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Press Release

Trending: environmental technologies

IFAT 2022: exhibitor interest at pre-COVID level

- World's largest environmental technology trade fair from May 30 to June 3, 2022
- High number of exhibitor registrations reflects market trend
- Sophisticated protection and hygiene concept

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Despite the COVID-19 pandemic, climate and environmental protection are once again pushing their way to the top of the social discussion agenda.

The global environmental sector is forecast to grow strongly over the coming years. IFAT reflects this trend with a high level of registrations from exhibitors around the world.

IFAT 2022 will be one of the first major trade shows to take place after the pandemic-related trade fair break—and “we are steering the right course to reaching IFAT’s pre-COVID-19 level,” explains Stefan Rummel, Managing Director of Messe München. “The current number of registrations is as high as in 2018. Exhibitors from all over the world finally want to present their technologies and solutions in Munich again. And we observe this interest across all exhibition sectors.” The world's leading trade fair for water, sewage, waste, and raw materials management thus reflects the trend: the global market for environmental technologies is predicted to grow by more than seven percent annually, in Germany by eight percent (GreenTech Atlas 2021/Federal Ministry for the Environment).

Promoting circular economy and climate resilience

IFAT has three focus areas. First: circular economy. The aim is to close raw material cycles in collaboration with the industry, ranging from product design and recycling to the use of recycled materials. Second: climate-resilient drinking

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water and wastewater systems. To be prepared for weather extremes, investments in the industry and in municipal structures are needed. Third: alternative drive systems in municipal technology, including hydrogen and electric mobility for municipal vehicles.

Exhibitors are looking forward to IFAT

Exhibitors are already intensively preparing for IFAT. REMONDIS Board Member Thomas Conzendorf explains: “The cancellation of the last edition of IFAT was bitter for the industry. Now we're excited to see this unique network back in full force.” Dr. Johannes Kirchhoff, Managing Partner, FAUN Umwelttechnik, explains: “Climate and environmental protection are high on the global agenda—and IFAT offers policymakers and the environmental sector the best platform for international exchange.” It's all about “conserving finite resources,” says Rainer Köhler, CEO of HUBER: “IFAT highlights trends and innovations—accelerating sustainable development.”

Digital access to the trade show network

IFAT 2022 will be a hybrid event—digital offerings will complement the exhibition events in Munich, so that anyone interested can benefit from the IFAT network, even those not able to travel there. Conference highlights will be available to be enjoyed online, products and innovations will be presented both on-site and digitally, and participants from all over the world will be able to network online.

Protection and hygiene concept

The sophisticated protection and hygiene concept applying to trade fairs is continuously adapted to the current situation together with the responsible authorities and is tailored to IFAT. More information: <https://messe-muenchen.de/en/company/responsibilities-csr/health-and-safety-concept/>

For more information about IFAT, please visit www.ifat.de



IFAT has registered a number of exhibitors that is similar to the 2018 edition.

About IFAT

IFAT is the world's largest and leading environmental technology trade fair. Every two years, the world-leading trade show presents solutions for water, sewage, waste and raw materials management as well as solutions to make maximum use of resources and to close raw material cycles. The 2018 edition attracted 3,305 exhibitors from 58 countries and 142,472 trade visitors from 162 nations. The event occupied a completely booked space of 260,000 square meters, divided among 18 halls and an outdoor area. The next IFAT will be held at the exhibition center in Munich from May 30 to June 3, 2022.

IFAT worldwide

Messe München not only demonstrates its considerable expertise in organizing environmental technology trade shows with the world's leading trade fair IFAT. Other international events include IE expo China in Shanghai, IE expo Chengdu in Chengdu, IE expo Guangzhou in Guangzhou, IFAT Africa in Johannesburg, IFAT Eurasia in Istanbul, IFAT India in Mumbai as well as IFAT Delhi in New Delhi. Together, the eight IFAT events form the world's leading network for environmental technologies.

Messe München

Messe München is one of the world's leading networking platforms. In a reflection of the slogan "Connecting Global Competence", Messe München serves as a global networking platform and brings together decision makers from all parts of the world. Messe München's portfolio comprises more than 50 trade fairs for capital and consumer goods as well as new technologies that focus on the latest social issues. These trade fairs include the world-leading trade fairs bauma, BAU, IFAT and ISPO Munich. The roughly 200 events organized by Messe München each year attract about 50,000 exhibitors and 3 million visitors. Messe München has one of the most modern exhibition grounds in the world and with its four locations in Riem, the ICM – Internationales Congress Center München, the MOC Veranstaltungszentrum München, and the Conference Center Nord, it is able to fulfill all its customers' requirements individually. Messe München is very successful in its domestic market in Munich as well as in other countries. It is active in all important growth markets: China, India, South Africa, Brazil, Russia and Turkey. Overall, Messe München, with its network of associated companies and foreign agencies, is present in more than 100 countries.