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Strong Innovations and High-Value Connections: Fastener Fair Global 2025 Wraps Up Successfully

A landmark 10th edition of the International Exhibition for the Fastener and Fixing Industry, Fastener Fair Global, ended last week after three successful days at Messe Stuttgart, Germany. Around 11,000 trade visitors from 84 countries came to see the latest fastener and fixing solutions for manufacturing, construction, and industry – and they certainly had a lot to discover! This year's event placed a strong emphasis on innovation and specialist solutions, catering to virtually all industries and applications – from hardware and construction to high-tech sectors and medical products.

Fastener Fair Global 2025 brought together 1,000 leading suppliers from 40 nations, filling four extensive halls with thousands of fastener and fixing products and services, impressive equipment and live machinery. The show has expanded to 52,000sqm gross, and many exhibitors took the opportunity to design their own custom-built stands, creating a dynamic and engaging atmosphere for networking and business.

"This year's event not only had a standout look and feel – it was also buzzing with groundbreaking innovations and business opportunities, sending a bold signal of progress and growth to the market", says Stephanie Cerri, Event Director for Fastener Fair Global at RX. "We are proud to have delivered a successful event for an industry driven by innovation, investment, and global collaboration – even amidst a challenging economic climate. We are delighted by the positive feedback from the fastener and fixing community, who continue to embrace Fastener Fair Global as their international hub for networking, research, and business.

High-quality contacts across nations and markets

The event delivered massively on visitor quality, with 83% of visitors having direct or advisory decision-making responsibility. An initial analysis revealed that the primary reason for visiting the show was to network with clients and professionals, and to meet with new suppliers. Key business objectives included researching trends and analysing markets, followed by a strong interest in innovation and development. The majority of visitors were fastener or fixing distributors, suppliers, wholesalers and manufacturers.

Visitor figures further highlighted the show's strong global reach, with 61% of visitors coming from abroad. Alongside Germany, the top visitor countries in 2025 were Italy, the United Kingdom, Taiwan, Poland, China, Spain, France, the Netherlands, and Turkey – reflecting both key manufacturing nations in Europe and emerging global markets in this sector. The main visitor industries included automotive, distribution, construction and civil engineering, metal products, aerospace, mechanical and precision engineering, hardware and DIY, electronics and electrical goods, energy and power generation, installation, HVAC, plumbing and sanitary, furniture, transport and logistics, marine and shipbuilding, communication technology, agriculture, and medical devices.

Innovation power delivering real improvements

Fastener Fair Global 2025 welcomed an exciting mix of new companies alongside established global leaders. The newly introduced **Innovation and Sustainability Pavilion** in Hall 7 was well-received, showcasing pioneering fastener and fixing solutions that excelled in performance while minimising environmental impact.

Among the many innovation leaders on the exhibition stands, three companies were recognised with special awards in the **Route to Fastener Innovation Competition** which celebrates clever innovations introduced to the market within the past 24 months. Organised by media partner *Fastener + Fixing Magazine*, the prestigious award went to: Growermetal S.p.A. for their Grower Econical standard conical washers, combining outstanding lightness and performance; Böllhoff GmbH for their QUICK FLOW Plus screws, which securely join thin sheets without pre-drilling or nuts; and Bralo S.A. for their BT18N riveting tool, offering remarkable speed, high durability and reliability.

Positive visitor experience in a promising business environment

The vibrant atmosphere onsite added to a general sense of enthusiasm and achievement, with many active and meaningful conversations on the exhibition stands. Visitors were supported by a range of event tools and features, including the new Fastener Fair App to plan their show visit, the ColleqtQR Scanners for paperless networking, and special Digital Gift Bags for show-exclusive offers and services.

On the exhibitor side, suppliers commented on the high quality of visitors, which facilitated a collaborative environment for networking and business. There was a general consensus that this year's event has been vital for the fastener and fixings industry, providing a remarkable platform for innovation and technological advancement from which to move forward to future opportunities.

Looking ahead: Fastener Fair Global returns in April 2027

Following this year's success, many exhibitors have already confirmed their participation for the next edition. Fastener Fair Global 2027 will take place from 6–8 April 2027 at Messe Stuttgart, Germany.

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