

Press Release

Oerlikon Manmade Fibers Segment:

"Trade fairs in 2021 will probably have a more national character"

Remscheid, Germany, September 17, 2020 – The trade fair calendar for the textile machinery industry is already well filled for the coming year. Almost all trade fairs, events, conferences and meetings that could not be held online in 2020 have been moved to 2021. Now they are one date after the other. But in times of the corona pandemic this has its advantages.

The Manmade Fibers segment of the Swiss Oerlikon Group is currently resuming its concrete planning for the coming trade fair year. "In 2021, we are seeing above all trade fairs and events that will probably have a more national or regional rather than an international character," says André Wissenberg, Head of Marketing, Corporate Communications and Public Affairs. The accumulation of dates, especially in May and June 2021 with TECHTEXTIL in Frankfurt, Germany (May 4-7, 2021), DOMOTEX in Hanover, Germany (May 20-22, 2021), ITMA Asia, Shanghai, China (June 16-18, 2021), ACHEMA in Frankfurt, Germany (June 14-18, 2021) and ITM in Istanbul, Turkey (June 22-26, 2021) also offers the segment advantages during the corona pandemic, which will continue next year: "We can present almost all innovations of our product lines to a broad public in the regional markets in a short, concentrated period of time," Wissenberg explains.

"DOMOTEX Asia and CINTe in Shanghai at the beginning of September proved that trade fairs and events are already possible again, at least in some countries," Wissenberg continues. "This gives us all justified hope that we will be able to stage upcoming events again next year to a certain extent. We want to offer our customers and sales staff 'real' communication platforms again", he says.

In addition to the leading trade fairs in early summer 2021 and other regional fairs, the Manmade Fibers segment is also planning to participate in INDEX in Geneva, Switzerland (September 7-10, 2021) and SHANGHAITEX in China (November 23-26, 2021) as well as ITME in New Delhi, India (December 8-13, 2021). All trade fair participations of the Manmade Fibers segment are available on the Oerlikon website: <https://www.oerlikon.com/manmade-fibers/en/about-us/events/>

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Caption: Reminiscences of 'good old times' – Oerlikon Manmade Fibers Segment plans to fully resume trade show participation in 2021.

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About Oerlikon

Oerlikon (SIX: OERL) develops modern materials, systems and surface technologies and provides specialized services aimed at securing high-performance products and systems with long lifespans for customers. Supported by its technological core competencies and its strong financial footing, the corporation continues its medium-term growth plan by implementing three strategic factors: focusing on attractive growth markets, ensuring structural growth and expanding through targeted M&A activities. Oerlikon is a globally-leading technology and engineering corporation, operating its business in two segments (Surface Solutions and Manmade Fibers) and employing around 11,100 members of staff at 182 sites in 37 countries worldwide. In 2019, Oerlikon generated sales of CHF 2.6 billion and invested more than CHF 120 million in research & development.

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About the Oerlikon Manmade Fibers segment

With its Oerlikon Barmag, Oerlikon Neumag and Oerlikon Nonwoven brands, the Oerlikon Manmade Fibers segment is one of the leading providers of manmade fiber filament spinning systems, texturing machines, BCF systems, staple fiber systems and solutions for the production of nonwovens and – as a service provider – offers engineering solutions for the entire textile value added chain.

As a future-oriented company, the research and development at this division of the Oerlikon Group is driven by energy-efficiency and sustainable technologies (e-save). With its range of polycondensation and extrusion systems and their key components, the company caters to the entire manufacturing process – from the monomer all the way through to the textured yarn. The product portfolio is rounded off with automation and Industrie 4.0 solutions.

The primary markets for the product portfolio of Oerlikon Barmag are in Asia, especially in China, India and Turkey, and – for those of Oerlikon Neumag and Oerlikon Nonwoven – in the USA, Asia, Turkey



and Europe. Worldwide, the segment – with just under 3,000 employees – has a presence in 120 countries with production, sales and distribution and service organizations. At the R&D centers in Remscheid, Neumünster (Germany) and Suzhou (China), highly-qualified engineers, technologists and technicians develop innovative and technologically-leading products for tomorrow's world.

For further information: www.oerlikon.com/manmade-fiber