



## Save the Future

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### Save the Ocean

For the international knitwear design competition “Feel the Yarn” at the Pitti Imagine Filati in Florence, Katerina Amprazi developed two creative outfits on the subject hybridization.

As one of 26 students from 14 different universities, Katerina focused on the problem of the pollution of the oceans. About 90% of Earth’s habitat is covered with water and the pollution is getting worse. Corals die and lose their variety of colors, animals get trapped in old plastic bags and if we don’t care plastic will prevail.

To show these consequences, old plastic bags and bottle caps were integrated into delicate net structures. In order to create a woman and a men outfit, two knit couture outfits were designed. In addition to the competition theme “hybridization”, mutated creatures, half fish and half human were created. The hybridization reference can also be found in the use of different manufacturing processes. Knit and crochet techniques were combined to create a coral and maritime inspired look. Rough knit structures meet light net structures.

We need to rethink our plastic consumer behaviour. We have to save the ocean!



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