

Press release

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Cologne food fairs:

Vice President Anne Schumacher is to leave Koelnmesse at the end of February 2022

Anne Schumacher (40), Vice President Trade Fair Management Food and FoodTec at Koelnmesse, will leave the company at the end of February 2022.

"We truly regret to see her go, but of course the management team respects her personal decision for her future," says Oliver Frese, Chief Operating Officer at Koelnmesse.

Anne Schumacher joined Koelnmesse in July 2018 from international trade fair organiser UBM EMEA in Amsterdam. "Since then," Frese explains, "she has been continually developing our Food and FoodTec section." Only recently Koelnmesse announced the new Anuga HORIZON and ISM Japan for 2022, which promise to provide important prospects for the future of the food sector. Ms Schumacher has also been instrumental in integrating international trade fairs into the food portfolio and implementing global portfolio management.

Anne Schumacher: "My time at Koelnmesse was exciting and also very challenging during the pandemic. We mastered this together in the Trade Fair Management teams and with many colleagues from all sections. I would like to thank you all from the bottom of my heart and am glad to take this experience with me into my time after Koelnmesse. But until then, of course, I will continue to push full steam ahead and look forward to the upcoming food events including ISM and ProSweets Cologne next year."

The position of Vice President Trade Fair Management in the Food and FoodTec section will be filled as soon as possible.

About Koelnmesse:

Koelnmesse employs around 1000 people. As a city trade fair in the heart of Europe, it occupies the third largest trade fair grounds in Germany and, with almost 400,000 m² of hall and outdoor space, is among the top ten largest trade fair grounds in the world. Each year, Koelnmesse organises and manages around 80 trade fairs, guest events and special events in Cologne and in the most important markets all over the world. Its portfolio reaches over 54,000 exhibiting companies from 122 countries and around three million visitors from more than 200 nations. Until 2034, Koelnmesse is investing more than 700 million euro in the development of the trade fair grounds into the most extensive investment programme in its history, to allow it to cover all event formats in the future.

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