

Mr. Paolo Rosa Clot and the Fameccanica Team during the Monitoring visit

The Third Monitoring Visit by LIFE Monitor Astrale Timesis

On January 28th, 2016 Fameccanica received the Third Monitoring Visit by the Astrale Timesis representative Mr. Paolo Rosa-Clot, assigned by the EU Life+ Commission to monitor the Life+ Glueless project.

The aim of the visit was to verify all the activities being held in Fameccanica, to check the status of each sub-project and the formal verification of documental requirements.

With reference to the technical aspects of the project, there was a significant visit to the laboratories with detailed explanation of the new prototypes. In particular, major attention was given to the new Intermittent Glueless Elastic Strands test stand and the Lab Test stand for Frontal Tape application.

Then the visit focused on the technical documents and actions, with attention to the technical advancement per each past and next project steps, verification of milestones and results for each of them.

Following, an in-depth session on the

financials and project control, including the verification of the administrative and financial management system, as well as the detailed presentation of the project statement of expenditure, based on the data actually entered in the Company Financial Statements.

A session was then dedicated to the environmental policies (local, national, and, where appropriate, European) inherent to the project with the aim to survey potential opportunities for replication and on ideas for continuation of the project after the end of European funding project.

Once again, Fameccanica demonstrated that the technical activities are skillfully managed and in line with the project framework and that all financial and documental documentation match the formal systems as required by the EU commission.



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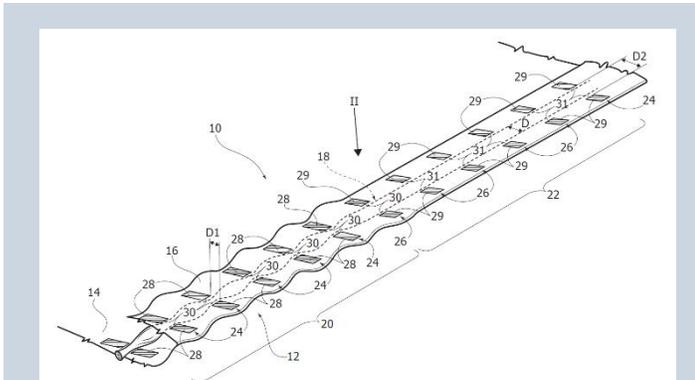
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The general objective of LIFE is to contribute to the implementation, updating and development of EU environmental policy and legislation by co-financing pilot or demonstration projects with European added value."

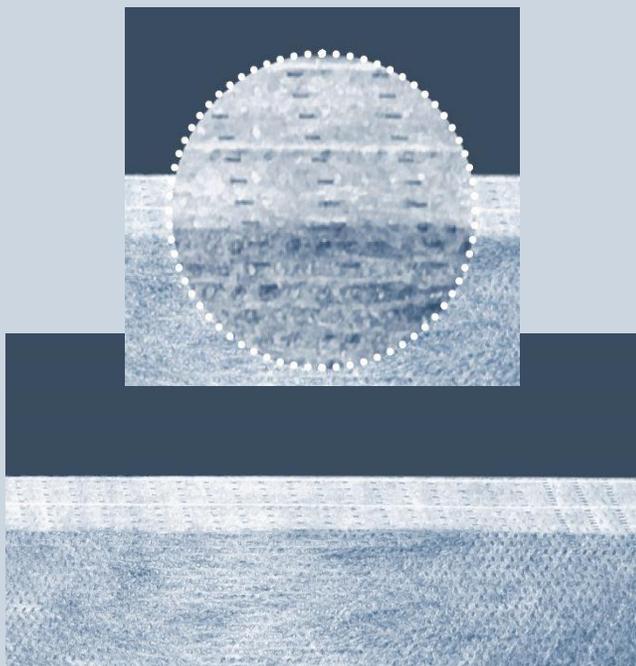
GLUELESS™ Elastic: the new Fameccanica solution for intermittent elastic application

Fameccanica has identified an innovative system for the intermittent elastic application.

The new system lab tested with successful results and the solution confirmed to be a clear step change in the processing of this application vs. the known art in the field, thus providing the evidence that the identified solution was adequate to reach the target production speed.



Schematics of the new Fameccanica solution for intermittent elastics application



Sample of nonwoven incorporating the Fameccanica GLUELESS™ intermittent elastics application



The Frontal Tape Glueless Lab Test

The Frontal Tape Glueless Lab Test started validation activities

Fameccanica started the test activities aimed at validating the technology to manufacture the new Fameccanica GLUELESS™ Frontal Tape product concept, consisting in an innovative composite structure made of Backsheet and Frontal Tape with glueless welding techniques.

Updated tests allowed Fameccanica to confirm that all the raw materials employed have a good bonding attitude, that the welding technology allows to reach the product tactile perception required and that the bonding force needed for this process is perfectly in line with the targets.

The test will continue with additional raw material testing and with the engineering phase.



Sample of Fameccanica GLUELESS™ Frontal Tape product concept