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ORGATEC 2026 clearly on course

From 27 to 30 October 2026, ORGATEC brings together leading brands, renowned experts and a premium, international trade public in Cologne. The planning in the halls is currently proceeding full speed ahead, and many companies have already confirmed their participation in the leading international trade fair for workspace and contract solutions - a strong starting situation for the coming edition.

The interest of the industry in ORGATEC 2026 is high: numerous companies leading in the industry have already applied. Within the Workspace Solutions segment, the following exhibitors are represented members of the German Interior Business Association (IBA) among others: Actiu, Bene, Buzzispace, Interstuhl, JAB Anstoetz, Kinnarps, Nowy Styl, Nurus, Palmberg, Pedrali, Preform, Sedus Stoll, Thonet, Topstar, Viasit and VS Vereinigte Spezialmöbelfabriken. In addition, market leaders including Brunner, Humanscale, Interface, Koleksiyon, LD Seating and Narbutas will be presenting in this area, too.

In the Contract Solutions segment, key players such as Bielefelder Werkstätten, Blomus, Bretz, Cane line, Casala, Christine Kröncke, COR, Dedon, Ege Carpets, Framery, Freifrau, Gloster, Johanson, Kettal, Kettmaker, kvadrat, Lapalma, Muuto, Müller Möbelwerkstätten, Piure, PME 1910, Prostoria, Schönbuch, Softline, Viccarbe and Weishäupl will be present at ORGATEC 2026.

The international share of applications is once again at a very high level, comparable with 2024, and emphasises the global relevance of the trade fair. ORGATEC is thus broadcasting a clear signal: in a still demanding market environment, it remains a central platform, where trends become visible, partnerships grow and themes important for the future of the industry are advanced.

Segmentation in Workspace und Contract Solutions

For a clear structure and thematic assignment, ORGATEC will in future divide the exhibition offering into the trade fair segments of Workspace Solutions and Contract Solutions. Workspace Solutions reflects the entire bandwidth of the modern work world - from office and conference furniture through acoustic, lighting and media technology, modular work areas, room-in-room systems, ergonomic and technical workplace outfitting to solutions for hybrid and mobile work as well as innovative new work and lifestyle-oriented concepts. Contract Solutions offers holistic, functional and design-oriented interior design solutions and systems for professionally used spaces, including hotels, food service, congress and conference centres, reception, lounge and lobby areas, public buildings like administration offices and cultural institutions as well as outdoor areas like facilities, patios and



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In keeping with this, the areas of focus are also clearly located on the fair grounds: Workspace Solutions in the Northern Halls 6 to 9, Contract Solutions in Halls 4, 5 and 10 of Koelnmesse. Because the offering spectrum of many exhibitors often extends through several application areas, the segmentation serves to provide visitors with a practical framework for orientation.

Comprehensive event programme in planning

- ORGATEC Perspectives

Parallel with the hall planning, the content formats of ORGATEC 2026 are also continuing to take shape: under the title "ORGATEC Perspectives", two special events are being planned that make the two trade fair segments of Workspace Solutions and Contract Solutions experienceable - with inspiring approaches and practical impulses. The special event for the Contract Solutions section is being curated by the Berlin studio of Hanne Willmann, the special event for Workspace Solutions by the London design studio Pearson Lloyd. Both exhibitions take up the key theme of ORGATEC 2026, "From rooms to relationships: designing spaces in an ever-changing world", and translate the central themes of transition and human interaction into experienceable space concepts. The conceptual drafts are currently being formulated; more details will be announced soon.

- Wherever Whenever - Work Culture Festival

Following the successful premiere in 2024, the "Wherever Whenever - Work Culture Festival" will once again be part of ORGATEC in 2026 and returns to Halls 6 and 9. Initiated by the IBA and its member companies, a festival format will take place there with three main areas of thematic focus: "Empowered Experience", "Connected Cultures" and "Radical Impact". The focus will be on new work environments, corporate culture and collaboration as well as on the effects of sustainability, technology and AI on the work world. Participating as speakers are, among others, Dr Guzmán de Yarza Blache, Dr Peggie Rothe and Eve Wilkinson Bell. The programme is complemented by prominent voices such as Prof. Miriam Meckel.

- Danish Design Makers

The Danish Design Makers, an association of designers of various nationalities and backgrounds, linked by their close relationship with Danish design culture, will once again be represented at the leading international trade fair in 2026. Already for ORGATEC 2024, they established a format that deliberately brings together design creators with companies. With the "Embracing Age" project in the coming edition, they will show how modern design can enrich life in old age - with furniture, objects and room concepts that combine comfort, aesthetics in keeping with the times and suitability for everyday use. Around 20 designers will develop prototypes for this on the basis of a briefing; international companies from the design industry accompany the project and reinforce realisation in the direction of market and practice relevance. The results will be presented in the context of ORGATEC 2026 in Cologne.

Companies that would like to participate in the "Embracing Age" project of the Danish Design Makers can find more information under: www.orgatec.com/for-exhibitors/become-an-exhibitor/participation-opportunities/.

Sustainability initiatives for exhibitors

In the interests of a responsible trade fair concept, ORGATEC, together with TRASH GALORE and the Tafel Köln e. V. are sending a clear signal for resource conservation and social engagement. Exhibitors have the possibility to donate surplus stand construction materials to social, non-profit or creative projects via TRASH GALORE following the end of the event and to thus reduce trash and save on disposal costs. In addition, leftover food from stand catering can be donated daily to the Tafel food bank, which supports people affected by poverty in Cologne and the region. More information can be found here: www.orgatec.com/for-exhibitors/booth-construction-dismantling/nachhaltige-entsorgung/.

You can still register for ORGATEC 2026 online at: www.orgatec.com/for-exhibitors/become-an-exhibitor/.

Koelnmesse - Global Inspiration for Living, Contract and Public Spaces

Koelnmesse is the world's top trade fair organiser for the areas of Living, Contract and Public Spaces. Leading international trade fairs such as ORGATEC, interzum, FSB, aquanale and spoga+gafa come together at the Cologne trade fair location to form renowned and established industry meeting points. This strong portfolio is further enhanced by imm cologne and idd cologne, both of which are also held in Cologne. These fairs comprehensively represent the interior and design segment, the furniture and interior construction industries' supplying sections, the kitchen world, all topics for the modern working world, garden lifestyle as well as modern work environments, the garden lifestyle, public spaces, sports and leisure facilities, along with saunas, pools and wellness centres.

Beyond that, Koelnmesse is strategically expanding its portfolio in international growth markets. The imm brand family includes imm india and IFFINA+ powered by imm cologne in Indonesia. The ORGATEC brand has established a global footprint with ORGATEC Tokyo, ORGATEC India, and ORGATEC WORKSPACE Saudi Arabia. The international presence of the interzum brand extends to interzum guangzhou, interzum bogota, interzum jakarta, and the interzum forum italy. The FSB brand is also internationally active, with the FSB Sports Show Riyadh and the FSB Forum Italy in Bergamo. Furthermore, the portfolio features La Feria De Diseño Medellín powered by idd cologne in Colombia

Further information: www.orgatec.com/trade-fair/portfolio-worldwide/

The next events:

imm india - The Business Platform for Furniture and Interiors in India, New Delhi
11.03. - 14.03.2026

interzum guangzhou - Asia's Most Comprehensive Woodworking and Upholstery Machinery, Furniture Production and Interior Décor Trade Fair, Guangzhou 28.03. - 31.03.2026

interzum bogota - International Trade Fair for Technology and Components for Furniture Manufacturing and Wood Processing, Bogotá 12.05. - 15.05.2026

ORGATEC TOKYO - SHIFT DESIGN - The Leading International Trade Fair in Asia for the Modern Workspaces, Tokyo 02.06. - 04.06.2026

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