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On behalf of the entire team, it gives me a great sense of pride to be part of the IGATEX Pakistan 2017- The 11<sup>th</sup> International Garment, Textile Machinery & Accessories Exhibition & Conference taking place at Karachi Expo Centre from 26<sup>th</sup> to 29<sup>th</sup> April 2017 organised by. FAKT Exhibitions. This trade show has the distinction of being one of the largest exhibitions of its kind in the region and attracts more than 550 exhibitors with international participation from over 35 countries. IGATEX Pakistan has always served as a bridge between international and local manufacturers and exhibitors

thereby facilitating sales leads, further strengthening their brand awareness and adding value to the overall economy.

Over the past decade, IGATEX
Pakistan has contributed to developing
the trade between industry professionals
and by increasing the pace of
technological innovations that are
adopted by the industry. Even though in
the past couple of years the industry has
seen some major ups and downs, but
what is noteworthy is that the textile
industry has taken a proactive approach
to planning for the future and the timely
adoption of state-of-art machinery which

has helped in keeping the industry at par with international standards.

The technology brought by the exhibitors to IGATEX Pakistan has always proven to be economical, easy to use and provides economies of scale, that have further helped our industry to innovate and to offer new products to international buyers.

Pakistani textile products have gained significant market share by exporting to the EU, the Americas and the Middle East. The textile sector serves as a critical economic component of Pakistan's developing economy as one of the largest

exporters of textile products and also as a major importer of textile related machinery.

With a very strong participation from Italy, Germany, Switzerland, Belgium, Japan and China, IGATEX Pakistan is once again an international showcase of technology for Pakistan's textile industry with a record number of exhibitors having fully functional machines on display for the benefit of their valued customers and visitors.

At IGATEX Pakistan 2017 we are committed to producing results for the industry as a whole in terms of introducing the latest machinery, equipment to manufacturers. Trade visitors also have access to a vast array of options and choices to undertake decisions in terms of procurement, business modeling and buying & selling activities.

A number of special events are planned by the exhibitors during the event including, customer events organised by companies and their agents.

A technical seminar on Friday, the 28<sup>th</sup> April being organised by FAKT Exhibitions highlights the prowess of Italian textile technology on display at IGATEX Pakistan 2017.

In conclusion, I would like to extend a very warm welcome to all our exhibitors, visitors, media partners and strategic partners to IGATEX Pakistan 2017 and hope everyone has a wonderful experience.





