

UITIC 19th Congress in Chennai: A Successful event!

The 19th International Technical Footwear Congress of UITIC (International Union of Shoe Industry Technicians) has just ended. **From the 3rd to the 5th February, more than 596 participants met in Chennai, India, discussing topics about “the future footwear factory”.**



Organized by UITIC and the Council for Leather Exports of India, the event managed to bring together a representative sampling of the international footwear industry with professionals and experts from nearly 30 countries, including 174 foreign attendees from outside India. It proposed **30 presentations** and a total of **35 technical posters**.

Yves Morin, President, and Françoise Nicolas, General Secretary of UITIC, as well as the Executive Committee, would like to thank everyone involved for this successful event:

- The attendees, first of all, for their presence and their active involvement,
- The presenters and speakers,
- Kenmore Shoes, BBK Leathers Private Ltd. And KH Group for organizing the factory visits,
- The sponsors of the congress.

They would like to specially thank the CLE for its major contribution to the success of this congress. CLE provided a strong support organizing this event under the Presidency of Rafeeqe Ahmed, Chairman of CLE, Aqeel Ahmed, Convener of the Congress and Regional Chairman of CLE, and Ramesh Kumar, Executive Director of CLE.

The different presentations of the Congress will be soon available on the **Congress Website** www.uitic-congress.cleindia.org and the **UITIC website** www.uitic.org

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ABOUT UITIC

The International Union of Shoe Industry Technicians (UITIC), established in 1972, is an organization which aims at developing technical knowledge in the footwear industry, in particular by organizing international conferences on a regular basis and by taking the initiative in setting up information exchanges between its members, exclusively in the field of technology. UITIC's main activity is to organize the most prestigious meeting of experts in the world, an International Technical Congress. This event tackles the latest technical problems or innovation in the footwear industry. Visits of footwear factories and related industries are organized. UITIC's members are technicians from associations and research centers, private companies and footwear experts, coming from 27 countries.

ABOUT CLE

The Council for Leather Exports (CLE) is the single largest and Apex trade promotion organization of the strong and rapidly growing Indian leather & leather products industry. CLE is committed towards the overall development of Indian leather sector and achieve higher export growth to enhance India's share in global leather trade. CLE is functioning under the aegis of Ministry of Commerce & Industry, Govt. of India. It is the notified Export Promotion organization for entire leather & leather products industry.