



## 4<sup>TH</sup> EDITION FICOTA- FIRST AFRO-MENA SUSTAINABLE TEX. MACHINERY, FASHION & EXHIBITION CONFERENCE CAIRO EGYPT - NOVEMBER 2026

**Theme: African Cotton Optimization /Industrialization,  
The Game Changer for African Textiles**

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The Egyptian Cotton Research Institute (CRI) and the African Chamber of Trade & Commerce (ACC) in partnership with other institutional partners will host the 4th Edition of the International Cotton, Textiles, Accessories and Fashion Forum FICOTA -2026 under the theme; African Cotton industrialization/Optimization;the game changer for Global Textiles.



With an increasing global interest in sustainability and technological advancements in cotton, textiles, and fashion, the FICOTA Afro-MENA Sustainable Cotton & Smart-Tex 2026 Conference will serve as a pivotal platform to foster research, innovation, strengthen partnerships, and promote sustainable development in the sector. Bringing together key stakeholders from Africa, the Middle East, and beyond, this event will showcase innovations in cotton cultivation, textile machinery, sustainable fashion, and industry best practices.

While focusing on strategically pulling together resources and policies to implement impactful growth, globally recognized public and private sector experts and businesses will be meeting to fetch affordable solutions for structured and sustainable African textiles distribution markets. All of this while tactfully addressing impact of The 2015 Paris Climate Change Convention on carbon credits earnings in the African carbon market place.

Of course, how AI affects sustainability through the value and supply chains of cotton and textiles “from seed to fashion” will be navigated with dexterity, caution and appetite at FICOTA.

#### Why Attend:

Join FICOTA to take advantage of the prestigious opportunity offered by the Egyptian governments to make Egypt a potential destination for African Textiles and apparel. The Egyptian intends to make Egypt the Industrial regional hub for sustainable textiles manufacturing companies through value addition in the MENA region.

#### Objectives:

1. Show case the Egyptian experience in Strengthen Afro-MENA regional collaboration and foster partnerships between cotton producers, traders, and manufacturers.
2. Promote sustainable cotton production by sharing best practices, innovations, and technologies.
3. Enhance market access and identify opportunities to improve the cotton and textile value chain.
4. Showcase technological advancements in textile machinery, smart textiles, and automation.
5. Highlight fashion and design trends with a focus on sustainable and ethical fashion practices.
6. Facilitate trade exchange and investment opportunities through exhibitions and B2B meetings.
7. Provide capacity-building workshops and knowledge-sharing platforms to empower farmers, manufac-