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INTERNATIONAL TRADE EXHIBITIONS SCHEDULE

. 10~13, August 2017

CRAFT & QUILT FAIR - CANBERRA 2017
Exhibition Park in Canberra
Corner of Flemington Road and Northbourne Avenue
Mitchell, ACT, 2911, Australia

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AUSTRALIA



26~28, August 2017

INTERNATIONAL JEWELRY FAIR

International Convention Center Sydney.

Expertise Events Tel: (61) 2 94527575

SYDNEY

E-mail: <u>info@jewelleryfair.com.au</u>
Web: <u>www.jewelleryfair.com.au/2017/</u>



25~27, August 2017

FISHERY & SEAFOOD EXPO 2017
China Import & Export (Canton Fair) Complex Guangzhou Boyi Global Exhibition Co. Ltd., Rm. 3308-3309, Block E, PWTC, No.1022 Xingang East Road, Haizhu District, Guangzhou, Guangdong, China Tel: +86 20 66339113 Fax: +86 20 66319008 E-mail: info@gzboyi.com.cn



4. 28~30, August 2017

GRAIN TECH + AGRI TECH + INDIA FOOD EX 2017
Bangalore International Exhibition Centre (BIEC)
10th Mile, Tumkur Road, Madavara Post,
Dasanapura Hobli, Bangalore 562 123,
India. Tel: +91 80-6624 6600
Fax: +91 80-66246661

E-mail: info@biec.in

Web: www.graintechindia.com/



12~14, September 2017

1ST PACIFIC SEAFOOD & TECHNOLOGY EXPOSITION-2017
Sir John Guise Indoor Stadium

Port Moresby Papua, New Guinea

Web: www.bigexpo.cn

26~28, September 2017

TEA & COFFEE WORLD CUP Singapore Expo, Singapore

Web: www.tcworldcup.com/
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The Maltings, 57, Bath Street, Gravesend, Kent DA11 ODF, UK Tel: +44 1474 532202



18~20, October 2017

FRUIT ATTRACTION

International Trade Show for the Fruit and Vegetable Industry
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E-mail: <u>fruitattraction@ifema.es</u> Web: <u>www.fruitattraction.ifema.es</u>



8. 27~29, October 2017

TIMBER & WORKING WOOD SHOW - CANBERRA 2017

Exhibition Park in Canberra Corner of Flemington Road and Northbourne Avenue

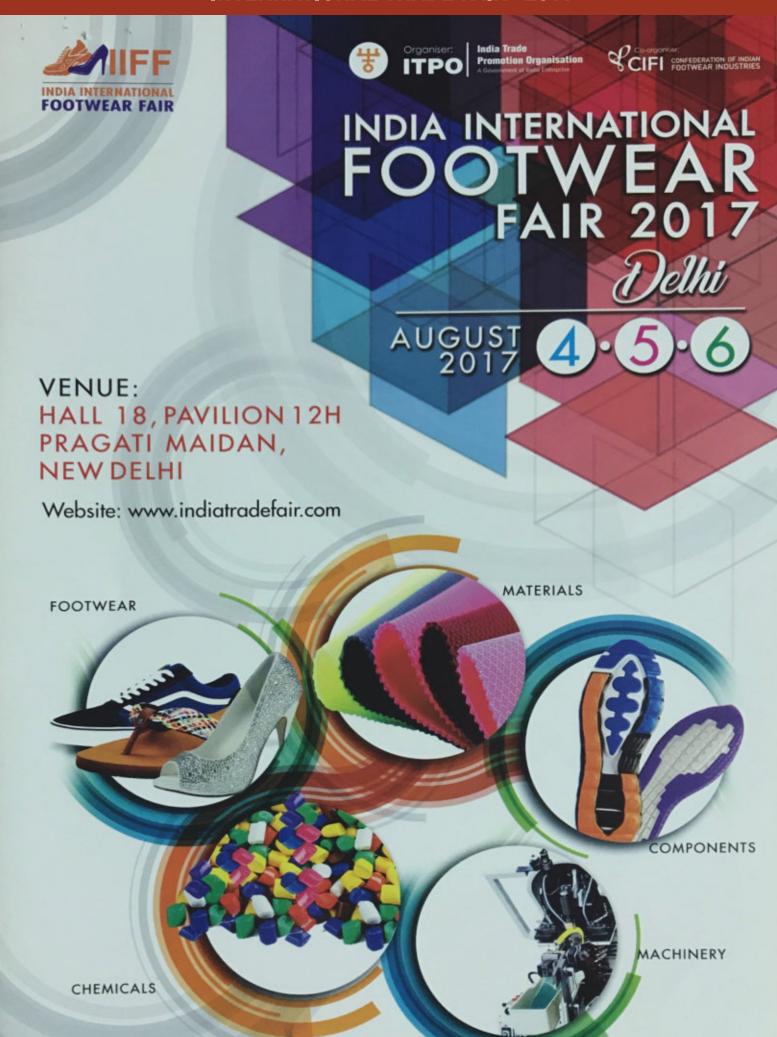
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INTERNATIONAL TRADE FAIR -2017



2017 International Elastomer Conference

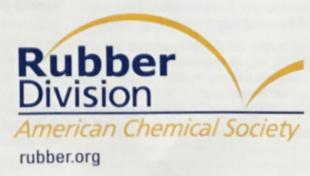
International Rubber & Advanced Materials In Healthcare Expo, 192nd Technical Meeting, Educational Symposium & Advanced Materials In Healthcare Conference

Rubber Division, ACS is the only organization dedicated to the advanced technologies of the rubber industry. Our International Elastomer Conference is the premier place where customers, suppliers of materials, equipment, tools and services, and educators come together. It provides a forum for the exchange of ideas, observations, regulatory reforms and emerging scientific technologies, as well as learning and networking. 5,000 industry professionals are expected to attend!

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October 9-12, 2017 • Cleveland, OH USA **Huntington Convention Center of Cleveland**

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INTERNATIONAL TRADE FAIRS -2017 (AUG/SEP/OCT)



HKTDC

17-19, August 2017

Venue Hong Kong Convention and Exhibition Centre, Wan Chai, Hong Kong



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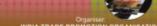




Delhi Book Fai

August 26 - September 3

Pragati Maidan, New Delh





INDIA TRADE PROMOTION OF FEDERATION OF ORGANISATION







SEPTEMBER 26-29, 2017









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THESSALONIKI International Fair

Venue: Thessaloniki, Greece

September 9 to 17, 2017

September 9-17

2017

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Fiera del Levante, Bari (Italy)



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INTERNATIONAL TRADE EXHIBITIONS (LOCAL)





COLOMBO



8th to 11th August 2017

"Maturitea"

www.ceylonteaevents.com



"Spontaneitea"

Convention Programme

Tuesday, 8th August 2017

- Registration at Cinnamon Grand Hotel
- > Welcome Cocktails

Wednesday, 9th August 2017

- ➤ Opening Ceremony & Working Sessions at Bandaranaike Memorial International Conference Hall (BMICH)
- > Session Topic
 - PLANTATIONS

Thursday, 10th August 2017

- Working sessions at Cinnamon Grand Hotel
- Session Topics
 - ▼ TECHNOLOGY
 - COMPETING BEVERAGES & MARKETING STRATEGIES
 - FINANCE, TRADE & COMMERCE

Friday, 11th August 2017

- ➤ Working sessions at Cinnamon Grand Hotel
- Session Topics
 - LOGISTICS
 - HERITAGE
 - **GLOBAL FORCES**





8th - 10th SEPTEMBER, 2017

BMICH, COLOMBO



Source: Tea & Coffee Net, Trade Shows & Trade Fair Dates in Sri Lanka



2017 CALENDAR OF TRADE EVENTS



1. INTERNATIONAL TRADE FAIRS AND EXHIBITIONS (OVERSEAS)

Month & Date (2017)	Products	Trade Events	City & Country	Responsible Div.
September	Multi Product	China ASEAN Expo	Nanning, China	Market Development
September 18~21	Apparel	Apparel Sourcing Paris	Paris, France	Industrial Product
3rd Quarter	Gem & Jewellery	Bangkok Gem & Jewellery Fair	Bangkok, Thailand	Industrial Product
October 07~11	Food & Beverages	ANUGA 2017	Cologne, Germany	Export Agriculture
October 08~12	ICT/BPM	GITEX Technology Week	Dubai, UAE	Export Services
October 10~13	Multi Product	13th China International SME Fair	Guangzhou, China	Market Development
October 11~13	Coco Peat, Flowers, Foliage, Flori-culture related value added Coir Products	IFEX/GARDEX 2017	Tokyo, Japan	Export Agriculture
4th Quarter	Multi Product	Expo Pakistan Exhibition	Karachi, Pakistan	Market Development

2. B2B NETWORK PROMOTION & MARKET EXPOSURE PROGRAMS - INTERNATIONAL

Month & Date (2017)	Products	Trade Events	Country	Responsible Div.
September 04~15	Electronics	B2B meetings in Create Forward & backward linkages/ Joint-Ventures	Vietnam/Thailand	Export Services
September 24~28	Spices & Essential Oils	IFEAT Conference	Greece	Export Agriculture
November 21~25	Automobile Components	B2B meeting Program	Thailand	Industrial Product
4th Quarter	ICT/BPM	B2B Program and Networking meetings	U.K.	Export Services

3. PROGRAMS IN SRI LANKA

Month & Date (2017)	Products	Trade Events	Venue	Responsible Div.
August	Multi Product	Inward mission from Kenya	Colombo	Market Development
August 31 ~ Sept 03	Gem & Jewellery	FACET Sri Lanka Show	BMICH, Colombo	Industrial Product
September	Jewellery Designing	Design Development Certificate Course	Colombo	Industrial Product
September	Multi Product	Inward mission from Saudi Arabia	Colombo	Market Development
October	Multi Product	Inward mission from Denmark	Colombo	Market Development
October	Multi Product	Seminar/Workshop on doing business with Korea using an Expert from South Korea	Colombo	Market Development
November	ICT/BPM	Organizing pavilion at INFOTEL for IoT / Embedded Systems	Colombo	Export Services

Source : TF&TI Division, EDB

INTERNATIONAL TRADE EXHIBITIONS-2018 (ANNOUNCING)



NATIONAL **RUBBER CONFERENCE-2017**

23-24 FEBRUARY, 2018

INTERNATIONAL **CONFERENCE AND EXHIBITION ON** POLYMERS (ICEP)



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INTERNATIONAL TRADE EXHIBITIONS-2018 (ANNOUNCING)

Announcing

TUNA 2018 BANGKOK

28 - 30 MAY 2018 Shangri-La Hotel - Bangkok, Thailand

15th INFOFISH **WORLD TUNA** TRADE CONFERENCE **& EXHIBITION**



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ORGANIC AGRICULTURE AND BIO FOODS



Dr Sarath Ranaweera Chairman of Bio Foods (Pvt)

Sri Lanka has a high degree of biodiversity and is blessed with nature gifted most suitable climatic conditions for having sustainable natural agriculture systems.

Organic agriculture is an environment friendly, culturally sensitive, socially just, and economically viable and a sustainable & efficient production system. Organic production has own standards, regional specific regulations and therefore internationally accredited third party certification is essential. The Organic food market is supported by consumers

globally and is in ever-growing demand since last few decades.

The agriculture practices that have been carried out for many years with indigenous knowledge of our traditional farmers have contributed tremendously for the development of sustainable agriculture in Sri

Many well balanced eco systems including the Kandyan forest garden system play a major role in protecting environment and maintaining biodiversity in many parts of our beautiful island. Most of the lands that were identified as ecological farms, have now been certified as organic according to international standards.

Many developed countries have set up the minimum requirements as

organic regulation and therefore products are checked at customs with





The basic value addition by converting products from conventional or ecological varies from 30% to more than 100% depending on the product. Sri Lanka as a country with full of natural resources has huge potential to fulfill the considerable portion of ever-growing market demand for organic products in the world. This is definitely an encouraging indication to any Government to support Organic Sector. This target has been achieved by few organic companies with their individual effort made for many years. The Export Development Board of Sri Lanka has immensely assisted to promote organic sector in Sri Lanka by assisting the private sector to seek new markets for organic products.

Protection of environment has become a major indirect contributory factor of organic agriculture.

However extreme care must be taken to prevent the contamination of heavy metal and clinical waste when urban waste is converted as soil inputs for the use in conventional agriculture.

The investment required in the future to clean our soil and water resources will be very significant.

Environment polluted by us today for our short term benefit will have to be restored by our future generation at their cost for their survival. Therefore it is logical that the cost for cleaning the environment needed in the future has to be added to the cost of conventional production. Promotion of organic agriculture minimizes the health problems and also results in no capital





Organic Labeling

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Organic labeling needs international certification for Sri Lankan products. However, the cost of international inspection attributes extra overhead cost to the cost of production and therefore measures taken to reduce COP have become a necessity. A long-term professional approach will help to generate more foreign exchange whilst our environment is being protected.

The EDB is now initiating action for Sri Lanka to get the recognition and equivalent status for local certification or to enter into the Third Country Registry enabling local inspection bodies to certify products as organic which will be accepted by any international community.

Recognized local certification system will also enable our producers and exporters to offer organic products at competitive prices in international markets. The main benefit from lower certification cost could be transferred to the farming community by giving them reasonable higher prices against conventional market prices along with the forward contracts. The organic food production for local market will result in generating a healthier community in Sri Lanka.

BIO FOODS...

Bio Foods (Pvt) Limited (BF), (www.biofoodslk.com) is a dedicated Organic and Fairtrade company established in 1993 that exports Organic and Fairtrade Products such as Green teas, Black teas & Herbal teas, Spices,

Traditional Rice

varieties, Coconut Products, & frozen products to many developed countries.





Bio Foods is the world's first Fair-trade registered processor and exporter of organic spices and coconut products and is a member of the International Federation of Organic Agriculture Movement (IFOAM).





The company is based in Kandy with its processing centres scattered throughout the country, meeting international quality standards including BRC and customer requirements in processing and producing vast range of products sourced through farmers and producer organizations.

EGO PLANET PROJECT OF BIO FOODS...

Increasing the productivity of organic agriculture has now become a challenging commitment which was taken into consideration by Bio Foods. Having understood the major factor in improving the yield in organic agriculture, Bio

Foods has taken initiative in introducing Soil and Plant-input Project "Eco Planet Project".

Eco Planet is engaged in developing innovative products, new agriculture practices, new organic agriculture technology and knowledge to support the Sri Lankan agriculture community with the intension of assisting organic agriculture industry.

Organic plant protection substance helps certified organic agriculture with the use of new agriculture technology for better crop production. Isolating, growing, multiplication and product development form beneficial microorganisms extracted from local soils are practised in our own microbiology laboratory and releases them through the organic soil inputs for the better crop production.

We are registered under Ministry of Agriculture Sri Lanka (MOA/OFP/2014/1074) as an organic fertilizer producer and have obtained the organic certification as certified organic products by Control Union international certification body (No:CU829777).





GOALS OF THE PROJECT

Provision of total solution for organic soil and plant inputs requirements in Sri Lanka

Production of high quality "Organic Soil & Plant Inputs"

Provision of agriculture extension services and organic agriculture consultancy services.

Contribution for soil and plant sustainability through our products.

Provision of total laboratory services to the stakeholders to get the optimum higher yields through the organic agriculture practices

The Organic Fertilizer which has been introduced by Bio Foods and now vastly used by many large scale estates and farmers provides following factors to the soil:

- Improves soil physical, Chemical Biological characteristics
- Restores of beneficial Microorganisms.
- Enriches the soil health.
- Moisture & nutrients retention.
- Reduces chemical residues

SMALL FARMERS, FAIRTRADE AND BIO FOODS...

Being a Fairtrade pioneer in Sri Lanka, I have initiated organic and fairtrade farmer project in 1993 including the concept of small farmer organization that has supported the farmers to convert their lands to organic agricultural practices. This also had a significant impact to the society for better environment, economic sustainability, and social well-being of farmers and their families.

I was awarded "The fairest fair trader of the world" by the prestigious Fairtrade Labeling Organization -International, Germany for the year 2014. The small organic producer association where the leadership has been given by me as the President has been adjudged as the best small farmer organization in Asia by FLO international for the excellent contributions made towards small farmer socio economic development.





We were recipient of **Presidential Export Awards** - 2015 Highest Value Added **Exporter - Organic Products** Sector.

The company generates more than LKR 3 billion foreign exchange annually from export of organic products to European and North American countries maintaining high value addition to top quality Sri Lankan raw materials.

The company is also in the process of making propaganda so that the Sri Lankans are made aware of the benefits of consuming Organic and Ecological products, through media and other activities.

It is our responsibility to protect mother earth with cleaner air & water, rich soil & greener biodiverse environment for the sustainability and survival of

future generation with the concept of "ORGANIC AGRICULTURE".

Operational Aspects of International Trade

2017

COURSE CONTENTS

to whom...

For senior and middle level executives in public and private sector organizations dealing with international trade

Module I - Five (05) Saturdays:

- Legal & Financial Aspects of International Trade
- Negotiation Skills
- Contracts of Carriage
- INCOTERMS(2010)
- Exchange Risks
- Method of Settlement of Payment
- Costing & Pricing
- Settlement of Disputes
- Sales Contracts
- e-Commerce
- Export Packaging
- Entrepot Trade
- Preferential Trading
- Factoring

Module II - Five (05) Saturdays:

- Export Procedures & Certification
- Customs Import Procedures Duty free Access
- Quality Controls on Imports/Exports
- Port Procedures & Documentation
- Port Charges
- Marine Insurance & Cargo Insurance
- Banking Procedures in related to International Trade
- Air Cargo Procedures
- BOI Procedures
- Freight Forwarding & Transportation
- Customs Imports/Exports, Bond Procedure & Documentation

VENUE : Sri Lanka Export Development Board, No.42, Navam Mawatha, Colombo 2. FACULTY : Professionals from EDB, SLC, SLPA, Banks and the Public & Private Sectors.

DURATION: Ten(10) Saturdays and Field Visits during a weekday.

REGISTRATION: No of students per course/batch will be limited to 40 on "First come First serve" basis,

and additional applications will be considered for the next batch on availability of seats.

Course Fee: Rs.25,000/-

19th August 2017



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Trade Facilitation & Trade Information
Sri Lanka Export Development Board
42, Navam Mawatha, Colombo 2

ADDVERTISEMENT EXPO NEWS - IS: 07/2017



Fisheries sector in Sri Lanka accounts for 1.5 percent of GDP at the current market prices in 2015. Total fish production in 2015 amounted to 520,190 metric tons around 272,140 active fishermen have engaged in both marine and inland fisheries and 1,023,780 members of their household depend on the income gained through fishing and related activities.

Sri Lanka has a well-established fishery industry. There are around 14 deep sea fishing harbors in Sri Lanka. The sector has shown a growth rate of 5% in the last 5 years and the key buyers remain as UK, France, Italy, Japan, Netherlands and USA.

The main product categories are Tuna, Sword tail, Marlin, and other fish species exported in fresh, frozen filleted form.

Sri Lanka has emerged as a quality tuna exporter -predominantly yellow fin and big eye species to international markets. These include sashimi quality tuna, tuna loins, fresh tuna steaks, tuna topping and tuna saku blocks, etc.

Other varieties of Sri Lankan seafood relished by the world are the ingredients to culinary seafood heaven; lobsters, crabs, squid, cuttlefish, shark fin, beche de-mer and fish maws are famous in the international seafood market due to their quality taste and texture.

SEAFOOD PRODUCT SECTOR PLAYS AN IMPORTANT ROLE IN SRI LANKA'S SOCIAL AND ECONOMIC LIFE. **END OF THE CIVIL** UNREST DETAINED THREE **DECADES IN THE** COUNTRY, FISHERIES SECTOR HAS A SIGNIFICANT SCOPE TO **INCREASE THE LEVEL OF** CONTRIBUTION THROUGH EXPLOITING HIGH SEAS FOR TUNA FISHING & VALUE ADDITION.

SEAFOOD INDUSTRY IN SRI LANKA EXPO NEWS - IS : 07/2017



As a developing country Sri Lanka uses the sustainable seafood concept which helps to protect the environment. Making sustainable seafood choices is about supporting solutions for healthier oceans. Most of the Sri Lankan seafood exporting companies have obtained the "Friend of Sea" certificate for sustainability.

Fisheries sector has generated US\$ 170 Mn of export earnings in the year 2016 and it has accounted for 1.6 percent of total export earnings.

Sri Lanka's fish exports to the European Union make up 68 percent of its total fish exports. The remaining 32 percent is sent to the United States, Japan and other non-EU countries. Sri Lanka is one of the largest seafood exporters to the EU. A country must be on the list of EU-approved countries in order to export

fish to the EU market. The approval is granted based on equivalence of public health and control systems. In other words, the country must be able to ensure that the fishery products exported meet the strict EU health requirements. Sri Lanka is a EU approved country as well as Russia. Although, most of the countries do not have the opportunity to export seafood to Russia, at present 19 seafood companies in Sri Lanka have qualified to export seafood to Russia. Ban on fishery exports to the EU was lifted in April 2016 which is a significant achievement of the Sri Lanka seafood industry.

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