

SEAL BAN TEMPORARILY SUSPENDED

This month, the European General Court ruled that the ban on the trade in seal products be temporarily suspended. The suspension - which is for an unknown period at this stage - follows a broader lawsuit brought against the EU earlier this year by Inuit and non-Inuit applicants from Canada, Greenland and Norway, who are seeking annulment of the trade ban. This reprieve, which appears to concern only the applicants in the case, took place one day before the ban was set to come into force.

To read more on this issue, visit IFTF.com for the press release issued by the IFTF or alternatively visit iftfblog.com.



A PERSONAL INSIGHT INTO THE FUR TRADE

As part of IFTF's continued work to raise the profile of the fur trade IFTF Chairman Andreas Lenhart gave his personal view of the past 40 years of the fur trade in a recent interview. To read the article entitled, "A life in the fur trade-an insiders perspective", [click here](#).



HAUTE COUTURE – FOUR MAJOR THEMES IDENTIFIED BY EVANS MCDANIEL

IFTF Trend consultants, Evans McDaniel, identified four major themes for fur fashion running through the Haute Couture shows: New Volume, Asymmetry, Bejewelled and Sheers with Fur. Their report also identified the move towards the new Couture customer and new breed of Couture designers who are moving away from traditional design methods. To read the report in full and view the photo pack images [click here](#).

