

Taking place in İzmir, 8th Eurasia Rail Exhibition hosted 229 companies and 12,322 Visitors from 18 Countries!

- Turkey's only and the world's 3rd largest rolling stock, infrastructure & logistics exhibition, Eurasia Rail was held in Fuar İzmir for the first time this year.
- Eurasia Rail, which is organized in cooperation with T. R. Ministry of Transport and Infrastructure, T.R Ministry of Commerce, Turkish State Railways (TCDD), International Union of Railways (UIC), Chambers and Associations of Commerce, welcomed domestic and foreign professional buyers from Qatar, Germany, Algeria, Czech Republic, China, France, the Netherlands, Spain, and Italy along with Turkey.

Held by the organizer of premier exhibitions in leading industries of Turkey, ITE Turkey, "8th Rolling Stock, Infrastructure & Logistics Exhibition - Eurasia Rail" took place at fuarizmir Exhibition Center in İzmir between April 10-12 this year. The exhibition tracked the pulse of the industry by addressing the latest developments in the rolling stock industry and bringing together the decision makers for this purpose.

The companies had the opportunity to present their leading products and product lines in the Eurasia Rail, the meeting point of the leading companies in the industry including ALSTOM, METRO İSTANBUL, CAF, DURMAZLAR, CRRC, TURKISH RAILWAY MACHINES INDUSTRY INC. (TÜDEMSAŞ), MILITARY ELECTRONICS INDUSTRIES (ASELSAN), SIEMENS, TURKISH STATE RAILWAYS (TCDD), TURKISH WAGON INDUSTRY JOINT STOCK COMPANY (TUVASAŞ), HYUNDAI EUROTEM, KARDEMİR, TURKISH LOCOMOTIVE AND ENGINE COMPANY INC. (TÜLOMSAŞ), TALGO, KNORR-BREMSE, ANSALDO STS, and BOZANKAYA. In addition, the exhibitors and visitors participated in the exhibition had the chance to form new collaborations through the hosted buyers program while being informed on the industry developments through the conference topics discussed during the exhibition. A total of 776 meetings were held among the exhibitors, visitors, and hosted buyers as part of the Hosted Buyer program.

Technological developments in the rail systems, as well as the infrastructure investments, passenger experience, and security issues, were covered in the conferences, roundtable

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meetings, mega project presentations, and workshops held during the events programme carried out alongside the three-day exhibition. The events including the expert reviews, case studies, and recent developments in the industry brought together the top level decision makers, department directors, and technology experts from the rolling stock industry.

At the exhibition where more than 50 expert speakers evaluated the developments in the industry over 20 sessions, the important development fields within the industry were under the spotlight with “Turkish Railways’ Today, Future and Economic Predictions”, “Security in Railway Systems”, “Localization and Investments in Urban Railways” sessions and domestic and international mega project presentations such as “Hyperloop, URAYSİM (National Rail Systems Research and Testing Center), 3 Storey Grand İstanbul Tunnel, Londra Crossrail 2, and The Trans-Caspian International Transport Route.”

“Turkish Railways’ Today, Future and Economic Predictions” session captured the audience’s attention

Sharing his views as part of the “Turkish Railways’ Today, Future and Economic Predictions” session, **General Manager of TCDD (Turkish State Railways) Ali İhsan Uygun** stated that; “As we all know, substantial investments are only made during the periods of stability. We are working on railway projects throughout Turkey such as Kars, Edirne, İzmir, Gaziantep, Samsun, and Adana. These investments have been made to meet the need for resources. We can say that the story of rail transport starts right here, in İzmir. 4,136 km of rail lines including the İzmir-Aydın railway line were constructed in our country prior to the Republic period. And today, 3,798 km of railway lines will be constructed within the scope of our ongoing projects. The total length of our rail network has reached to 12,800 kilometers. Turkey serves as a meeting point between the West and the East; and, the North and the South. We are planning to increase our investments.”

Emphasizing that the liberalization in the rolling stock industry attracts considerable public attention, **General Director of Railway Regulatory General Directorate (DDGM) Bilgin Recep Bakem** added; “Rolling Stock is a dynamic industry. We keep issuing new regulations within the scope of the European Union rules and consistently learn and grow. Additionally, I would like to add that we are continuing to work on a set of railway rules.”

Another important session, “**Racing a Prototype for Hyperloop: SpaceX Competition Experience to Build Future Sustainable Transport and Other Innovative Approaches to Deliver Sustainable Transport Today,**” held in the first day of the exhibition addressed cultural and technological revolution of the transportation industry along with the impacts of the wide use of the high-speed rail systems operating under low-pressure environments have on urban growth.

Pointing out that this year’s high points include different future applications of the mobility, **Mariana Avezum:** “Like in other big metropolitan cities of the world, traffic congestion has been an issue for İstanbul. Bringing professionals from different fields in the transportation

industry together at the exhibition creates new opportunities to pursue. One of the main challenges in the current mobility scenario is the lack of communication between all relevant stakeholders. Government agencies, infrastructure providers, mobility services, and passengers all have different interests and it is a great opportunity to bring all of these groups together in a single event to address the synergies among the project partners.”

Stating that he is very glad that the exhibition was held in İzmir for the first time, **Eurasia Rail Exhibition Director Semi Benbanaste:** *“It is extremely important for us to hold the exhibition in İzmir. İzmir remains to be a strategically important city as it was in history. We have had the opportunity to see and evaluate the projects that have been introduced to the railway industry with visitors coming from many different points of the world during the three-day event. As ITE Group, we are bringing together the world's leading industry representatives to analyze the most trending technologies and investments in the industry since 2011. We hosted domestic and foreign professional buyers from Qatar, Germany, Algeria, Czech Republic, China, France, the Netherlands, Spain, and Italy along with Turkey in cooperation with T. R. Ministry of Transport and Infrastructure, T.R Ministry of Commerce, Turkish State Railways (TCDD), International Union of Railways (UIC), Chambers and Associations of Commerce this year as well.*

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