Consulate General of India

Seminar on Make in India

As part of the India Week 2015, a day-long business event on the Make in India initiative of Government of India was held at the Chamber of Commerce, Hamburg on November 3, 2015 from 0900 hrs - 1600 hrs. The event started with welcome speeches by Dr. Hans Fabian Kruse, Chairman of the Foreign Trade Committee of the Chamber; Mr. Wolfgang Schmidt, State Secretary, Senate Chancellery, Hamburg as well as Mr. Vijay Gokhale, Ambassador of India. This was followed by presentation on Make in India (MII) as well as Make in India Mittlestand by Mr. P.S. Gangadhar, First Secretary, Embassy of India, Berlin. Mr. Peter Deubet, Deputy Director General, Indo-German Chamber of Comme rce gave an overview of how MII could be leveraged by Hamburg based companies. Dr. Jens Henkner, Director, Suzlon Energy GmbH Managing and representative Confederation of Indian Industry (CII) spoke about opportunities for German companies for partnering with Indian companies under MII. Jhaveri, Director, SKP Group elucidated on the current developments in legal and tax reforms in the context of MII. Dr. Christian Flach, CEO, Marquard & Bahls AG and Mr. Kurt Juergen Ploetner, Vice President of STULZ GmbH shared their experiences in doing business with and investing in India. In the post-lunch session, Dr. Rajnish Tiwari, Chairman of German India Round Table explained how MII would support R&D activities. In the end, a panel discussion on whether MII is a game changer for foreign investors was held which was moderated by Mr. Klaus Maier of Maier+Vidorno GmbH. Panellists included Mr. Klaus D. Koehler, Export Manager, Worlee Chemie GmbH; Mr. Panagiotis Poligensis, Associate Partner, Lufthansa Consulting Ms. Kamini Issar-Ernst, Senior Director (Germany), Federation of Indian Chambers of Commerce & Industry; Mr. Kurt Ploetner as well as Mr. P.S. Gangadhar. The programme ended with Vote of Thanks by Dr. Vidhu Nair, Consul General of India. More than 100 business people from Hamburg and nearby states attended the event.

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