

## Press Release

# GIFA and METEC Southeast Asia inaugural editions move to 9 – 11 February 2022

**Singapore, 4 May 2020** - The first editions of GIFA and METEC Southeast Asia originally scheduled to be held from 22 to 24 September this year will be postponed to 9 – 11 February 2022.

GIFA and METEC Southeast Asia 2022 will be held alongside wire and Tube Southeast Asia, which have been held in Thailand since 1997. The synergies between the four trade fairs will continue to drive growth within Southeast Asia in a wide range of industries, from automotive, building and construction, and many others.

Powered by the 'The Bright World of Metal' portfolio of trade fairs under the Messe Düsseldorf group in Germany which include the long-established metal trade fair quartet of GIFA, METEC, THERMPROCESS, and NEWCAST, the two specialist trade fairs, GIFA and METEC, will serve the foundry and metallurgical sectors in the Southeast Asian region. The two trade fairs will be focused on a comprehensive range of products and technologies from additive manufacturing to casting machines for industries such as automotive, infrastructure, energy and gas, and to users from the metal and gas sectors.

Mr Gernot Ringling, Managing Director, Messe Düsseldorf Asia said, "The postponement of GIFA and METEC was made after much deliberation with our international industry partners and trade associations, and together with our representative office in Thailand who have been closely monitoring the pandemic developments in the country, we have made the decision to move the two trade fairs to 2022. Coupled with the ongoing travel restrictions and varying quarantine requirements for different countries, this decision was deemed necessary and in the best interest of international participants."

"The two trade fairs are expected to welcome participants – partners, exhibitors and visitors from around the world, and we believe that this decision will allow for optimum participation next year with the further easing of travel restrictions. We remain optimistic that with the global vaccine roll-out underway, we will soon be able to meet safely and effectively face-to-face in Bangkok next February." Mr Ringling added.

Ms Beatrice Ho, Project Director, Messe Düsseldorf Asia, added: "The safety and well-being of our participants are our top priority; and we will work together with the relevant government bodies and venue provider in Thailand to implement the relevant safe management measures on-site. We remain committed to meeting the business needs of our participants and we look forward to their continued support for the first edition of GIFA and METEC Southeast Asia next year."

The GIFA and METEC Southeast Asia team will reach out to all industry partners, confirmed exhibitors and participants regarding event logistics and planning. Participants may also contact [gifa@mda.com.sg](mailto:gifa@mda.com.sg) or [metec@mda.com.sg](mailto:metec@mda.com.sg) for immediate assistance.

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### **About GIFA Southeast Asia**

As the specialist trade fair for casting technologies and innovation – GIFA Southeast Asia – 1<sup>st</sup> International Foundry Trade Fair and Forum for Southeast Asia brings together a showcase in foundry systems, including casting machines and technologies, pouring equipment and more.

### **About METEC Southeast Asia**

METEC Southeast Asia 1<sup>st</sup> International Metallurgical Trade Fair and Forum for Southeast Asia is the region's niche trade fair focused on metallurgy, steel castings and steel products. Beyond a sourcing platform, METEC Southeast Asia will offer a high-quality programme focusing on a myriad of areas from metallurgical issues, trends in the steel industry, to innovations in the energy and resource efficiency fields.

### **About Messe Düsseldorf Asia**

Messe Düsseldorf Asia is a subsidiary of Messe Düsseldorf in Germany, one of the world's leading trade fair organisers responsible for organising more than 20 global No. 1 exhibitions held in Düsseldorf, Germany; across various sectors such as medical and healthcare, workplace safety, security and health, packaging, printing, plastics, rubber, wire and tube, and wine and spirits. With extensive expertise in organising trade fairs in Southeast Asia, Messe Düsseldorf Asia has developed a portfolio of well-established trade fairs in the region since 1995.

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### **About “The Bright World of Metals”**

The GIFA (International Foundry Trade Fair), METEC (International Metallurgical Trade Fair), THERMPROCESS (International Trade Fair and Symposium for Thermo Process Technology) and NEWCAST (International Trade Fair for Castings) are a set of four international technology trade fairs and will be held across 14 halls from 12 to 16 June 2023. It is expected that they will receive some 2,300 exhibitors and around 78,000 visitors. Casting products, foundry technology, metallurgy and thermo processing techniques will be shown to the world over the course of five days in the capital of the Rhine region. The trade fairs are accompanied by a high-quality program including seminars, international congresses and series of lectures.

For more information, visit [www.gifa.de](http://www.gifa.de), [www.metec.de](http://www.metec.de), [www.thermprocess.de](http://www.thermprocess.de) and [www.newcast.de](http://www.newcast.de) or [www.tbwom.com](http://www.tbwom.com).

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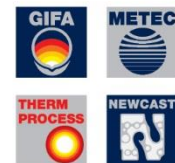
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