## **Press Release**

## IREE 2019, the Largest Ever with Participation of 500 Companies from 20 Countries

The 13th Edition of IREE 2019 – International Railway Equipment Exhibition - jointly presented by the Confederation of Indian Industry (CII) and Indian Railways, is scheduled from 22nd to 24th October, 2019 at Aero City, New Delhi, India. IREE is Asia's Premier Global Event for the Rail Transportation sector.

Organized by CII, in association with Ministry of Railways, Government of India, since its inception in 1990, the current edition of IREE 2019 attracted participation of around 500 companies (with around 50 new entrants) from 20 countries, showcasing the best available technologies for India's future requirements. IREE 2019 is the Largest Rail Transportation Exhibition and Conference in this part of the world, and the second largest complete event for the rail transportation sector in the world, covering 25000 square meters of area.

The event is being held at an opportune time, coinciding with the plans of Ministry of Railways, Government of India, to upgrade, and modernize its rail network into a world class system in India, along with the new plans for installing high speed rail and other projects in the coming years. This will open large business avenues for the Rail Transportation Industry in India and overseas to work with Indian Railways for executing its plans on a continuous basis.

Meet Indian Railways at IREE - IR puts up the largest ever Pavilion (comprising of Production Units, Regional & Zonal Railways, Indian Railway PSUs and the National Railway Museum), showcasing the strength and future requirements of IR. This provides the best opportunity for the Industry to meet and interact with select people from Indian Railways and its Technical and R&D segments, to understand its future requirements and modalities of becoming vendors / suppliers to Indian Railways.

IREE provides the Best Platform for this sector for exploring future business opportunities by networking with stakeholders from Indian Railways, the Metro & Light Rail Sector, and the Global Business Community, that are present under one roof during the three days event.

**Germany is the Focus Country** at IREE 2019 and are showcasing the strength and capabilities of Germany, with latest products and technologies for the Indian Railways and Metro sector, in an exclusive pavilion.

**Opportunities for Indian MSMEs** – the large companies from Japan, China, Europe, etc. that are participating at IREE and looking at establishing operations in India, would open avenues for Indian MSME sector to become vendors and suppliers to these companies. IREE is the right forum to meet and discuss these possibilities.

**Special Focus** – This edition of IREE has given special focus for Metro + Light Rail; Infrastructure; and Rail Furnishing. Large number of companies from these sectors are

presenting the latest offerings for India at IREE 2019.

International Rail Conference (IRC 2019), a regular feature at IREE, attracts participation of key stakeholders from Industry & Government, and experts of Indian Railways and global Industry, as speakers. IRC is attended by around 400 delegates over two days. This is the ideal forum to get updated and network with experts on latest technologies and product developments. IRC 2019, scheduled on 22nd and 23rd October, 2019, concurrently with the IREE exhibition, has the theme "Indian Railway - Riding High the Technology Wave" and will cover the following subjects:

Railways-Gateway to Employment (CEO's Panel)

Rail Infrastructure Creation & Upgradation

**Global Trends in Technology** 

Make-In-India through Industry 4.0 - Advanced Rail Manufacturing in India

**Energy Efficiency & Environment** 

**Logistics- Enhancing Freight Share** 

Realizing Export Potential- Make in India for the World

**The B2B Platform of IREE** – to save time and to make the best out of the presence and participation at IREE for all stakeholders, CII has created a B2B Platform where business meetings can be scheduled in advance and enjoy the specially created B2B Lounge for conducting formal meetings during IREE 2019.

While Country Pavilions from Japan, China, Russia, Germany, etc. is showcasing latest products and technologies, Ministerial and Business delegations from countries like, Ghana, Bangladesh, Myanmar, Mauritius, Japan, Russia, Czech Republic, Switzerland, China, Korea, USA, etc. are scheduled to visit IREE 2019.

Over 20000 delegates from India and overseas are expected to attend the three-day event from 22nd to 24th October 2019 in New Delhi, India.

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