



More than 300 Italian Textile Machinery Manufacturers participated in ITMA ASIA + CITME 2025 in Singapore

ACIMIT Press Conference



Marco Salvadè, President ACIMIT, with Dante Brandi, Ambassador, Embassy of Italy in Singapore

More than 100 Italian companies exhibited at ITMA ASIA + CITME Singapore 2025, from October 28 to 31. With an area of around 4,000 square meters, Italy ranked among the top exhibiting Countries, as in previous editions. 53 Italian exhibitors showcased their innovations within the National Sector Groups, organized by ACIMIT (Association of Italian Textile Machinery Manufacturers) and Italian Trade Agency.

The ITMA ASIA + CITME show has always been the main showcase for textile machinery manufacturers in Asia, which absorbs 50% of global exports for a value of 8.8 billion euros in 2024. The main world markets for textile machinery are China and India, importing textile machines for a total value of 4.3 billion euros.

For Italian manufacturers as well, the Asian market is the top foreign destination. In 2024, Italian exports to



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Asia amounted to 664 million euros, while in the first six months of 2025, Italian sales to this geographical area grew at 1% rate on the same 2024 period, reaching a value of 317 million euros. China, India, Pakistan, and Bangladesh are the main Asian destinations for Made in Italy machinery.

ACIMIT President Marco Salvadè said: "ITMA ASIA + CITME Singapore was an occasion for Italian textile machinery manufacturers to display their updated technological supply. The choice of Singapore allows Italian exhibitors to engage with many Southeast Asian markets, which are becoming increasingly important manufacturing hubs."

"Despite geopolitical uncertainties, the significant presence of Italian exhibitors in Singapore showed the vitality of the Italian textile machinery sector," confirms Salvadè. "Italian manufacturers at ITMA

ASIA+CITME Singapore showcased a wide range of advanced solutions, covering the entire textile value chain. Visitors witnessed digitalization tools that can improve process efficiency and connectivity, automation systems for smarter production and innovations able to reduce environmental impact. In addition, there was a strong focus on sustainable technologies, with machinery designed to optimize energy and water use, while ensuring high-quality results. Italian manufacturers are committed to combining tradition in textile knowledge with cutting-edge innovation."

On the other side, Giorgio Calveri, Director of ITA Singapore, stated: "With 86% of its 2.1 billion euro production exported, Italy's textile machinery industry confirms its strong international orientation, with Asia as its main market. ITMA Asia + CITME 2025 in Singapore is a strategic opportunity to strengthen Italy's presence in this key region. With 100 exhibitors coordinated by ACIMIT and supported by ITA, Italy stands as a trusted partner for advanced, sustainable, and competitive technologies."

ACIMIT (Association of Italian Textile Machinery Manufacturers) represents an industrial sector that comprises roughly 300 manufacturers (employing around 12,500 people), which produce machinery for a turnover worth around 2.1 billion euros, of which 86% is exported. Creativity, sustainable technology, reliability, and quality are the hallmarks that have made Italian textile machinery worldwide leaders.

ITA – Italian Trade Agency is the Governmental agency that supports the business development of our companies abroad and promotes the attraction of foreign investment in Italy.

With a motivated and modern organization and a widespread network of overseas offices, ITA provides information, assistance, consulting, promotion, and training to Italian small and medium-sized businesses.

Using the most modern multi-channel promotion and communication tools, it acts to assert the excellence of Made in Italy in the world. ■ ■