Production Figures

- Nonwovens production in Greater Europe increased in volume by 3.3% to reach 2,395,098 tonnes in 2016.
- This compares with growth rates in the two previous growths of 3.7% in 2015 and 5.2% in 2014, on a comparable basis.
- The estimated total turnover of the European nonwoven roll goods industry in 2016 is around 7,583 million €.
Markets

In 2016, the main market segments in terms of volume for nonwovens roll goods, were

- Hygiene (30.9%)
- Wipes for personal care (12.4%)
- Construction (9.5%)
- Civil engineering (6.3%)
- Automotive (5.9%)
- Upholstery/household (3.7%)
- Filtration (3.6%)
Trade

- Total nonwoven exports from the EU28 to the rest of the world amounted to 372,037 tonnes in 2016 (as compared to 371,108 tonnes in 2015)
- This represented value of almost 1,748 million € (a +1.8% increase in value)

Employment

- Our estimate based on answers from many member companies indicates that the total figure of people employed for nonwoven production in Europe increased in 2016 by around 6.0% and is estimated now at nearly 27,000 people.

The full report and detailed data for the "2017 European Nonwovens Production and Deliveries" are available for member's only as part of their membership benefits. For further information, please contact Jacques Prigneaux, Market Analysis and Economic Affairs Director (jacques.prigneaux@edana.org)