



Special Issue

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## Retrospect

Partner Country



South Africa



Guest Country





display of latest products and technologies in an exhibition

area of 4000 sgm, a dedicated conference on "Investment

Opportunities", a cultural show & gala dinner. "Bilateral Trade worth 6 billion USD between India & South Africa



Partner State

# 18th International Engineering & Technoloy Fair 2009 (IETF) 23-26 February 2009, BIEC, Bengaluru, India

he 18th edition of the International Engineering & Technology Fair (IETF) 2009 was unveiled on 23 February, 2009 at BIEC, Bengaluru,India. The IETF - segmented into well-defined technological sections had four focused sector specific shows held concurrently.

- Robotics & Automation
- Manufacturing
- Engergy & Environment
- SAFE

The event was jointly inaugurated by Ms Elizabeth Thabethe, Deputy Minister of Trade & Industry, South Africa and Mr Rajive Kaul, Past President, CII. Sharing the dias on the momentous occasion was Mr Akira Ishihara, Managing Director - The Energy



Chandrajit Banerjee, Director General, CII, Rajive Kaul, Chairman, CII Tradefairs Committee, Elizabeth Thabethe, Deputy Minister of Trade & Industry, South Africa, Dr Raj Kumar Khatri, Commissioner, Industrial Development, Karnataka

is not sufficient...there is bigger potential to achieve" said Ms Elizabeth Thabethe, Deputy Minister of Trade & Industry, South Africa during the inaugural address.

> Karnataka joined as the Partner State for the event. The state highlited its strength under the three sector specific shows – Manufacturing, Energy & Environment & SAFE.

> Japan displayed the latest under the Energy & environment sector by

Conservation Centre on behalf of Japan, Dr Raj Kumar Khatri, Commissioner, Industrial Development, Govt of Karnataka on behalf of the Partner State.

IETF witnessed South Africa as the "Partner Country" for the second time. The country showcased an impressive



Akira Ishihara, Managing Director, The Energy Conservation Centre – Japan, Fancis Moloi, High Commissioner, South African High Commission, Elizabeth Thabethe, Dr Raj Kumar Khatri

participating as the "Guest Country". Some major names included Toyota Kirloskar, NEDO, Nippon, Japan.

International Cooperation Agency, Kanagawa Industrial Promotional Centre, Koyoh Co Ltd, The Energy Conservation Centre etc.





### Seminars & Conferences:

- South Africa Day: Trade & Investment Opportunities
  Seminar
- 2nd Robotics & Automation Conference
- Open Source Softwares & MSMEs
- Energy & Environment Seminar
- 3rd India Latin America & Caribbean Conclave

Some key speakers at these conferences included Mr Ramesh Datla (Chairman, CII National MSME Council & Managing Director – Elico Ltd, Mr Nandu Pradhan (President & Managing Director Red Hat India Pvt Ltd), Ms Elizabeth Thabethe (Deputy Minister of Trade & Industry, South Africa), Mr Chandreasekhar (Convener, Energy & Environment Panel, CII Karnataka & MD Bhorika Power Corp), Mr V.S Mahalingam, Director Centre for Artificial Inteligence & Robotics, Ministry of Defence.

#### SHOW HIGHLIGHTS

No. of Exhibitors: 300 No. of Overseas Exhibitors: 124 Total No. of Business Visitors: 14127 Business Generated worth: 400 Crore (approx)

**Participation from Countries:** South Africa, Japan, Malaysia, Thailand, Oman, Germany, Iran, Turkey, Mauritius, United Kingdom, Spain, Israel, Korea, Austria, China, Germany, Poland, UAE, Botswana, Russia, USA and LAC

**Official Delegations:** Canada, Iran, Mauritius, Argentina, Brazil, Cuba, Dominican Republic, El-Salvador, Ecuador, Gautemala, Peru, UK, Japan, S.Africa, Malaysia, Singapore, Sudan, Jordan, Oman & Taiwan.

## **Exhibitor Feedback**



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