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Sustainable materials of the future: Online event with Healthy Materials Lab EU on 20 May 2026

Frankfurt am Main, April 2026. How can we design materials that benefit both people and the environment alike? What role will bio-based, non-toxic materials play in the future of consumer goods and interior design? These questions will be explored at the upcoming Ambiente online event on 20 May 2026 from 2.00 to 3.00 p.m. (CET).



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**ONLINE EVENT
AT THE TABLE
WITH NATURE**

20.5.2026
2.00 to 3.00 p.m. CET

Leila D. Behjat & Alison Mears
Co-Founders Healthy Materials Lab EU

The new online event on material health features expert speakers from architecture and international design practice. Image: © Messe Frankfurt

The focus is on material health – an approach that brings together design, research and sustainable production. In the online event *At the Table with Nature*, experts Leila Behjat and Alison Mears will demonstrate how healthy and sustainable materials are being developed today. The event is aimed particularly at interior designers, designers, product developers, and decision-makers from industry and retail with a strong focus on sustainable materials and future-forward design. Leila Behjat, co-founder of Healthy Materials Lab EU, will highlight the connection between research, sensory experience and indigenous knowledge, illustrating how material health can be rethought. Alison Mears, Associate Professor at Parsons School of Design in New York City and also co-founder of Healthy Materials Lab, will complement this with perspectives from architecture and international design practice.

The online event is part of the Digital Academy of the consumer goods fairs. With this format, Messe Frankfurt provides a platform for industry knowledge, inspiration and international exchange – free of charge and digital.

Date: Wednesday, 20 May 2026, 2.00 – 3.00 p.m. CET

Language: English/German

Free registration at: [Webinar: At The Table With Nature](#)

Missed the session? The recording will be available in the [media library](#) from **27 May**.

With its leading international trade fairs, Ambiente brings together key players from across the consumer goods industry, driving sustainable innovation and future-forward design. Especially in today's challenging market environment, topics such as material health, resource conservation, and responsible design are gaining increasing importance.

Next trade fair dates

Ambiente, Christmasworld and Creativeworld will take place at the end of January 2027 at the Frankfurt exhibition grounds. The Compass Talks will once again kick off the events on the day before, 28 January 2027.

Ambiente/Christmasworld:	29 January to 2 February 2027
Creativeworld:	29 January to 1 February 2027

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