

Positive signs for Italian machinery manufacturers at ITMA Barcelona

ITMA 2011 closed its doors with some impressive figures: in excess of 100,000 visitors hailing from 138 countries paid a visit to the over 1,350 exhibitors during the eight days of the trade fair. The trend was absolutely positive for Italian textile machinery producers and preparations are already under way for the upcoming edition of ITMA, to be held in 2015 in Milan.

Italy led the way, both in terms of the number of exhibiting companies (319), and for total visitors who streamed into the Catalan city (nearly 9,000, or 9% of the total number of visitors to the event). "These are very respectful figures, mirroring the healthy state of Italy's entire textile manufacturing sector," emphasizes Sandro Salmoiraghi, President of ACIMIT, the Italian Association of Textile Machinery Manufacturers. "Our manufacturers believed in ITMA as a must opportunity for the industry, and they were right."

Attilio Camozzi, President of Marzoli, says he is satisfied with the event's outcome. "At the fair we were able to finalize orders for 30 million euros. Argentina and India are the main export destinations for the machinery we've sold, but orders will



Sandro Salmoiraghi, President ACIMIT seated in Centre at ACIMIT Press conference at ITMA.

also be coming in from Turkey, Turkmenistan and Uzbekistan."

"Considering the current situation in the textile industry and the financial crisis, we're pleasantly surprised with these results," confirms **Tiberio Lonati, CEO of Lonati Group.** "This edition of ITMA has been especially satisfactory, both in terms of the significant level of attendance of customers from all over the world, and the interest shown for the latest innovations we presented. The positive atmosphere at the trade fair, which transpired into new orders, as well as the possibility of developing new projects and partnerships, allows us to now look to the future with renewed trust and optimism."

Michele Riva, Sales Director at We R Reggiani, also demonstrated his appreciation for the results at the trade fair. "ITMA 2011 provided us with an opportunity to present our entire group to the market (Reggiani Macchine - Jaeggli Meccanotessile - Mezzera - RPR - MTS). The contacts and orders we established, above all from Western markets, largely exceeded our expectations."

Satisfaction for the results obtained at the fair was generally shared by all Italian exhibitors, who recorded an impressive number of contacts from South America,



Mauro Badanelli and Dr. Federico Pellegata at ACIMIT stand - ITMA Barcelona.

India and Turkey. "The high number of Italian visitors confirms the healthy state of Italy's textile sector," adds Salmoiraghi, "and provides the groundwork for the next edition of ITMA, to be held in Milan from 12th to 19th November, 2015."

"We've already established contacts with the authorities in Milan and the event's primary stakeholders," concludes Acimit's president, "in an effort to possibly make of ITMA an event that is even more worthy of its name. We especially appreciated the visit to Barcelona of Franco D'Alfonso, the Councillor for Trade, Productive Activities, Tourism and Territorial Marketing for the City of Milan, whose presence bore witness to the commitment and attention Milan intends to reserve to ITMA 2015." ♦

Marzoli finalizes orders worth 30 million euros at ITMA Barcelona

The new Marzoli spinning frame MDS1 is the ideal machine for large production lots of quality yarns thanks to its new design, its exclusive fibre control system Arco Bridge, the patented spindles drive system with multiple tangential belts, with a number of spindles up to 1824. The Marzoli ring spinning frame can be equipped with several optional accessories that modify the drafting and can produce yarn with exclusive characteristics.

Some examples are: fancy yarns, where a controlled variation in the drafting process produces fancy yarn effects; compact yarn, where a slight suction tightens the fibre bundle and reduces hairiness, thereby increasing its strength; elastic or rigid core yarn, where a lycra or nylon core is placed inside cotton yarn.

Marzoli reported significant interest and the potential of this new spinning frame during ITMA in Barcellona. Marzoli

will showcase the most recent technological advances in the yarn and textile manufacturing.

- ❖ New opening line for up to 1,600 kg/hr production with the two new revolutionary cotton opening and cleaning machines, i.e. the double beater opener.
- ❖ B390L (with cage condenser B450L) and the blending opener B380L.
- ❖ New C701 high production card up to 250 Kg/hr.
- ❖ New DF1 e DFR1 draw frames running at 1100 mt/min.
- ❖ New LW3 lap winder at 200 mt/min.
- ❖ New CM7 comber at 600 nips/min.



- ❖ New FT6, FT7, FT6D, FT7D roving frame with the new concept spindle drive.
 - ❖ New MDS1 spinning frame up to 1,824 spindles.
- Marzoli showcased the complete evolution of its spinning line and discussed machinery performance, quality of sliver and yarn produced, savings in raw materials and energy savings. ♦