## Resounding response for IMTEX 2017 and Tooltech 2017

IMTEX 2017 and Tooltech 2017, one of India's flagship trade exhibition was held at Bengaluru from January 26, 2017 to February 1, 2017.

An initiative of the Indian Machine Tools Manufacturers' Association (IMTMA), IMTEX is South and South East Asia's apex exhibition, showcasing the latest trends as well as technological refinements from India and other global players. The mega event attracts visitors from a wide spectrum of manufacturing and ancillary industries including key decision and policy makers as well as industry captains, who are keen to source latest technologies and manufacturing solutions for their product lines.

IMTEX 2017 and Tooltech 2017 was held at IMTMA's premises, Bangalore International Exhibition Centre (BIEC). To commemorate the occasion of BIEC's completion of 10 years, a new section, Hall 4, was inaugurated, as part of the exhibition.

Covering an area of close to 66,000 sqm., IMTEX 2017 and Tooltech 2017 saw over one lakh visitors, and 1100 exhibitors, from 22 countries including Germany, China, Czech Republic, Italy, Spain, Taiwan and the United States.

Innovation was the order of the day with hybrid machines, 3D printing, Industrie 4.0, and other high-end technologies being up for display and demonstration to give visitors a glimpse into what a futuristic outlook to machine tools entails.



Technology on display at IMTEX 2017 and Tooltech 2017













Glimpses of some exhibitors at IMTEX 2017 and Tooltech 2017

The Indo-German Chamber of Commerce (IGCC) organized the German Pavilion, supported by German Machine Tool Builders' Association (VDW), at IMTEX 2017 and Tooltech 2017. It was one of the biggest country pavilions, with three state pavilions as part of it. Covering an area of over 3000 sqm., the German Pavilion also hosted the pavilions

for the states of Hessen, Baden-Württemberg and Bayern, of which Baden-Württemberg had the biggest one.



Overview of the German Pavilion at IMTEX 2017 and Tooltech 2017



Baden-Württemberg pavilion at IMTEX 2017 and Tooltech 2017



Pavilion for the State of Bavaria, at IMTEX 2017 and Tooltech 2017



Hessen state pavilion at IMTEX 2017 and Tooltech 2017

IMTEX 2017 and Tooltech 2017 was also attended by a high profile German delegation of over 100 members, from Baden-Württemberg, led by Winfried Kretschmann, Minister President of the State of Baden-Württemberg.

Bernhard Steinrücke, Director General, IGCC, held a briefing for the German companies and gave them a perspective on the capabilities, opportunities and avenues for collaboration in India.



Bernhard Steinrücke, Director General, IGCC, conducts a briefing for German companies

In addition, IMTEX 2017 and Tooltech 2017 also had workshops, seminars for knowledge sharing and a special initiative called 'Connect', which gave students a chance to get a feel of real world business operations and solutions.



Bernhard Steinrücke, Director General, IGCC, greets visitors at the IGCC stand

Business owners, key decision makers, po makers, and government stakeholders w well-represented at the event, mak it a valuable networking and interact platform, and ensuring that IMTEX 2017 a Tooltech 2017 was a huge success.



Knowledge and information exchange at IMTEX 20 and Tooltech 2017

