

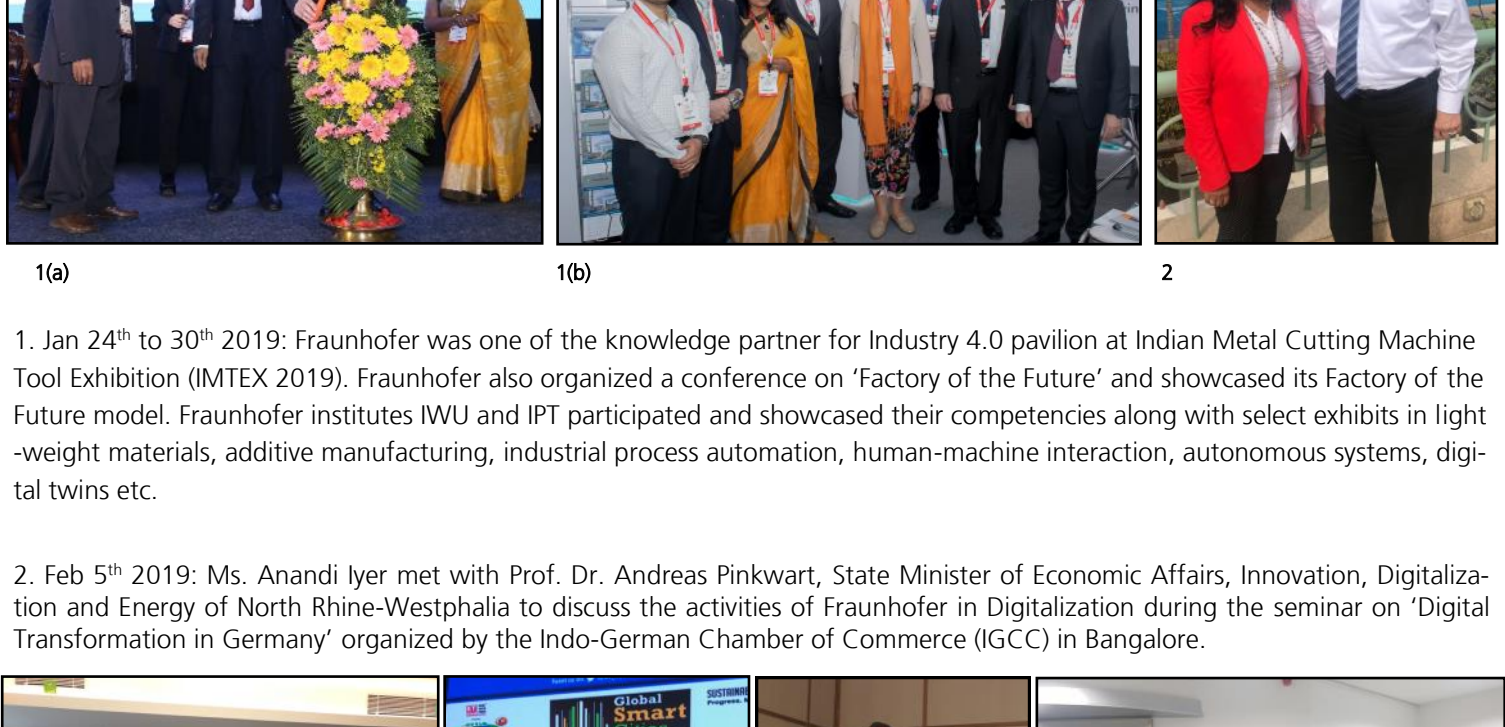
FRAUNHOFER INDIA - THE YEAR THAT WAS

The year 2019 was an exciting year for Fraunhofer Office India. Fraunhofer's model of tech-innovation-development has led to major project acquisitions and a successful Indo-German bilateral R&D cooperation that has eventually added to Fraunhofer's increased demand and overall value in the Indian market.

We would also like to look forward to the exciting opportunities that are emerging in India like Artificial Intelligence, Battery Technologies, Sustainable Building Technologies, Wastewater and Solid Waste Management Technologies, Advanced Production Technologies. We look forward to 2020 to be an even more dynamic year for Fraunhofer in India.

- Ms. Anandi Iyer, Director, Fraunhofer Office India

A quick glance: Highlights 2019



1. Jan 24th to 30th 2019: Fraunhofer was one of the knowledge partner for Industry 4.0 pavilion at Indian Metal Cutting Machine Tool Exhibition (IMTEX 2019). Fraunhofer also organized a conference on 'Factory of the Future' and showcased its Factory of the Future model. Fraunhofer institutes IWU and IPT participated and showcased their competencies along with select exhibits in light-weight materials, additive manufacturing, industrial process automation, human-machine interaction, autonomous systems, digital twins etc.

2. Feb 5th 2019: Ms. Anandi Iyer met with Prof. Dr. Andreas Pinkwart, State Minister of Economic Affairs, Innovation, Digitalization and Energy of North Rhine-Westphalia to discuss the activities of Fraunhofer in Digitalization during the seminar on 'Digital Transformation in Germany' organized by the Indo-German Chamber of Commerce (IGCC) in Bangalore.



3. Feb 18th 2019: Visit of Mr. Maximilian Trommsdorff, Fraunhofer ISE to India for the meetings with potential clients to explore cooperation for development of Agro-PV model w.r.t feasibility study and pilot projects.

4. Feb 18th 2019: Fraunhofer receives 'Global Top 51 Smart City Leaders Award' at World CSR Day in Mumbai. Fraunhofer's recent strides in Smart Cities, particularly in Kochi, Coimbatore and Solapur, were recognized by the international groups of World CSR Congress. Ms. Anandi Iyer received the award on behalf of Fraunhofer.

5. Feb 19th 2019: Mr. Aditya Fuke from Fraunhofer Office India delivered presentation on 'Smart & Sustainable Cities: Morgenstadt Approach' at Indo-German Summit on Green Building and Sustainable Energy - 'Eco-technological and Digital Solutions for Smart Cities' organized by Rajagiri School of Engineering and Technology (RSET), Kochi.

6. Mar 4th - 5th 2019: Fraunhofer Office India coordinated visit of a high-level delegation of Council of Scientific and Industrial Research (CSIR), Govt. of India to Fraunhofer Institutes IGB, IPA and IBP to identify specific research topics of mutual interest in additive manufacturing, coatings, image processing, lightweight construction technologies, functional materials, membranes, energy and water conservation and energy efficient buildings for developing collaborative R&D proposals.



7. Mar 19th - 20th 2019: Visit of Dr. Moritz Haemmerle, Fraunhofer IAO to India as a speaker in DWIH's Annual Symposium 2019 focusing on "Future of Work Lab" in the session on "Artificial Intelligence and New Working Environment".

8. Apr 3rd 2019: Visit of the delegation of Dept. of Heavy Industry (DHI), Govt. of India and delegation of Confederation of Indian Industry (CII) to Fraunhofer stand in Hannover Messe 2019 for discussions on joint activities with Fraunhofer in areas of transfer of skill, knowledge and how to successfully bring technology transfer particularly for the benefit of small and medium scale Enterprises in India.

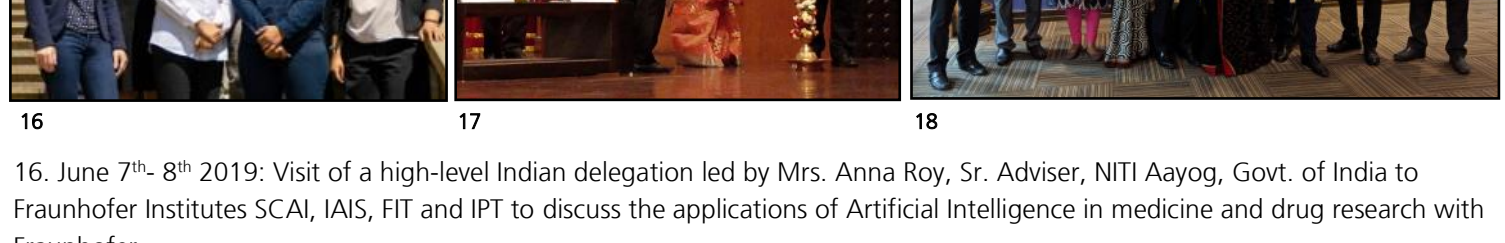
9. Apr 3rd 2019: Fraunhofer participated in 'India Invest meet—New Business and Collaboration Opportunities in India', jointly organized by Department of Heavy Industry (DHI), Govt. of India and Engineering Exports Promotion Council (IEPC) at Hannover Messe 2019. Fraunhofer presented case studies of a successful R&D cooperation resulting in Investment for India in manufacturing sector and opportunities in R&D collaboration in manufacturing in India.



10. Apr 3rd 2019: Visit of the Urban Governance Innovation Team led by Ms. Marielisa Padilla Fraunhofer IAO to Coimbatore for a workshop with Coimbatore City Municipal Corporation (CMC) and KfW to present the final results of the project "Coimbatore Smart City Innovation Lab", and solutions for improving urban mobility in Coimbatore.

11. Apr 26th - 27th 2019: Mr. Sanmati Naik from Fraunhofer Office India delivered a presentation on 'Agro-Photovoltaics: Harvesting the Sun for Power and Food' during RenewX 2019 - Conference on Renewable Energy (RE) Technologies in South India.

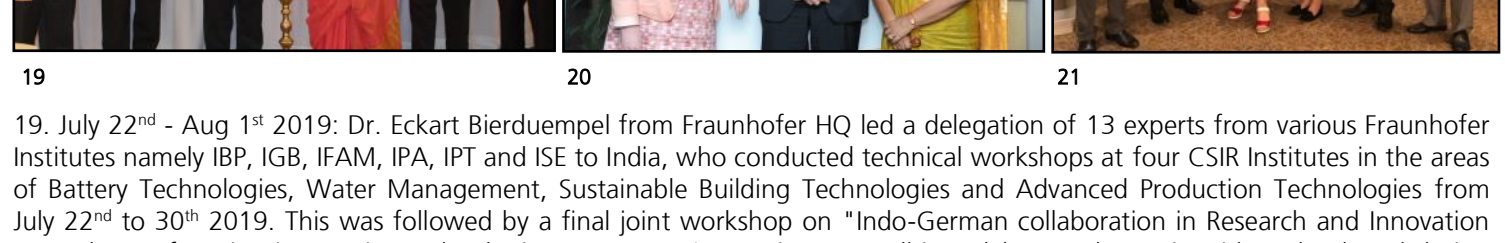
12. Apr 29th - May 1st 2019: Visit of Dr. Torben Seemann of Fraunhofer Project Centre Wolfsburg (Fraunhofer IFAM) to India as a speaker on 'Light-weight design and Electro-mobility' in the Conference 'Light Weighting' organized by Automotive Component Manufacturers Association of India (ACMA), New Delhi.



13. May 9th 2019: Visit of Dr. Marius Mohr, Fraunhofer IGB to India for stakeholders workshop with CochIn Smart Mission Ltd. (CSML), to define the sectors of focus for 'Kochi Smart City Innovation Lab' and draw out the critical areas of interventions.

14. May 14th - 16th 2019: Visit of Dr. Simon Schmidt and Mr. Andreas Kaufmann from Fraunhofer IBP to India for a workshop with real estate division of Mahan Group on cooperation in implementation of advanced sustainable building technologies and future readiness.

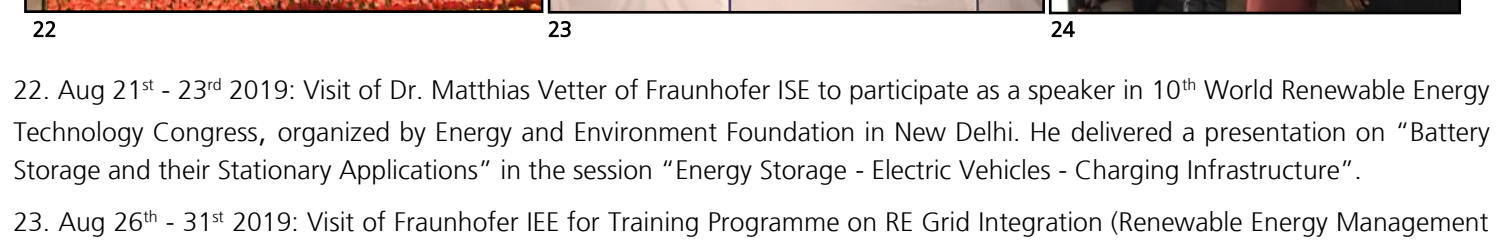
15. May 15th 2019: Mr. Aditya Fuke from Fraunhofer Office India participated in the panel discussion on 'Enabling protected business growth and customer experience' in IT-SA Conference 2019, organized by Nuremberg Messe in Mumbai.



16. June 7th- 8th 2019: Visit of a high-level Indian delegation led by Mrs. Anna Roy, Sr. Adviser, NITI Aayog, Govt. of India to Fraunhofer Institutes SCAL, IAIS, FIT and IPT to discuss the applications of Artificial Intelligence in medicine and drug research with Fraunhofer.

17. June 28th - 29th 2019: Ms. Anandi Iyer, Fraunhofer Office India delivered the inaugural address in 1st International Conference on Industry 4.0 and Advanced Manufacturing (I4AM 2019), organized by the Centre for Product Design and Manufacturing, Indian Institute of Science (IISc) Bangalore. She also participated in the panel discussion on "Policy Challenges/Opportunities in Industry 4.0 and Advanced Manufacturing".

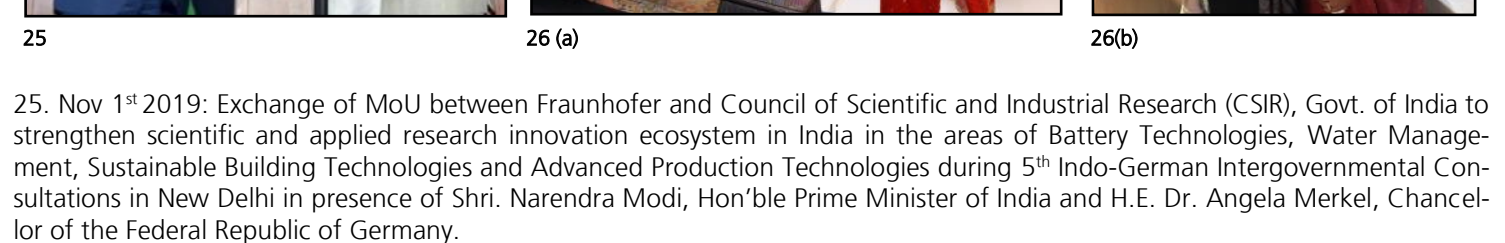
18. July 1st 2019: Visit of Mr. Frank Müller-Rosentritt - Member of Parliament-Germany to Fraunhofer Office India to understand activities of Fraunhofer in India.



19. July 22nd - Aug 1st 2019: Dr. Eckart Biedrumpf from Fraunhofer HQ led a delegation of 13 experts from various Fraunhofer Institutes namely IBP, IGB, IFAM, IPA, IPT and ISE to India, who conducted technical workshops at four CSIR Institutes in the areas of Battery Technologies, Water Management, Sustainable Building Technologies and Advanced Production Technologies from July 22nd to 30th 2019. This was followed by a final joint workshop on "Indo-German collaboration in Research and Innovation towards Leapfrogging in Frontier Technologies" on Aug 1st 2019 in New Delhi to elaborate the project ideas developed during the technical workshops held at four CSIR institutes, and present them to the Industry, Government and other stakeholders. The workshop was funded by Indo-German Science and Technology Centre (IGSTC).

20. July 23rd 2019: Visit of H.E. Mr. Walter J. Lindner, Ambassador, Embassy of the Federal Republic of Germany in New Delhi to Fraunhofer Office India to understand the activities of Fraunhofer in India and interact with some of its major Indian clients.

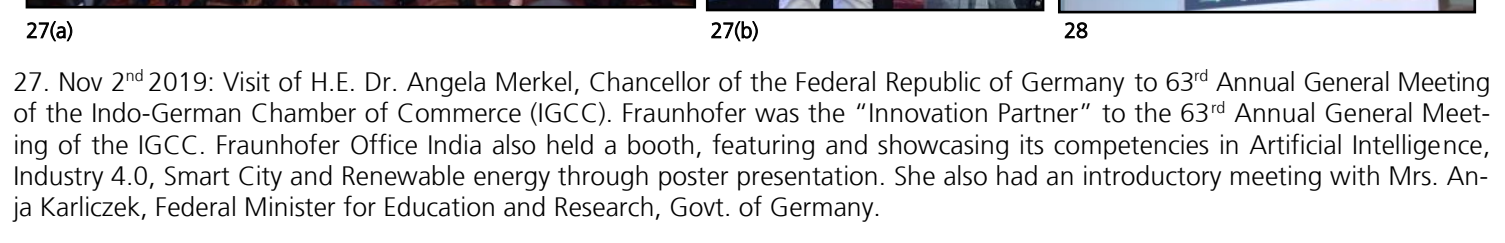
21. July 31st 2019: Mr. Sanmati Naik, Fraunhofer Office India delivered a presentation on "Fraunhofer's competencies and Institutes in NRW region", organized by NRW Invest in cooperation with VDMA India.



22. Aug 21st - 23rd 2019: Visit of Dr. Matthias Vetter of Fraunhofer ISE to participate as a speaker in 10th World Renewable Energy Technology Congress, organized by Energy and Environment Foundation in New Delhi. He delivered a presentation on "Battery Storage and their Stationary Applications" in the session "Energy Storage - Electric Vehicles - Charging Infrastructure".

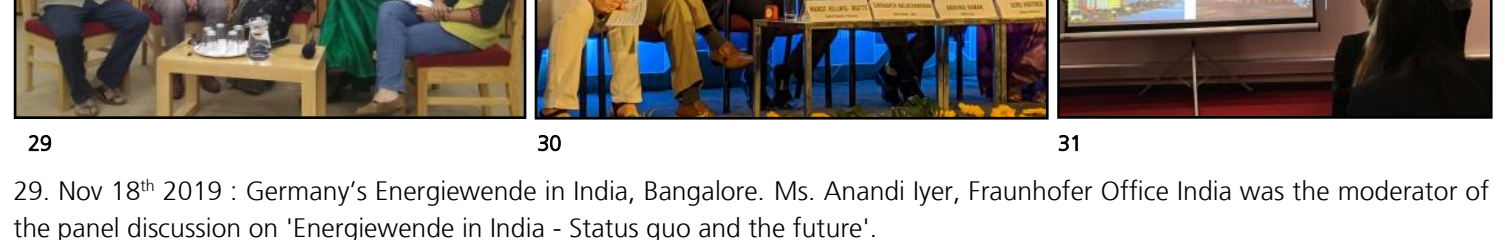
23. Aug 26th - 31st 2019: Visit of Fraunhofer IEE for Training Programme on RE Grid Integration (Renewable Energy Management Centre REMC), at National Power Training Institute (NPTI), Govt. of India under GIZ - "Technical Cooperation with India in Green Energy Corridors" project.

24. Oct 23rd - 25th 2019: Visit of Dr. Markus Schwegler and Ms. Ernesta Maciulyte from Fraunhofer IAO to CochIn Smart Mission Ltd. (CSML), Kochi to analyse the comprehensive urban development plan of Kochi, and present the key performance indicators and discuss the measures that CSML should embrace against climate change.



25. Nov 1st 2019: Exchange of MoU between Fraunhofer and Council of Scientific and Industrial Research (CSIR), Govt. of India to strengthen scientific and applied research innovation ecosystem in India in the areas of Battery Technologies, Water Management, Sustainable Building Technologies and Advanced Production Technologies during 5th Indo-German Intergovernmental Consultations in New Delhi in presence of Shri. Narendra Modi, Hon'ble Prime Minister of India and H.E. Dr. Angela Merkel, Chancellor of the Federal Republic of Germany.

26. Nov 1st 2019: Mrs. Anandi Iyer, Fraunhofer Office India representing Fraunhofer in 8th Indo German Energy Forum - Women Empowering the energy transition. During this event she also met with Mrs. Julia Kloeckner, Federal Minister for Food, Agriculture and Consumer Protection, Govt. of Germany.



27. Nov 2nd 2019: Visit of H.E. Dr. Angela Merkel, Chancellor of the Federal Republic of Germany to 63rd Annual General Meeting of the Indo-German Chamber of Commerce (IGCC). Fraunhofer was the "Innovation Partner" to the 63rd Annual General Meeting of the IGCC. Fraunhofer Office India also held a booth, featuring and showcasing its competencies in Artificial Intelligence, Industry 4.0, Smart City and Renewable energy through poster presentation. She also had an introductory meeting with Mrs. Anja Karlitzek, Federal Minister for Education and Research, Govt. of Germany.

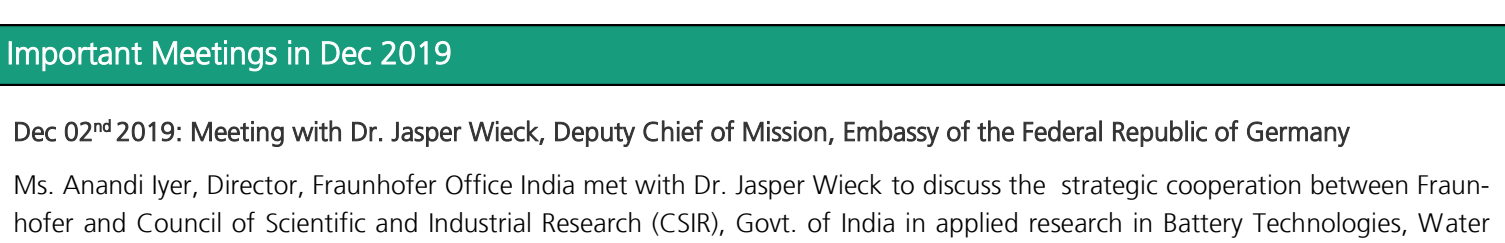
28. Nov 15th 2019: Ms. Anandi Iyer delivered a presentation on "Converting Research into Products" in the session on "Education-Research-Skills for Economic Growth" at EDU Summit - Reimagining the future of Higher Education organized by Confederation of Indian Industry (CII).



29. Nov 18th 2019: Germany's Energiewende in India, Bangalore. Ms. Anandi Iyer, Fraunhofer Office India was the moderator of the panel discussion on "Energiewende in India - Status quo and the future".

30. Nov 19th 2019: Ms. Anandi Iyer, Fraunhofer Office India participated as a speaker in a high-level panel discussion on "Artificial Intelligence – Driver of Sustainability" in Bangalore Technology Summit 2019 organized by Govt. of Karnataka.

31. Nov 18th - 19th 2019: Morgenstadt: Global Smart Cities Initiative of Fraunhofer IAO and University of Stuttgart had organized the kick-off meeting of three cities Kochi (India), Saitillo (Mexico) and Piura (Peru), which are chosen under International Climate Protection Initiative (IKI) 2017 of the German Federal Ministry for the Environment, Nature Conservation and Nuclear Safety (BMU). Delegates from CochIn Smart Mission Ltd. (CSML) and National Institute of Urban Affairs (NIUA), Govt. of India represented the city of Kochi in this meeting.



32. Nov 20th - 22nd 2019: Ms. Anandi Iyer represented Fraunhofer Office India in "Futuras in Res 2019 What's the IQ of AI?" organized by Fraunhofer HQ in Berlin. She had coordinated the participation of Prof. Padmanabhan Anandan, CEO, Wadhwani AI, who was one of the speakers in the panel on "Empathy & Human-Machine-Interaction" in this conference.

33. Nov 28th 2019: Mr. Sanmati Naik, Fraunhofer Office India participated in the panel discussion on "Potential of AgroPV in India - Opportunities for Indian Industry", organized by National Solar Energy Federation of India (NSEFI) and Indo-German Energy Forum (IGEF) during Intersolar 2019 in Bangalore.

34. Nov 29th 2019: Ms. Anandi Iyer, Fraunhofer Office India delivered a presentation on "Examples of Best Practices of successful Indo-German cooperation in India" in the conference on "Culture Fit - German and Indian SMEs", organized by Maratha Chamber of Commerce, Industries & Agriculture (MCCIA), Goethe Institute and Consulate General of Federal Republic of Germany in Mumbai.

Important Meetings in Dec 2019

Dec 02nd 2019: Meeting with Dr. Jasper Wieck, Deputy Chief of Mission, Embassy of the Federal Republic of Germany

Ms. Anandi Iyer, Director, Fraunhofer Office India met with Dr. Jasper Wieck to discuss the strategic cooperation between Fraunhofer and Council of Scientific and Industrial Research (CSIR), Govt. of India in applied research in Battery Technologies, Water Management, Sustainable Building Technologies and Advanced Production Technologies

Dec 09th 2019: Meeting with Dr. Martin Goller, Senior Scientific Officer, Federal Ministry for Education and Research (BMBF), Govt. of Germany

Ms. Anandi Iyer, Director, Fraunhofer Office India met with Dr. Martin Goller To discuss the support of BMBF through IGSTC calls for Fraunhofer - CSIR collaboration in applied research

Dec 10th 2019: 5th German Science Roundtable

The 5th German Science Roundtable was organized by German Embassy in Delhi on Indo-German Scientific Relations and current developments in the Indian Scientific Landscape. Ms. Anandi Iyer, Director, Fraunhofer office India represented Fraunhofer in this roundtable.

Dec 10th 2019: Meeting with Meeting with Anna Roy, Sr. Adviser, Niti Aayog

Ms. Anandi Iyer, Director, Fraunhofer Office India met with Ms. Anna Roy discuss next steps of Fraunhofer's proposal on Industry 4.0 to NITI Aayog and to discuss partnership with NITI Aayog for 6th Fraunhofer Innovation and Technology Platform (FIT). Focus on AI.

Dec 20th 2019: FICCI's 92nd Annual Convention on 'India: Roadmap to a \$5 Trillion Economy

FICCI Annual Convention is a flagship event where several Government Ministers, Secretaries to Govt of India, Captains of Industry, diplomats, Members from the Opposition parties and other thought leaders address this high-powered event. Ms. Anandi Iyer, Director, Fraunhofer office India and Mr. Rohit Rohilla, Manager - Production Tech represented Fraunhofer at this event and participated in annual voting process as a member for selection of National Executive Committee Members of FICCI for the year 2020 – 2021

Upcoming: Outlook 2020

Jan 13th 2020: Visit of Dr. Joerg Kuhnert, Fraunhofer ITWM to Fraunhofer Office India

During Dr. Kuhnert's visit, Fraunhofer Office India is organizing a workshop on Numerical Simulation with Indian Industry in Bangalore at Fraunhofer Office India.

Jan 13th - 24th 2020: On-site assessment in Kochi

Project coordination team of Fraunhofer IAO of the project 'Kochi Smart City Innovation Lab' would be visiting Kochi to conduct city analysis and interview some key stakeholders.

Jan 23rd - 28th 2020: Indian Metal Forming Exhibition (IMTEX) 2020, Bangalore

Indian Metal Forming Exhibition (IMTEX) is organized by Indian Machine Tool Manufacturers' Association (IMTMA) in Bangalore. IMTEX is a flagship event for the Indian metal cutting industry organized once a year. It is South and South East Asia's apex exhibition showcasing the latest trends as well as technological refinements from India and other global players. The mega event attracts visitors from a wide spectrum of manufacturing and ancillary industries including key decision and policy makers as well as industry captains who are keen to source latest technologies and manufacturing solutions for their product lines. For the last 6 years, Fraunhofer has been showcasing its capabilities in Lightweight technologies in Automotive components, forming technology and additive manufacturing along with select exhibits at IMTEX, and every year, Fraunhofer has received a constructive reciprocation for its capabilities from the organizers IMTMA. This will be an ideal platform for various Fraunhofer institutes to present their Industry 4.0 / AI topics and showcase exhibits in the areas of industrial processes, human-machine interaction, autonomous systems, digital twins etc. For more details about the event, please click >>> [here](#)

Feb 20th 2020: Large Industry 4.0 Summit - Organised by Maratha Chamber of Commerce, Industries & Agriculture (MCCIA), Pune

Feb 17th - 18th 2020: Visit of Mr. Michael Kasper, Head of Cyber-Security, Fraunhofer Singapore to Fraunhofer Office India

During Mr. Kasper's visit, Fraunhofer Office India is coordinating meetings for him with major IT companies.

Mar 2nd - 8th 2020: Visit of Dr. Markus Wolpertinger, Director, Fraunhofer IGB to India

Dr. Markus Wolpertinger will visit Pune, Mumbai and New Delhi for business meetings with high-level potential clients. He will also participate as a speaker in International Business Summit - Organised by Maratha Chamber of Commerce, Industries & Agriculture (MCCIA) on Mar 2nd 2020 in Pune.

Mar 18th 2020: Meeting of the German Organizations in Bangalore, hosted by Invest in Bavaria

Apr 24th - 25th 2020: RenewX 2020, Hyderabad

RenewX intends to accelerate the growth of the South Indian Renewable Energy Industry and contribute to the country's sustainable economic development. RenewX will provide an excellent platform for organisations to capitalise and penetrate this lucrative market. The event will bring together stakeholders from the sector and will help set a growth agenda for the future.

For more details about the event, please click >>> [here](#)

Apr 25th - 28th 2020: Hannover Messe 2020

Activities of Fraunhofer Office India in Hannover Messe 2020 tbc. *

Apr 28th - 30th 2020: WINDENERGY India 2020, New Delhi

WINDENERGY India 2020 is organized by Indian Wind Turbine Manufacturers Association (IWMA) and PDA Trade Fairs Pvt Ltd, the 3-day trade fair and conference will provide a vibrant platform to meet, interact and engage with policymakers, regulatory authorities, international and domestic technology, solutions and service providers from the wind power industry.

About

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Aug 2020: 6th Fraunhofer Innovation and Technology Platform (FIT), Bangalore



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The Flagship event of the Fraunhofer – Fraunhofer Innovation and Technology Platform (FIT), held once in every two years focuses on different thematic fields and showcases Fraunhofer's cutting edge technologies, innovations and futuristic solutions, and is typically attended by more than 200 delegates from India and abroad. It is conceptualised to draw attention to the topics of relevance in the field of research and innovation, engage and in constructive dialogue with Indian Industry, Government and Research Institutes to find solutions for challenges in these areas. The 6th FIT Platform will focus on Artificial Intelligence across Healthcare, Agriculture, Education, Smart Cities & Infrastructure and Smart Mobility & Transportation, and catalyse collaboration in this very important field between India and Germany.



Sept 9th - 12th 2020: The 3rd Global RE-Invest, New Delhi

The 3rd Global RE-INVEST Renewable Energy Investors Meet & Expo, organised by the Ministry of Renewable Energy (MNRE), Government of India. It is a platform for International Solar Alliance (ISA) Partnership and New and Renewable Energy Investors Meet and Expo. The 3rd Global RE-Invest will also host the Second Meeting of the ISA Assembly and the ASEAN Ministerial Meet. For more details about the event, please click >>> [here](#)

Sept 23rd - 25th 2020: Renewable Energy India (REI) Expo, New Delhi

Over the years, REI has been established as the most comprehensive, reputed and Asia's largest expo in this domain where the green community congregates to discuss the trends, addresses challenges and showcases the best and most innovative technological solutions available to overcome them.

For more details about the event, please click >>> [here](#)

Dec 15th - 17th 2020: Intersolar India 2020, Mumbai

Intersolar is the world's leading exhibition & conference series for the solar industry. As part of this event series, Intersolar India in Mumbai is India's most pioneering exhibition and conference for India's solar industry. It takes place annually and has a focus on the areas of photovoltaics, PV production and solar thermal technologies.

For more details about the event, please click >>> [here](#)

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