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**Presseinformation**

## **Two new halls for 2018**

### **New exhibition layout for IFAT**

- **New halls, C5 and C6, come into service**
- **IFAT 2018 now to cover 260,000 sqm**
- **Another conceptual sponsor joins: DVGW (German Technical and Scientific Association for Gas and Water)**

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After two years of building work, the number of exhibition halls available at Messe München will rise to eighteen, providing a total of 200,000 square meters of exhibition space. The two newly built halls—C5 and C6—will be used by exhibitors for the first time at the next IFAT, which takes place between May 14 to 18, 2018. The total area covered by IFAT 2018, including the outdoor exhibition site, will thus expand to 260,000 square meters.

#### **New exhibition layout**

As part of this expansion, changes are being made to the layout of the exhibition: The section on water and sewage will occupy the halls at the western end and the open-air site to the north of the C halls; the section on recycling and municipal technologies will be located in the halls at the eastern end and on the adjacent open-air site, at F7 and F8. Stefan Rummel, Managing Director of Messe München, is confident that “with this clear arrangement according to themes, visitors will find their way around easily and more quickly. Our customers will therefore be able to reach all the key companies of interest to them more effectively. In addition we now again have the capability of expanding further and can offer more companies the opportunity of taking part in IFAT.”

#### **DVGW becomes another conceptual partner of IFAT**

IFAT 2018 also welcomes an additional conceptual partner for the show, in particular for the section on water supply and drinking water: the DVGW

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(*Deutscher Verein des Gas- und Wasserfaches e.V.*), which is the German Technical and Scientific Association for Gas and Water. “I am confident,” said Rummel, “that this addition will help us develop a stronger concept for this area of the show also.”

### **Exhibition spectrum**

In the wake of these new developments, the breakdown of the exhibition sections at the World’s Leading Trade Fair for Water, Sewage, Waste and Raw Materials Management has also been revised and adapted. A full listing of all the focal areas can be found on the show’s website at: [www.ifat.de/exhibition-sectors](http://www.ifat.de/exhibition-sectors)

**Further information:** [www.ifat.de](http://www.ifat.de)

### **IFAT**

IFAT is the world’s leading trade event for environmental technology. A total of 3,097 exhibitors from 59 countries, and 136,885 visitors from 168 countries took part in the last event. IFAT is held every two years; the next edition takes place from May 14 to 18, 2018 in Munich.

### **IFAT worldwide**

Messe München’s competence in organizing environmental-technology events is demonstrated not only in the world’s leading trade fair for the sector, IFAT, but also in a range of other international trade exhibitions around the world. The spectrum encompasses IFAT Africa in Johannesburg, IFAT Eurasia in Istanbul, IFAT India in Mumbai, and IE expo in Shanghai. With IE expo Guangzhou there is now also a regional edition of the trade fair, focusing on the market in South China.

### **Messe München**

Messe München is one of the world’s leading trade-show companies. It organizes some 40 trade shows for capital and consumer goods and key high-tech industries in Munich and abroad. Each year more than 30,000 exhibitors and some two million visitors take part in events held at the Messe München trade-fair center, the ICM – Internationales Congress Center München and the MOC Veranstaltungszentrum München. In addition, Messe München organizes trade shows in China, India, Turkey, South Africa and Russia. Messe München has a global business presence with affiliates in Europe, Asia and Africa and more than 60 foreign representatives serving more than 100 countries.