



TECHNICAL TEXTILES AND
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Membership of TTNA – Benefit Statement

The TTNA was incorporated in 2000 to provide a forum for the advancement of the technical and nonwoven textiles (TTN) industry, through which common interests are represented to government bodies and to act as a conduit for information on global TTN issues.

The association encourages an internationally competitive and innovative industry and fosters the growth of an appropriately skilled and sustainable workforce through the provision of appropriate training, and inspirational speakers at briefings and the annual conference. (See past conferences at <http://www.ttna.com.au/conference.htm> and briefings/events at <http://www.ttna.com.au/events.htm>)

The Board of the TTNA is made up of a mixture of industry as well as R&D personnel (see <http://www.ttna.com.au/aboutus.htm>). The TTNA has five active committees to ensure the interests of the members are met and carried out professionally: Events, Education, Marketing, Standards and Policy.

The TTNA has appointed an Advocacy Officer to coordinate its policy agenda leading up to the 2007 federal election to lobby for issues of importance to the TTNA membership. The officer is former Chairman, Wes Taylor. Policy platforms include the Strategic Investment Program (SIP), trade and anti dumping.

Being a member of the TTNA provides you and your colleagues opportunities to discuss issues affecting your industry with your peers and have those issues further addressed.

The TTNA

- **identifies, discusses and responds** to members' issues and needs;
- **advocates the common interests** of the industry;
- **generates and disseminates** relevant industry information;
- **fosters the development and exchange** of technical information;
- **promotes the significance** of the technical textiles and nonwoven sector within wider industry;
- **represents members' interests** when dealing directly with government bodies

Benefits of Membership include

- **Networking** with peers and competitors – comparing notes and working together to improve each others' business interests
- **Meeting** government personnel who can have an influence on the industry on a one-on-one basis
- **Attending** members' briefings where networking with industry and government personnel can lead to better business prospects
- **Keeping abreast** of the latest skills with relevant training
- **Funding** received as an association from the International Fibre Centre and State and Federal governments for education/training courses, international missions and exhibitions
- **Directing the industry** – Members of the TTNA have a say in how the association is run. All members are eligible for nomination to the Board and any of the committees under the Board's direction. Active members have the opportunity to steer the association in the direction which they think is best.