

FILTECH 2009

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The success of FILTECH continues - 40% increase in exhibitors and 25% more visitors

FILTECH 2009 from 13 - 15 OCTOBER 2009 turned out to be very successful.

On 5200 square metres of exhibition space, 154 exhibitors provided a representative survey of global developments and new innovations for methods involving classical mechanical fluid separation, gas-solid separation, and membrane separation methods. FILTECH spans processing technology for crude minerals, biotechnology, pharmaceuticals, chemicals, environmental technology, and water purification. The primary focus is on material, energy, and resource efficiency.

With 2770 participants from 74 countries, the event succeeded in attracting 25% more visitors. 56% of the visiting professionals came from abroad (Western Europe 30%, Eastern Europe 12%, Asia 8%, North/South America 5%).

Exhibitors were also very pleased with the outcome. 74% of them rate the professional success at FILTECH as excellent/very good. 86% found the professional qualification of visitors to be excellent/very good. Expectations for follow up business after the trade are also equally positive, which 75% of exhibitors rated as excellent / good.

"This year's event showed that FILTECH has established itself worldwide as a leading international trade fair. The majority of exhibitors confirmed that they succeeded not only in making new contacts, but also concluding new contracts. Expectations for follow up business are also exceedingly positive. We are therefore expecting considerable growth for FILTECH 2011" explains Suzanne Abetz, managing director of Filtech Exhibitions.

The four-part FILTECH congress provided a representative survey of the latest research findings, global developments, and new solutions to problems relating to methods for classical mechanical liquid separation, gas-solid separation, and membrane separation methods. In special plenary and survey lectures, internationally recognised experts discussed strategies for solving solid/liquid separation problems, the structural analysis of porous systems, advances in the characterisation of membrane materials, state-of-the-art numerical methods for simulating separation processes, diesel particle filter separation in commercial vehicles, and the state-of-the-art developments of membrane bioreactors in wastewater treatment. In general, a sustained trend towards improved process efficiency e.g. through the use of nanofiber webs for gas scrubbing or microporous filter media for mechanical liquid separation, for saving energy, and for further process automation can be observed. Considerable advances occurred in the area of measurement technology. An international scientific committee was in charge of the congress - chaired by Dr. Harald Anlauf, KIT Karlsruhe Institute of Technology and Prof. Dr. Eberhard Schmidt, University of Wuppertal.

FILTECH 2011 will be held from 22 - 24 March in Wiesbaden.

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