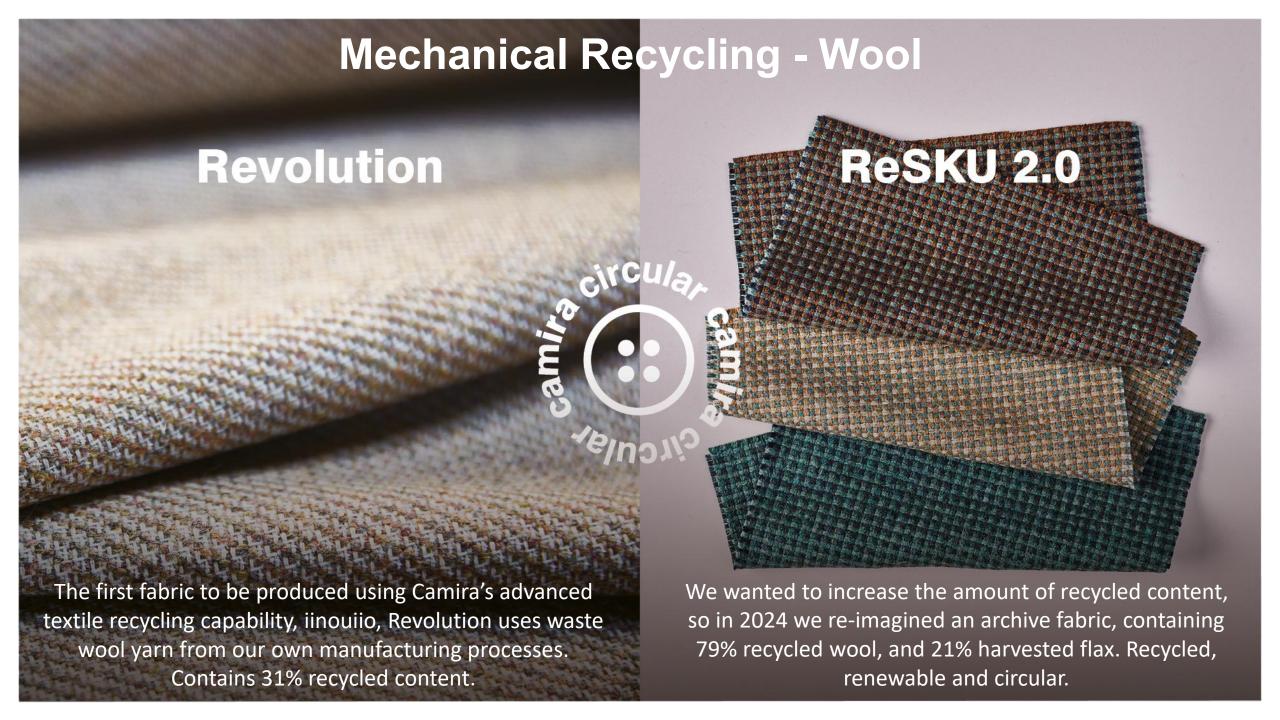
"Recycling a fabric into another fabric, or recycling a yarn into another yarn."

#### Textile to textile recycling explained (2)

Mechanical and chemical recycling?

"Mechanical shreds fibres and fabrics for re-spinning; chemical dissolves fibres into monomers for reforming into fibre."





"The magic trick begins by sorting the fabrics by quality and colour. The original colour is also recycled".

## Chemical Recycling - Polyester Lucia T2 Re-engineering our highest volume polyester for panels Re-engineering our first fabric to include waste yarn and (Lucia), from plastic bottles to 100% Textile to Textile selvedge, in 2024 we increased the T2T amount to 25% textile waste. This includes closed loop content from our recycled waste. Introduced in 2025, using pre- and

own production, as well as fashion industry waste.

post-consumer clothing, making an immediate impact.

## **Chemical Recycling - Polyester**

Re-engineering more fabrics in 2025

#### Gravity

#### From

76% polyester, 24% post-consumer **To** 80% polyester, 15% post-consumer, 5% textile to textile



#### Cedar

#### Erom

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#### Aspen

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#### To

51% polyester, 37% post-consumer recycled polyester, 12% textile to textile recycled polyester

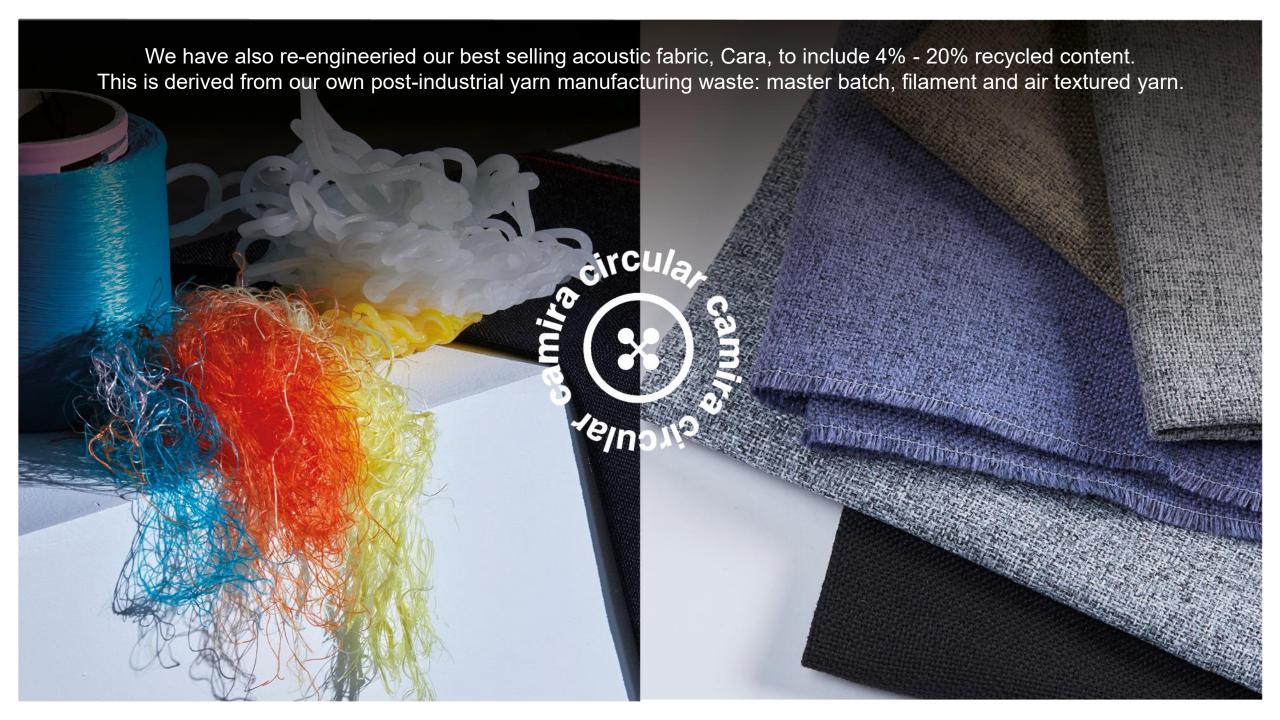
#### **Blossom**

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#### The benefits of Textile to Textile recycling

"Avoiding waste textiles going into landfill or incineration".

#### Our response (2)

The second category of Camira Circular is Recycled Polyester.

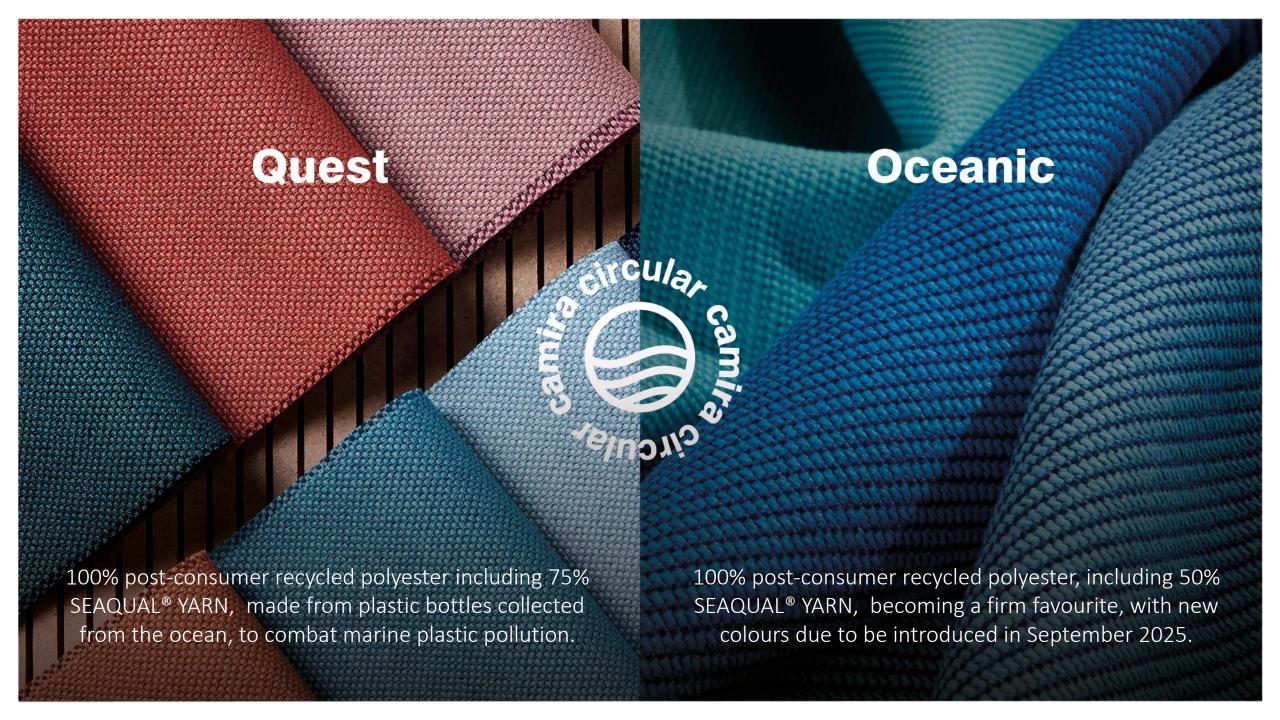
We began using post-consumer recycled plastic bottles in the 1990s. We calculate we have used around 35 million plastic bottles since then.

We were also first to market with SEAQUAL ocean waste fabrics. These are made from "ocean found" marine litter, collected from the sea, coastlines and rivers, rather than "ocean bound" which can originate up to 50km away from the sea.

We are introducing SEAQUAL to the public transport sector in 2025, as well as launching new colours in our first SEAQUAL range called Oceanic.











#### Rivet

Designed to blend the aesthetic qualities of luxury woollen apparel, it's a 100% post-consumer recycled polyester created from used plastic bottles.

RePlay

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A knitted appearance in a woven fabric, RePlay is made from 100% post-consumer recycled polyester and TCPP free.

**Xtreme** 

Xtreme is a modern crepe weave fabric made from 100% post-consumer recycled polyester, ideal for task seating.

#### Our response (3)

The third category of Camira Circular is Renewable, made from annually renewable natural materials.

This includes Mother Nature's smart, intelligent fibre, pure new wool. Grown on sheep, rather than man-made, we use both British and New Zealand wool, respecting the five freedoms of animal welfare and land management.

We have also innovated a new category of plant based fabrics, using bast fibre crops such as nettles, hemp and flax. Combined with wool in the correct proportions, these fabrics are inherently flame-retardant without any added chemical treatment.







## **Blazer Lite**

circula,

A wide width (170cm) fabric ideal for upholstering vertical panels, acoustic applications.

## Aquarius

100% natural wool, which is not only rapidly renewable but also fully biodegradeable.

## **Main Line Flax** A blend of 25% flax and 75% pure new wool to create a multi-tonal, inherently flame-retardant fabric.

## Hemp

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75% pure new wool and 25% hemp create a plant-based, naturally flame-retardant fabric with a classic plain weave.

## **Main Line Twist**

A tweed effect, multi-tone textile, made to pair with Main Line Flax, Main Line Twist is also created using 25% flax and 75% pure new wool.

**Summary – glossary of environmental textile terms.** 

Jargon buster.

"From EPD to T2T, bast fibres to SEAQUAL – circular design in practice".

Future forward – a nod to where we are heading.

**Environmental innovation.** 

"Investigating new fibre types, from seaweed, to pineapple leaves, to mushrooms".

Our commitment to responsible material handling, regenerative manufacturing and collaborative re-use.

Camira Circular marks our commitment to sustainable design.

- Textile-to-textile:
   Repurposing waste yarn, fabrics and clothing into new yarn and fabric
- Recycled plastic:
  Giving plastic waste a second life
- Renewable materials:
   Harnessing nature's resources like wool,
   flax, or hemp to create naturally low-impact textiles



## Environmental, Social & Governance

#### **Environmental**

EcoMonitor: waste, water, energy Effluent management / containment and emissions

Chemical management / restricted substances

**Environmental permitting** 

Noise management

Water management improvements

Renewable energy (Lithuania)

Textile circularity / iinouiio

Environmental FR chemistry

New product development

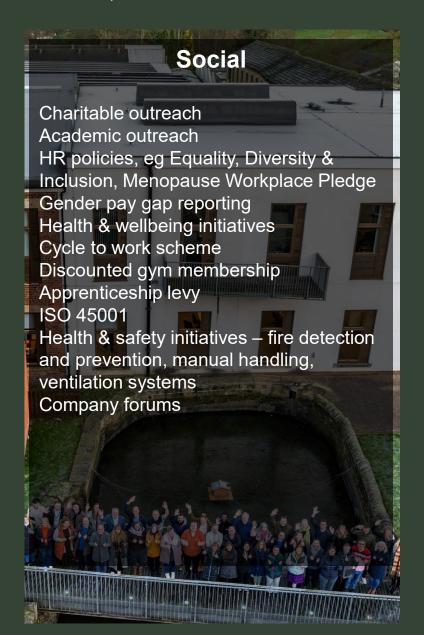
Product eco-labels

**EPDs and LCAs** 

**Extended Producer Responsibility** 

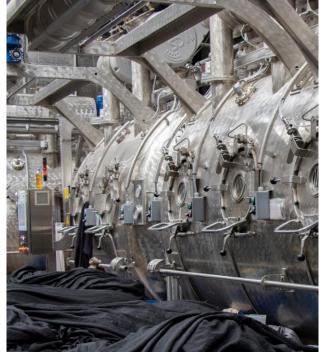
Plastic packaging tax

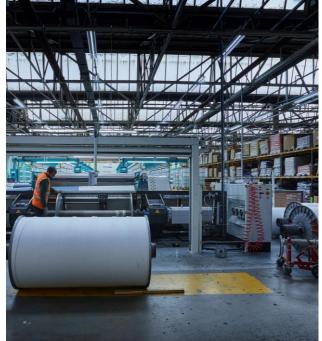
Packaging improvements















#### 2024 in summary: Process and Performance

New Dry Cleaner installation with heat recovery system Optimisation of Production Processes

- Loom speed settings for efficiency (Meltham)
- Packaging improvements project
- Implementation of new trade effluent emissions monitoring programme (Holmfirth Dyers)

EcoVadis Bronze qualification
Environmental Permit at Holmfirth Dyers











#### 2024 in summary: People

- Camira North America: Tree Planting Initiative and therapeutic work with horses for individuals with disabilities
- Camira Lithuania: Support local initiatives, donating fabric and sewn products to children's day care centres and schools, and sponsor local community events.
- Camira UK: Mental Health Awareness Week, fundraising events, supporting local charities and food donations.

### **Sustainability Awards 2025**

#### - multiple award recognitions.



Design Guild Mark for ReSKU 2.0, including the prestigious Jonathan Hindle award for the most outstanding product design.



Clerkenwell Design Week Product Awards for ReSKU 2.0:

- Best of Clerkenwell
- Best Material Innovation
- Textile Award



Sustainable Design Collective Awards for RESKU 2.0:

Innovation



Yorkshire Sustainability Excellence Awards:

- Innovation
- Overall winner

