

# COMMUNIQUÉ



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## A Balancing Act in Times of Uncertainties

Extraordinary times need extraordinary measures and there's no doubt about it given the current situation that we are in with the outbreak of COVID - 19. Corona Virus presents fresh challenges to the economy and is causing disruptive impact on both demand as well as supply chain of industries across various sectors. With widespread fear gripping people and confidence level of consumers dropping significantly it is believed that the uncertainties could pave way to economic downturn. However, we see this as a cyclical correction and industry bodies are closely working with the government to minimize the impact of this outbreak in the long-term. We stand with the government's decision in cracking down on coronavirus and lending support to stakeholders from the exhibition industry.

## V. Anbu is UFI President for 2020-2021



At the 86<sup>th</sup> UFI Congress, V. Anbu, Director General & CEO of Indian Machine Tool Manufacturers' Association (IMTMA) and BIEC took over as the Incoming President of UFI for 2019 - 2020. Earlier last year the UFI board of directors had elected V. Anbu as its President for 2020-2021. The decision was taken at the board meeting, which marked the start of the annual UFI European Conference in Birmingham (UK). V. Anbu has been active in UFI for many years, supporting its mission and driving developments. He has been serving on the UFI Board of Directors since 2011 and was further appointed to the UFI Executive Committee in 2017. Anbu is also the first UFI president from India in the history of the association.

## Balasubramanian is IEIA President



Balasubramanian Pillai, Executive Director & COO, IMTMA & BIEC was elected as the President of IEIA at the 13th Annual General Meeting of IEIA held in Mumbai on 16 December 2019. Balasubramanian has been active in IEIA for many years now, supporting its mission and driving developments. He has been serving as an Executive Committee member since 2015.

## Events Organized



### ACETECH 2019

**Date:**  
18 - 20 October 2019

**Organizer:**  
Economic Times, ABEC

**Area:** 22,000 Sq. mts.

**Exhibitors:** 500+

**Visitors:** 30,000

The Economic Times ACETECH is a leading trade fair in Asia for architecture, building materials, innovation and design and is only a third-of-its-kind in the world. This unique forum offers opportunities to not just exhibit but also to create a long-lasting impression on the decision makers of the architecture, building materials, innovation and design industries. ACETECH 2019 witnessed participation from the finest national and international brands, eminent architects, real estate developers, hoteliers, equity investors, builders, engineers and designers from India and the world.



### GHCI 19

**Date:**  
6 - 8 November 2019

**Organizer:**  
AnitaB.Org

**Area:** 25,000 Sq. mts

**Exhibitors:** 65

**Visitors:** 6,500

AnitaB.org India, organized a career fair at Asia's largest gathering of women technologists, the 2019 Grace Hopper Celebration India (GHCI 19) from 6 to 8 November 2019 at BIEC. Young and bright women professionals and students from IT and engineering interacted with leading recruiters from global technology brands. Padmasree Warrior, former CEO of NIO, US, Debjani Ghosh, President, NASSCOM and Beena Ammanath, Managing Director, Deloitte were keynote speakers. This was their tenth year celebration and third edition at BIEC.



### SAP TechED 2019

**Date:**  
13 - 15 November 2019

**Organizer:**  
SAP India

**Area:** 23,700 Sq. mts.

**Delegates:** 6500

SAP TechED 2019 offered a continuous 360-degree approach to learning for participants. It offered hundreds of sessions with SAP experts on cutting-edge technologies and SAP solutions for developers, architects, and other professionals.



### Water Expo

**Date:**  
20 - 22 November 2019

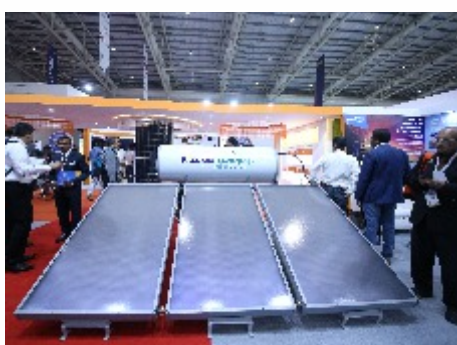
**Organizer:**  
Water Today

**Area:** 2,000 Sq. mts.

**Exhibitors:** 46

**Visitors:** 1,800

The largest premium annual water exhibition organized by Water Today at BIEC from 20th to 22nd November 2019 focused on how emerging technologies are transforming the water and waste water sector and how to scale up the adoption of clean water solutions.



### The Smarter E India

**Date:**  
27 - 29 November 2019

**Organizer:**  
Messe Muenchen India

**Area:** 8,000 Sq. mts.

**Exhibitors:** 130+

**Visitors:** 9,000

With three parallel energy exhibitions, Intersolar India, ees India and Power2Drive India, The Smarter E India is India's innovation hub for the new energy world. It presents cross-sector energy solutions and technologies and reflects the interaction of the solar, energy storage and electric mobility industry. The Smarter E India addressed all key areas along the value chain and brought together local experts and international stakeholders in the energy future.



**EXCON**  
**Date:**  
 10 - 14 December 2019  
**Organizer:**  
 Confederation of Indian Industry  
**Area:** 54,000 Sq. mts.  
**Exhibitors:** 1,200+  
**Visitors:** 40,000

The 10th edition of South Asia's largest construction equipment exhibition in South Asia was organized by CII at BIEC from 10 to 14 December 2019. Shri Nitin Jairam Gadkari, Minister for Road, Transport & Highways, and MSMEs delivered the inaugural address and said that construction equipment industry can expect a 40% increase in sales in the near future. Shri B.S. Yediyurappa, Chief Minister, Karnataka participating as the Guest of Honour said that Karnataka is an emerging hub for construction equipment, component outsourcing base and design base. Azim Premji, Founder-Chairman, Wipro and Vikram Kirloskar, President, CII were speakers at the inauguration.



**TrailheadX India 2019**  
**Date:**  
 19 - 20 December 2019  
**Organizer:**  
 Salesforce  
**Area:** 10,800 Sq. mts.  
**Delegates:** 2,500

The premier TrailheadX India 2019, the first-ever sales force developer conference in India! The event consisted of two incredible days of learning, connecting, inspiring keynotes, engaging demos, hands-on-activities, and more.



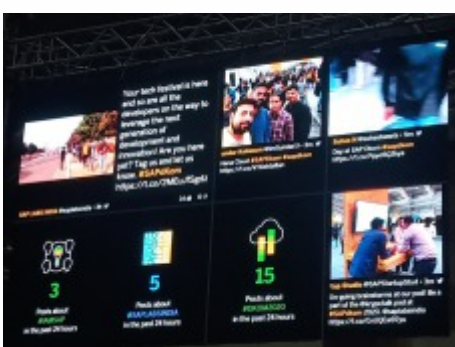
**IMTEX FORMING & Tooltech 2020**  
**Date:**  
 23 - 28 January 2020  
**Organizer:**  
 Indian Machine Tool Manufacturers' Association  
**Area:** 33,000 Sq. mts.  
**Exhibitors:** 605  
**Visitors:** 47,944

The 6th edition of Asia's largest exhibition on metal forming, 'IMTEX FORMING 2020 & Tooltech 2020', organized by Indian Machine Tool Manufacturers' Association (IMTMA) at Bangalore International Exhibition Centre (BIEC), Bengaluru, from 23rd to 28th January 2020, concluded on an encouraging note. This was the largest IMTEX FORMING exhibition. IMTEX FORMING 2020 & Tooltech 2020 has opened the doors for manufacturing industries to embrace new age technologies and become competitive at the global level.



**STONA 2020**  
**Date:**  
 6 - 9 February 2020  
**Organizer:**  
 Federation of Indian Granite & Stone Industry (FIGSI)  
**Area:** 40,000 Sq. mts.  
**Exhibitors:** 500  
**Visitors:** 25,000

The 14th international granite and stone fair, 'STONA 2020' was held at BIEC, Bengaluru. The exhibition showcased the unique range of the country's colourful, eye-catching natural stones and provided a platform for exhibitors to demonstrate their capabilities, capacity as well as most modern and latest techniques in the craft of stone working. STONA 2020 furthered the growth opportunity with higher visibility.



**SAP d-kom**  
**Date:**  
 14 February 2020  
**Organizer:**  
 SAP  
**Area:** 12,000 Sq. mts.  
**Exhibitors:** 46  
**Visitors:** 7,500

SAP organized a development kick-off meeting (d-kom) at BIEC where the management of SAP addressed their own developers. The event provided a platform for SAP mentors to see how SAP addresses its internal developers. The event also provided an insight on how SAP fared in the past periods and where it should focus moving forward. SAP was organizing d-kom for the second time in a row at BIEC.



### MattresTech Expo

**Date:**  
27 February -  
1 March 2020

**Organizer:**  
Nurnberg Messe and  
Unitech Exhibitions

**Area:** 35,00 Sq. mts.

**Exhibitors:** 600

**Visitors:** 5,000

MattresTech Expo is the only dedicated exhibition in India for mattress and upholstery production technology, machinery and supplies. Nurnberg Messe acquired the show from Unitech Exhibitions, India. The show was previously held in Chennai Trade Centre. For the first time ever, IndiaWood featured Nurnberg Messe's latest edition, the India MattresTech and Upholstery Supplies Expo, and was hosted in Hall 1 at Bangalore International Exhibition Centre.



### IndiaWood 2020

**Date:**  
27 February -  
2 March 2020

**Organizer:**  
Nurnberg Messe

**Area:** 53,000 Sq. mts.

**Exhibitors:** 600

**Visitors:** 50,000

The 11<sup>th</sup> edition of IndiaWood organized at Bangalore International Exhibition Centre was the region's biggest knowledge-sharing show for furniture manufacturing machinery, raw materials, panels, hardware components and accessories. The 5-day mega show focused on carpentry, skilling, innovation, automation and digitalisation, with the aim of driving Indian furniture manufacturing and woodworking industry, in sync, with the Government of India's 'Make in India' vision. The event also featured skill development programmes by the Furniture and Fittings Skill Council of India.

## Upcoming Events

SMExpo  
Roof India ITEI 2020

World of Manufacturing  
OSH South India

Safe South India  
Bus World

*Some events have been postponed due to the outbreak of Corona Virus. The new dates for the shows will be announced soon.*



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