Fall Invited Speaker Series
**TOPIC: Mechanical and Chemical Recycled Fibers**
Monday, September 13, 2021

**Presenter:**
**Kirsi Terho, Key Account Director, Infinited Fiber Company**

Infinited Fiber Company is a textile technology group on a mission to bring joy and hope back to closets by making circularity an everyday reality. Our breakthrough innovation turns cellulose-rich materials – think worn-out clothes, used cardboard, and wheat or rice straw – into Infinna™, a premium textile fiber that looks and feels soft and natural like cotton. Infinna™ is biodegradable, contains no microplastics, and textiles made with it can be recycled in the same process. We are headquartered in Espoo, Finland. Learn more: [https://infinitedfiber.com/](https://infinitedfiber.com/)

**Recap:** Kirsi joined us from Finland, where she is involved in connecting with brands, helping to collect scrap materials from cutting room floors and recycling it into new “Infinna” fiber in their Finnish plant. Their recent partnership with Patagonia peaked my interest. Infinited is able to recycle all blends of textiles – the cellulose is turned into new viscose yarn and the synthetic “sludge” is used to power the textile plant.

**Attendees:** This was an online presentation with 30+ attendees and over 100 sign ups (maybe who could view the presentation after the live event).