Circular

AEPC Organizing Buyer - Seller Meet (BSM) at Berlin, Germany end of February, 2023.

Dear Member,

Apparel Export Promotion Council has been organizing Buyer – Seller Meet (BSM) in **Berlin** Germany. India has been able to maintain its share of around 3-4% approx. in total garment imports of Germany. Germany is the second largest importer of textile and apparel products. In this regard, AEPC has decided to organize Buyer – Seller Meet (BSM) at Berlin **in Germany** for the year 2022-2023.

India's Apparel Export to Germany:

An apparel import into Germany has been increasing in last 3 years from US \$ 38956.43 million in 2019 to US \$ 41853.50 million in 2021 from India

India total export of RMG to Germany has been stale in last five years India capturing share of 5.91% in 2021.

Schedule:

The Buyer-Seller Meet has been arranged to take place at Berlin, Germany on the following dates:-

Venue / City	Month /Dates
Berlin, Germany	End of February, 2023

3. Why you should Buyer Seller Meet in Germany?

4. Avail benefit in participation fee on account of MAI grant from Ministry of Commerce: Eligibility for financial assistance under Market Access Initiative (MAI) scheme:

"A maximum of three participations in a particular trade fair/ exhibition would only be eligible for MAI assistance, i.e. members who have availed assistance three times (including past cases) for a particular fair / exhibition thereafter have to participate in that fair on their own. Further MAI funding support shall only be provided to a member for a maximum of three MAI events in a year. In case of exporter belonging to SC/ST/Women and the exporter is having FOB Value of exports less than Rs. 50 crore in a year, 5 participations in a particular event is allowed, provided each one of these is in different market (e.g. Africa, LAC, WANA, ASEAN, etc)."

Reimbursement of airfare:- Further, the Council would propose to Dept. of Commerce for sanction of grant on account of reimbursement of airfare (economy class) if it is approved by Ministry of Commerce, accordingly, regular director / partner / proprietor / regular officer of the company on senior managerial position of participating firm/co. shall be eligible for reimbursement of airfare as per MAI guidelines under para 6 (ii) of the Market Access Initiative Scheme 2021 issued by the Ministry of Commerce from time to time. **Non-MAI Exhibitor shall not be eligible for reimbursement.**

5. Participation Charges: The participation charges does not include air-fare, hotel expenditure or any other kind of personal expenses (logistics etc.): The subsidized participation fee is based on the anticipated grant from the Ministry. In case of any variation the participation fee may be revised.

	Participation charges as token money (Rs.)
Token money with application	Rs. 1,00,000/-
(balance payment is to be remitted before the Draw of Lot. The applicants, who	
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The last date for submission of application is 15th December, 2022

6. Payment Mode:

- (i) Demand Draft or Pay Order in the name of "Apparel Export Promotion Council" (payable at Gurugram or New Delhi) may be sent to **Mr. S. Hari Krishnan, Director** (EP Department), Apparel Export Promotion Council, Apparel House, Institutional Area, Sector-44, Gurugram-122003, Haryana, (India) Tel: +91 124 2708108 (D), 2708000-003, Mobile: +91 95604 72244 Fax: +91 124 2708004
- (ii) Payment can also be made through NEFT/RTGS to the following account:

BENEFICIARY: APPAREL EXPORT PROMOTION COUNCIL

SAVING A/C NO: 180401000004045

IFS CODE: IOBA0001804

BANK: INDIAN OVERSEAS BANK

ADDRESS: BRANCH - APPAREL HOUSE, SECTOR 44, INSTITUTIONAL AREA, GURUGRAM - 122003.

No cheque payment will be accepted.

Share the UTR Details in case of online payment.

7. Facilities provided in the fair:

In the above mentioned participation charges, the Council shall be providing facilities of overseas publicity, inland publicity, publicity through signage's, banners standees and space allocation in the priority area of Buyer Seller Meet at **Berlin** in Germany".

Stall Package: Items provided in 3x 3 mts (9 sq. mts)

- (a) Name Fascia
- (b) Carpeted booth
- (c) Electric connections sockets (shucko type)
- (d) 150 Hangers (125 Nos Top and 25 Nos bottom)
- (e) 8 spot lights (20 watts LED/CFL)
- (f) 1 Table & 3 chairs and half body mannequin
- (g) 7 hanger rails & 2 wooden shelves OR 9 hanger rails (for garments booth) OR 9 wooden shelves (options) (for accessories booth)
- (h) Waste Basket

8. Guidelines for allotment of the booths:

- a) All participants who have paid the full participation fee on time would be considered for allotment of booths through draw of lot.
- b) No change in the booths, once allotted would be entertained under any circumstances.
- c) The decision of Chairman-EP (AEPC) / Chairman (AEPC) would be final and binding in case of any dispute.
- d) The participation is on **FIRST-CUM-FIRST SERVED** (**FCFS**) till all booths are sold and the allotment of stalls shall be done through draw of lot basis.

9. Waitlist:

In case, applications are over-subscribed, a waitlist will be maintained, which would be considered on FCFS basis. Applicants are advised to ensure that they possess necessary visa to enter Germany. No request for refund will be entertained by AEPC if for any reason whatsoever visa is not granted.

10 Cancellation charges:

Terms & conditions for withdrawal will be as follows:

- > Rs. 25,000/- charges will be forfeited if the exporter withdraws before the Draw of Lot.
- ➤ 100% forfeiture after Draw of Lot.

11 Application Form

The application form (with Annexure I) is enclosed herewith for your ready reference. The application may also be downloaded from AEPC's website www.aepcindia.com

Interested members may also apply using following hyperlink:

Click Here to Apply Online

For seeking more details, please contact:-

1. Mr. S. Hari Krishnan, Director (EP Department)

Mobile No.+91 9560472244 Tel:+91 0124-2708108(D) / E-mail: addl.directorep@aepcindia.com

2. Mr. J.S. Rana, Joint Director (EP Department)

Tel: +91 124 2708191, Mobile: +91 9910035722 / Email: jsrana@aepcindia.com

You are requested to kindly send duly filled application form with participation fee by way of Demand Draft/Pay Order/NEFT/RTGS in favour of APPAREL EXPORT PROMOTION COUNCIL" GURGAON. Similarly, exporters located at Mumbai, Ludhiana, Jaipur, Tirupur, Chennai and Bangalore can deposit the DD/Pay order at Local AEPC offices also. All others may send the Demand Draft/Pay Orders to Gurgaon office.

Post show obligation of the participant

The exporters shall submit response form duly filled in to AEPC representative on 31st January, 2023 at **Berlin** in Germany.

Yours Sincerely,

(S. Hari Krishnan) Director (EP)

Enclosure: Application Form

Disclaimer: AEPC will not be responsible for the turnout of buyers/buying agents for any BSM/fair/show, etc. The Council will have no liability whatsoever for any kind of refund or payment in this regard. The Council shall not be responsible for booking of hotels, clearance of samples at the customs, for getting VISA & on certain complementary services provided by AEPC and organizational inability of fair organizers & other service providers.

APPLICATION FORM FOR PARTICIPATION IN BUYER SELLER MEET AT BERLIN, GERMANY

(February, 2023)

(Application should be on the Company's letterhead)

1.	Com	pany's Name	:		
2.	Nam	e of the Contact Person with Me	obile No. :		
3.	Addr	ress with PIN No.	:		
4.	Telephone Number :				
5.	E-mail Address :				
6.	RCM	IC No. & Date (Renewal fee pa	id 2022-23 : Yes / No) :		
7.	IEC I	Number	:		
8.	PAN Number :				
9.	TAN	Number	:		
10.	GST	Number	:		
11.	CIN	Number (required for only Pvt.	Ltd. Companies) :		
12.	Statu	s of Company (Partnership / Pr	oprietor / Pvt. Ltd. / Ltd. Co.:		
13.	Manı	ufacturer / Merchant Exporter	:		
14.	When	ther belongs to MSME (Yes / N	(o) :		
15.	Nam	e of Participant (Director / Parti	ner / Prop./Regular :		
	Offic	eer at Sr. Level) with DIN No.			
16.	When	ther belongs to SC/ST/General/	Woman :		
17.	17. Export Performance during the last three years: 2021-22 :				
	2020-21 :				
1.0	110.0		2019-20 :		
18.			being promoted/marketed by exhibitor:		
		ast 6 HS Codes should be giver			
	No.	HS Code (6 digit level)	Product description		
	2				
	3				
4	4				
19.	Main	items of production :			
20.	20. Mention segment Knitted/Woven				
21.	Prese	ent production capacity :	pcs. /month		
22.	22. Major brands & Fashion labels :				
23.	3. Major Countries of Exports :				

24. Whether First	st Time to	Germany	:	YES / NO
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25.	Please fill u	up the details	of the Visitin	g Representative	in the f	following format:

1	Name as appearing in Passport	
2	Passport Number	
3	Date of Issue	
4	Date of Expiry	
5	Date of Birth	
6	Place of Issue	
7	Whether has valid Germany visa	YES / NO

26.	Have you earlier participated in this	event with AEPC or any oth	ner Council / Organization?
	If Yes, Year (s)	No	

27. Are you participating in any other event under MAI assistance in 2022-23 with other EPC's/Commodity Board/ Trade Bodies? YES / NO

If yes, please give details:

S.N.	Name of the Event/Country	Date of event	Name of the EPC's/Commodity
			Board/ Trade Bodies
1.			
2.			
3.			

Disclaimer: As Annexure – I (It's mandatory to fill up and be attach with the application form as its' a part of application form).

28.	Participants Charges:	
Pay o	rder/ DD for Rs	drawn on
Payab	ole at Gurugram/ New Delhi	
OR (i	n case online payment):-	
UTR	Details: NEFT/RTGS No	for Rs
Date.	Name of Bank	
This i the sa		is correct to the best my knowledge and agree to abide by
Date:	-	
Signa	ture of Authorized Signatory	
Name	e & Designation:	
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Disclaimer

- 1. The participation is on FIRST-CUM-FIRST SERVED (FCFS) till all booths are sold.
- 2. All participants who have paid the full participation fee in time would be considered for allotment of booths through draw of lot.
- 3. No change in the booths, once allotted would be entertained under any circumstances.
- 4. The decision of Chairman-EP (AEPC) / Chairman (AEPC) would be final and binding in case of any dispute.
- 5. The space allotted to the approved participants is to be exclusively used by them for display of their exhibits as approved by AEPC. Subletting of space is not permissible. Violation of this clause may lead to cancellation of space allotted, forfeiting of space rent, security, deposit and cancellation of grant etc., paid to AEPC and debarring the participation from the future participation in AEPC's events.
- 6. AEPC will not be responsible for the turnout of buyers/buying agents for any Exhibition/fair/ show/ BSM etc. AEPC will have no liability whatsoever for any kind of refund or payment in this regard.
- 7. MAI Assistance shall be permissible to regular director/ partner/proprietor / regular officer of the company on senior managerial position. Assistance would not be available to exporter of foreign nationality or holding foreign passport. Non-MAI Exhibitor shall not be eligible for MAI reimbursement of airfare as well.
- 8. The representative would come back to India after the Event/Fair is over and would submit the proof of his/her departure/arrival, wherever necessary.
- 9. The Council shall not be responsible for booking of hotels, clearance of samples at the customs, for getting VISA & on certain complementary services provided by AEPC and organizational inability of fair organizers & other service providers.
- 10. Participants will be required to furnish complete information on orders booked, enquiries generated etc., in the form of Feedback form after the fair which is required by the Ministry as you are entitled for the grant/subsidy.
- 11. In case of default of any payment due from the participants, AEPC reserves the right to debar them from participation in AEPC's International fairs and bring to the notice of appropriate authority.

DECLARATION

We have studied the disclaimer for participation carefully and agree to abide by the same.

Date	&	\mathbf{P}	lace	
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Signature of Authorized Signatory
Name & Designation
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