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**WALKING TO THE FUTURE IN THE TEXTILE WORLD WITH E.U. TEXTILE  
AND APPAREL RESEARCH & APPLICATION CENTER**

Our Center, an accredited and registered mark of our country, has already made plans and programs in order to complete every mission of its own for the aim of walking to the future in textile world and begun to realize them as in the past. In this respect, our new management and laboratory building that will be in the active duty will be put into service soon for the future-proof works. Its photo can be seen in the cover of our journal. The aim of our center is to give services for the textile and apparel sector's firms, civil and private foundations. The center will fulfill these services with the new building thoroughly.

The center will contribute to the country and related sectors by increasing its service facilities especially in the subject of research and test capabilities of protective clothes, so it will take an important place in the field of technical textiles.

The coincidence of innovative and rewarding works of our center with the Ege University's 60<sup>th</sup> year of establishment gives us happiness and proud also. I convey my best regards and love for the hope of coming successful years in cooperation with the textile and apparel community.

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