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PROGETTO FUOCO 2016 – Tenth edition

The tenth Progetto Fuoco international exhibition of wood-fired heating and energy systems and equipment will take place at Verona exhibition centre from 24 to 28 February 2016.

The first event was organized in 1999 and it has been held every two years since 2000. It is a key, unmissable date in the diary for all those in the wood-fired heating industry and the only event in the world to cover the whole cycle in the field. It has increasingly international scope and there is a growing focus on one of the most significant districts for the local economy.

Progetto Fuoco plays an invaluable role in bringing together international demand and Italian and European output (large numbers of companies from outside Italy have participated in every event). Numerous buyers are expected to attend from all of the biggest markets in the world, both traditional ones and emerging countries.

In 2014, approximately 75,000 visitors and members of the trade travelled to Progetto Fuoco from all of the regions in Italy and many countries across the globe. There is expected to be a sharp increase in the attendance figures in 2016.

The exponential growth of the event over the years is underlined by the numbers: the exhibition area will span 105,000 m² (compared to 85,000 m² in 2014 and 11,000 m² in 1999), there will be more than 750 exhibitors (marking an increase of 15% on the 653 – with 248 from outside Italy – in 2014 and 145 – with 41 from outside Italy – at the first edition in 1999), including approximately 300 non-Italian companies from 37 different countries (Austria, Belgium, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Bulgaria, Canada, China, Croatia, the Czech Republic, Denmark, Egypt, Estonia, Finland, France, Germany, Great Britain, Greece, Hungary, Ireland, Israel, Latvia, Lithuania, Malaysia, the Netherlands, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Russia, Serbia, Slovakia, Slovenia, South Korea, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Turkey and the United States).

The following product categories will be on display in seven halls and the large outdoor areas at Verona exhibition centre: modern and traditional heating equipment, boilers, pellets and firewood, pellet machines and large biomass systems, technical components and materials, and stove setting.

More specifically, Progetto Fuoco will have the following to offer: fireplaces, facings and inserts for fireplaces, hot-air and boiler stoves, pellet-burning stoves, wood-burning stoves, heat-storage stoves, wood-burning ranges, brickwork range-based heating, barbecues, fireplace accessories, firewood, pellets, logs, briquettes, firelighters,

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cleaning products, wood-chip, pellet and biomass-burning boilers, pellet burners, shredded fuel burners, turnkey systems and equipment, storage silos, pellet production and wood chopping machines, chimney pots, chimneys, flues, accessories for stove setting, refractory materials, majolica, ceramics, measuring and testing instruments, stove setting services, design and feasibility studies, and trade associations.

In recent years, more and more fireplace and stove manufacturers have been working with internationally renowned designers so that they can offer highly stylish models that reflect the latest furnishing fashions alongside their products with more traditional looks.

Thanks to a special smoke extraction system, more than 250 working products will be on display at the exhibition.

Raul Barbieri and Ado Rebuli had some noteworthy words to share:

“Progetto Fuoco is now taking place for the tenth time. Over the years, it has grown into the biggest wood-fired heating event in the world,” explained Raul Barbieri, the CEO of the event organizer Piemmeti SpA. *“There is no other event like it and its numbers are truly exceptional. There will be 750 exhibitors – including 300 from outside Italy – spread across 105,000 m² of exhibition area, with more than 250 working products thanks to a sophisticated smoke extraction system. These promising figures give us reason to hope that the number of members of the trade and visitors in attendance will top the 75,000 recorded at the last event.”*

As Ado Rebuli, the President of Piemmeti SpA, emphasized: *“These are our hopes and expectations ahead of an exhibition that has reached its tenth edition at an especially favourable time. The figures in the industry have been positive for years, bearing witness to the vitality of a field that is deservedly attracting growing attention from the energy world. Factors such as cost effectiveness, sustainability and – last but not least – easy access to incentives, paint a picture of a very positive and appealing industry and they have now been joined by outstanding performance and exceptional designs,”* added Rebuli. *“They present new, beneficial prospects for a market that is increasingly demanding when it comes to energy saving and respect for people and the environment.”*

Alongside the event, there will be a packed schedule of conventions, seminars, round tables, courses, workshops and meetings about a number of topics, as well as a competition entitled “The fireplace, the stove and all around” that is backed by the ADI Industrial Design Association.

Progetto Fuoco takes place with the support of the Italian Ministry of Economic Development, the Italian Ministry of Agricultural, Food and Forestry Policies, the Veneto Regional Authorities, Verona Provincial Council, Verona City Council and the Land, Environment, Agriculture and Forestry Department (TeSAF) at the University of Padua. It can also count on specialist collaborations with its technical partner AIEL (the Italian Agroforestry Energy Association), Anfus (the Italian Association of Stove Setters and Chimney Sweeps), Assocosma (the Italian Association of Majolica Stove Manufacturers) and all of the main trade associations.