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INMEX SMM India 2025:

Gateway to India's Maritime Future for Global Businesses

Hamburg, 13 March 2025 – INMEX SMM India 2025, South Asia's leading maritime trade fair and conference, will take place from 10 to 12 September 2025 at the Bombay Exhibition Centre, Mumbai. It offers international businesses a key platform to showcase innovations and explore new market opportunities in one of the world's most dynamic regions. With approximately 250 exhibitors from over 20 countries and more than 8,000 participants, the event will focus on topics such as port modernisation, ship technology, offshore development, as well as digital and sustainable shipping solutions. The registration deadline for the national pavilions of Germany, the Netherlands, Norway, and Greece is approaching soon.

India: A Key Market for Maritime Innovation

India is making significant investments in maritime infrastructure, green technologies, and digital shipping solutions. By 2030, the country aims to be among the top 10 global shipbuilding nations, and by 2047, among the top 5. India's shipbuilding industry is growing at an annual rate of 60%, with a projected market volume exceeding USD 8 billion by 2033.

This presents significant opportunities for European businesses. Key investment areas include port modernisation, offshore development, and sustainable shipping. Thanks to India's strategic position in the Indian Ocean, there are also long-term prospects for trade and maritime infrastructure.

"INMEX SMM India is the most important meeting place for the maritime industry in South Asia. It provides international businesses with an outstanding opportunity to showcase their technologies and solutions in one of the world's fastest-growing markets," says **Claus Ulrich Selbach**, Business Unit Director for Maritime and Technology Fairs at Hamburg Messe und Congress, co-organiser of the event.

Collective Presence: National Pavilions as a Success Model

International national pavilions provide businesses with strong visibility and facilitate market entry. European exhibitors, in particular, benefit from the joint stands of Germany, Greece, Norway, and



the Netherlands. These pavilions serve as central hubs for customers and partners while fostering valuable synergies between participating companies.

"Sustainable shipping, digitalisation, and automation are key themes of the German maritime industry. INMEX SMM India is an ideal platform to position these innovations in the growing Indian market," explains Hauke Schlegel, Managing Director of VDMA Marine Equipment and Systems.

The Greek pavilion is also expanding. "In recent years, Hellenic Marine Equipment Manufacturers & Exporters have been actively engaged in the Indian maritime industry. HEMEXPO will participate for the second time in INMEX SMM India, this time with a larger pavilion—a clear testament to the increasing interest of Greek companies in the local market, as the exhibition offers excellent opportunities to build strong business connections," said **Christos Papakis**, Executive Director of HEMEXPO.

Register Now as an Exhibitor

For more information and registration, visit: [INMEX SMM India website](#)

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