



IFAT 2008 Grows and Grows

In 2005 the event attracted a new record number of participants with 2,223 exhibitors from 36 countries and 109,000 trade visitors from 166 nations. IFAT 2008, which takes place in Munich from 5 to 9 May 2008, offers an attractive exhibition programme: innovative solutions and state-of-the-art technology for practical, economical operations, a broad range of professional services in the area of water, sewage and refuse management and numerous attractive information events.



At IFAT, the 15th International Trade Fair for Water – Sewage – Refuse – Recycling, visitors can look forward to an impressive range of innovative solutions and new technology for implementing practical, cost-efficient solutions, plus a broad spectrum of services for the sector.

IFAT will be even bigger in 2008 than at the last event in 2005. In 2008, the exhibition space is expanding to 192,000 square metres, which is 22,000 square metres more than at IFAT 2005. This represents an increase of 13 percent.

Record total of over 190,000 m² of exhibition space, indoors and outdoors

International exhibitors in particular book more space

An even bigger rise has been noted in the space booked by international exhibitors. This has risen by 18 percent.

With the expansion of the theme of energy generation from waste products, the subject of biogas will move more into the spotlight. The fair is thus responding to current trends in the market and underlining its role as a leading international event for the sector.

Attractions at IFAT 2008 are completed with a programme of trade conferences, symposia and

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forums exploring new directions for the future and events focusing on flood protection and disaster prevention and control. In the forums exhibitors and associations will be putting on lectures and panel discussions on current product developments, trends and market analyses. These events are an excellent opportunity for gathering new ideas, updating knowledge and forging new business contacts.

Coastal protection and flood control is appearing for the first time at IFAT, its inclusion prompted by the changing climate and the problems associated with this. IFAT 2008 will of course also be addressing the whole issue of water, which is of special importance in the United Nations' 'Water Decade'.

The organisers are aiming to further increase the international scope of the fair for 2008 and tap into new potential in the growing markets. The focus regions are Romania, Bulgaria, Croatia and the Ukraine (East and Central Europe) plus Turkey, USA, Canada and India.