

Press release

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Achema in Frankfurt until at least 2027

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Messe Frankfurt and Dechema are extending their cooperation. The Frankfurt exhibition grounds will remain the venue for Achema, World Forum and Leading International Trade Fair for the Process Industry, until at least 2027.

As the organiser of Achema, Dechema Ausstellungs-GmbH has decided to continue the successful partnership with Messe Frankfurt, which has already existed for over eight decades. Achema has a three-year cycle. The event planned for 2021 had to be postponed due to the pandemic and will take place from 4 to 8 April 2022; the following events will be held in 2024 and 2027.

"Achema is one of the largest and most important guest events in our portfolio and a flagship for Frankfurt as a trade fair location. That is why we are very pleased about the long-term continuation of this partnership. Particularly in the current extraordinarily challenging times for the trade fair and event industry, we are sending a clear signal with this contract extension - a signal for the future of high-quality, international events and personal encounters", says Uwe Behm, Member of the Board of Management of Messe Frankfurt. Dr. Thomas Scheuring, Managing Director of Dechema Ausstellungs-GmbH, emphasised the optimal infrastructure that makes the Frankfurt trade fair venue the ideal venue for the process industry in the chemical, pharma and related industries: "The Frankfurt exhibition grounds with its state-of-the-art facilities and ideal location are a factor in Achema's success. We very much welcome the fact that we will be able to use this success factor in the future and continue our successful partnership."

Achema was initiated in 1920 and has been held at the Messe Frankfurt exhibition grounds since 1937 and is one of the most traditional and international guest events in Frankfurt. At the last edition of Achema in 2018, around 3,800 exhibitors from 55 countries presented products, processes and services. 144,628 participants from 150 countries travelled to the Main at that time.



Left to right: Uwe Behm, Member of the Board of Management of Messe Frankfurt, Michael Biwer, Vice President Guest Events Messe Frankfurt, Dr. Björn Matthes, Deputy Managing Director of Dechema Ausstellungs-GmbH, Dr. Thomas Scheuring, Managing Director of Dechema Ausstellungs-GmbH (Source: Messe Frankfurt / Jean-Luc Valentin).

Around 250 guest fairs per year - including, in addition to Achema, the Frankfurt Book Fair, Imex and CPhI Worldwide - are part of Messe Frankfurt's event portfolio. With its unmistakable architecture and the high functionality as well as the flexibility of all halls and conference facilities, Messe Frankfurt offers the ideal offers ideal conditions for events of very different formats. At the same time, Messe Frankfurt is a strong service partner, with individual consulting and services and one of the most modern infrastructures in the global trade fair landscape.

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Background information on Messe Frankfurt

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* preliminary figures 2020