

Plastimagen México – Herbold Meckesheim records restraint in the field of recycling

On an area of around 34,000 square meters, 480 companies from 23 nations presented themselves at the Plastimagen in Mexico City. The industrial show is considered the flagship fair of the plastics industry in Latin America. Among a total of 13 pavilions, eleven of them country-specific, Europe in particular was strongly represented. Ten rounds of presentations and two days of workshops rounded off the trade fair program. From shredders to robots, the approximately 22,000 visitors from 35 countries were introduced to many aspects of plastics processing and recycling.

Herbold Meckesheim presented itself in the German pavilion and was actively supported by its Mexican representation. After the pandemic-related restrictions of the past two years, industry and sector representatives, cooperation partners and customers flocked to the booth, all the more delighted to learn about the latest technological developments of the Meckesheim-based machinery manufacturer with a view to recycling plants and machine solutions. Especially washing plants, granulators and pulverizers were in the focus of interest.

Although the trade fair reports a "historic level of pre-sales", a certain restraint can also be felt in the Latin American region. While investment decisions in Europe are influenced by the military conflict on the continent, in Latin and South America the lack of raw materials and primary products, far from the price development, determines the situation.

It fits in with the efforts of the recyclers that the Plastimagen has set itself the goal of producing no plastic waste. Thus, 18 tons of plastic waste have been collected so far to be sent to a recycling plant. Plastimagen México 2023 is again scheduled at Centro Citibanamex in Mexico City for November 7-10. Herbold Meckesheim has made a firm note of the date.



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Herbold Meckesheim is leading recycling specialist for the plastics industry. Worldwide, the plants ensure that plastic waste is reduced through recycling. Both the pure waste from the plastics processing industry and used, mixed and contaminated plastics are processed. Machines from Herbold Meckesheim are also used in the fine grinding of plastic granulates and waste or in the waste processing, raw material recovery and material preparation of various industrial processes. Another special feature is the development of the machines in the company's own pilot plant. Herbold Meckesheim is today managed in the fourth generation by Karlheinz and Werner Herbold. More than 220 employees at the headquarters and the staff of the international agencies accompany machines that are custom-made to fit the requirements from the conception stage through commissioning to the end of their commercial use.

Figure 1: A warm welcome at the Herbold Meckesheim booth. Photo: Herbold Meckesheim

Figure 2: From 23 nations presented 480 companies themselves at the Plastimagen in Mexico City. Photo: Herbold Meckesheim