



Press Release

*New dates announced for the fourth edition returning to
Fiera Milano City from 29 to 30 October 2024*

**FASTENER FAIR ITALY 2022 WRAPS UP WITH THE PRESENCE OF 2,825 INDUSTRY PROFESSIONALS
CONFIRMING ITSELF AS A KEY MARKETPLACE FOR THE FASTENER AND FIXING INDUSTRY**

Milan, 7 December 2022 – The third edition of **Fastener Fair Italy 2022**, the biennial international event dedicated to **fastener and fixing products, systems and services**, has ended at Fiera Milano City. Italy's only trade fair event for the sector recorded a turnout of 2,825 industry experts, of which 2,384 trade visitors from 48 countries, including managers, executives and engineers and the presence of 205 exhibitors from 18 countries, with a solid representation of companies from Italy, China, Germany and Turkey. The visitor mix at the show reflected the **diversity of markets** in which the fasteners and fixing industry operates. Visitors at the show came from a variety of sectors, including **metal products (29%), distribution (28%), automotive (22%), construction (18%) and mechanical engineering (13%)**. The top visiting countries were **Italy, Germany, Turkey, the United Kingdom, France and Spain**. The next edition of Fastener Fair Italy is confirmed in Milan in autumn 2024, from 29 to 30 October.

The support obtained from the industrial sector, in addition to the significant presence of visitors and exhibitors, highlighted the importance of the show as a meeting hub for national and international professionals in one of the leading European industrial economies. As a result, the exhibition again established its role as a platform to present technologies and innovations, launch new products, promote corporate marketing activities, and meet customers, suppliers and business partners.

Organised by Mack-Brooks Exhibitions – Part of RX in collaboration with partners, a total of 10 conference sessions and exhibitor presentations were an essential part of this edition. They contributed to intensifying the visitor experience with relevant discussions for the entire industrial supply chain.

"We can safely say that Fastener Fair Italy has been a success. It was the first major post-pandemic face-to-face event dedicated to the fastener and fixing sector in Italy. There's nothing better than meeting in person to build lasting relationships, connect with industry peers and discover the latest innovations. The show allowed the entire sector to come together through relevant meetings rich in topical and fundamentally essential content. The sector is buoyant, and our show is the proof of this", **comments Liljana Goszdziwski, Portfolio Director for the European Fastener Fairs.**

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Significant figures characterise this constantly evolving sector: according to international reports, the Italian fastener and fixing market is expected to **grow by 2.3% annually in the five years from 2020-2025**. This average value comprehends all fastening systems, from the industrial and manufacturing sectors, automotive and very specialised applications, such as aerospace. Pre-pandemic data indicate that companies in the industry had a **significant increase in turnover over the years**, with a growth of 6.2% in 2018 and 6.9% in 2019, before the pandemic stop, which in 2020 recorded a decrease of -3.4% (a slight decline when compared with other markets).

The data from the Anima Confindustria Research Office referring to the **first half of 2022** confirm **export** as a driving force of the Italian mechanic sector: +9% in the first half compared to the same period of 2021, for a total value of 17.1 billion euros. The **primary destination market** remains the EU area, which marks +15% and over 8 billion euros in exports, whilst the most significant growth in percentage terms occurs in the Americas: +37% in North America and +17% in Central and South America.

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Fastener Fair Italy is part of a series of commercial events organised by Mack-Brooks Exhibitions – part of RX (<https://www.mackbrooks.com/about/>) focused on the fastener and fixing industry, including Fastener Fair Global (<https://www.fastenerfairglobal.com/en-gb.html>), the flagship event of the Fastener Fair brand, which will take place in Germany in 2023, Fastener Fair India, Fastener Fair Mexico and Fastener Fair USA.

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