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# MIFB 2016 PROVED TO BE A **VALUABLE TRADING GROUND** WITH EXCEPTIONAL OPPORTUNITIES

The Malaysian International Food & Beverage (MIFB) Trade Fair was held on 27 - 29 July 2016 at Kuala Lumpur Convention Centre, Malaysia. Since its debut 17 years ago, MIFB has continuously provided an ideal sourcing ground for the F&B industry players and rooted its name in the industry as the Leading Food and Beverage Trade Fair.

This year saw another great show with MIFB 2016 achieving growth both in terms of exhibitor participation as well as geographical locations from where they originated. MIFB 2016 featured 494 companies from 40 nations, which contributed to a 35% increase as compared to MIFB 2015.

This year marked the second year where MIFB saw a "Fully Trade Show." This was evident with the remarkable trade turnout of 18,043 trade visitors from 58 nations which shows a 19% increase from the previous show. A total of 110 International and Local Buyers were invited and hosted, generating 1,151 business connections through MIFB Business Matching Programme





### MIFB 2016 EXHIBITORS' TESTIMONIALS

**f f** They said...

"MIFB is the Best F&B fair that Tremich has ever participated! The business matching programme has helped us to zero in the correct target buyers and we were able to pre-schedule meetings with the buyers to explore further. We do look forward to participate in MIFB 2017!"

Yong Chee Hau Head of Marketing of Tremich Coffee, Malaysia "MIFB has been able to bring in visitors of good quality and it is definitely a good platform for new product launching. Overall MIFB is doing great and we are definitely looking forward to participate in MIFB again!"

Martin Runshaug Managing Director of Scan-Food Pte Ltd (King's Candy), Singapore "MIFB did very well this year! We were too busy in the booth that we did not even have enough time to speak to the organiser and even some of the visitors. We will certainly come back again next year and we would recommend MIFB to our friends as well!"

Max Fong Director of Antswork Communications Sdn Bhd, Malaysia "Korea Fishery Trade Association (KFTA) brought 10 companies into MIFB to promote Korean high quality seaf-ood. We are very satisfied with the buyers' quality and it was of a very good experience. We were able to learn more about the current market through the meetings with the buyers."

Park Kyu Tae Assistant Manager of Korea Fishery Trade Association, South Korea



#### **EXHIBITORS' FEEDBACK**

#### **OBJECTIVES OF PARTICIPATING IN MIFB 2016**

**33%** To survey market situation

51% To penetrate new markets

**36%** To promote presence in the region

28% To launch new products/services

51% To generate new leads

42% To contact trade buyer/customer

14% To seek joint venture partners

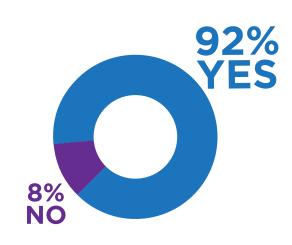
39% To seek agents/distributors

11% To support local agents

11% To service existing clients/market

**3%** Others

#### WAS THEIR OBJECTIVE(S) MET?



#### **QUALITY AND QUANTITY OF MIFB 2016 TRADE VISITORS**

**16%** 

53% Good 29% Satisfactory

**2%**Unsatisfactory

#### THEIR RATING OF MIFB 2016

18% Excellent

**57%**Good

24% Satisfactory 1% Unsatisfactory



**GROSS AREA** 



Hosted VIP Buyers

**EXHIBITORS** 

494
SEXHIBITORS
GROWTH Group Pavilions

> 4 Nations

TRADE VISITORS 18,043 19% Trade Visitors

TRADE VALUE DISCUSSED

#### **KEY BUYERS AT MIFB 2016**

- JAKE'S CHARBROIL STEAKS

  JOHNNY'S RESTAURANT

  JW MARRIOTT HOTEL, KUALA LUMPUR

  KAMPACHI RESTAURANTS SDN BHD

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and many more!

# **f** What the **Key Buyers** and **Visitors** said...

"MIFB did very well and the potential is more than what we assumed before we visited. We are already in the process of ordering with some of the exhibitors!"

Gokhan Karagoz Foreign Trade Manager of Natur Gida San.Tic.Ltd., Turkey

"MIFB is an ideal sourcing ground for us to search for both local and international products/services. It is one of the most organised and attentive buyer programmes that I have attended globally! We are expecting a bigger MIFB next year with more exhibitors from all over the world."

Purchasing/Marketing Manager of Aiking Trading Co Sdn Bhd, Brunei

"MIFB's Hosted Buyer Programme has provided us a platform to search and pre-schedule meetings with both local and international exhibitors. We would like to thank the organiser for this golden opportunity and taking time to facilitate the meetings during MIFB."

Sufeeya Sama-ae Business Manager, Muslim Food of Siam Makro Públic Company Limited,

"MIFB is probably one of the best shows for companies looking at sourcing top quality Malaysian products. We met a lot of good companies. Great show!"

Girish Bajaj Director of Pegasus Group, India

"The organiser provided a good service! We managed to gain a lot of market information from this exhibition and we certainly would want to visit MIFB again in the future."

Kristal Wai Manager of Sure Touch Sdn Bhd, Malaysia

"MIFB did good! Keep up the good work to bring in more and more exhibitors and visitors in the future!"

Jimmy Lo Manager of PT Karya Kencana Sumber Sari, Indonesia

"MIFB is an overall good show. There is a lot of different variety in terms of products and services. It would be even better if the organiser could bring in more processing / machinery-related vendors next year."

Dr R. V. Gandhi Director of Banamin Healthcare LLP, India



### MIFB 2016 VISITORS' TESTIMONIALS

#### **VISITORS' FEEDBACK -**

#### **REASONS FOR VISITING MIFB 2016**

13% To compare technology/product side by side in action

21% To source for a specific equipment/ machinery/technology

To network and make new contacts 43%

12% To source for a technology partner

13% To get answers to my products question(s)

To see new developments in the industry 45%

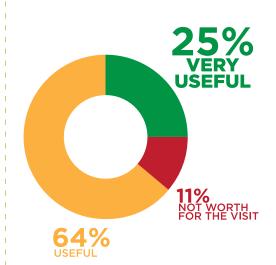
To meet existing/new suppliers(s) 46%

> 13% To finalise an on-going purchase/procurement

> > 27% To purchase equipment

**Others:** Academic visit; Attend conference; Buy companies; Find importers; Sales/selling our product/find buyers & importers; To do survey/market research; To evaluate F&B market; Training & development





THEIR INVOLVEMENT IN THE COMPANIES' **PURCHASING DECISIONS** 

#### MAIN AREA OF INTEREST

9.71% Snack Food

10.65% Seafood

**3.55%** Preserved Products

**16,26%** Meats Packaging Equipment / Materials

11.37% Organic and Health Product

8,53% Oils, Fats & Sauces

26,25% Halal Food

14,62% Grocery Products

23.37% Frozen Food

20,31% Fresh / Dried Fruits & Vegetables

29.22% Food Processing Equipment/ Materials Food

**30.70%** Food Ingredients

21<sub>8</sub>1% Dairy Products

17.13% Convenience Food

23,82% Confectionery, Biscuits & Pastries

**30,27%** Coffee & Tea

18.33% **Canned Products** 

Beverages 44.27%

#### **BUSINESS NATURE**

4.29%

12.69% Restaurant/Cafés

Manufacturer 17.32%

10.36% Importer/Exporter

4.09% Hospitality

2.34% Government

10.40%

Retailer/Hyper/Supermarket/ Grocery/Convenience Store

12.12%

Distributor

0.62% Delicatessen

1.17% Club/Bar

**2.66%** Caterer

**1.41%** Butcher

10,45%

Bakery

10.08%

Others



### MIFB 2016 Opening Ceremony

On 27 July 2016, the **17<sup>th</sup> Malaysian International Food and Beverage Trade Fair (MIFB 2016)** was officiated by Yang Berhormat Dato' Seri Ong Ka Chuan, Minister II of International Trade & Industry of Malaysia.

Chairman of Sphere Exhibits Malaysia Sdn Bhd (SEM), Mr. Chua Wee Phong, in his opening remarks said that the industry is well aware of the numerous challenges and business sustainability issues in the Food & Beverage markets. However the demand for high quality food retailing services, rising global population and increased consumer spending will drive the F&B market to a higher level. As such, SEM is currently in talks with partners to design a common network platform between food suppliers and industry players, to enhance MIFB with the latest technology, expertise and solution. With all the initiatives and programmes such as Buyers Programme and Business Matching in the pipeline, the coming MIFB is set to be a larger trade show showcasing an even wider variety of F&B products.

A keynote address, delivered by YB Dato' Seri Ong Ka Chuan, highlighted that MIFB offers an excellent avenue for Malaysian business associations to connect with their counterparts from around the world, where such networking can help in enhancing knowledge and further promote the growth of the local F&B industry. With Malaysia's growth in imports and exports of numerous food sectors and halal industry, the government will continue the prudent and pragmatic policies that have seen Malaysia's economy maintain its steady growth despite the uncertainties of the global economic environment. The annual hosting of MIFB is a complement to the Government's effort towards boosting Malaysia's competitiveness in international trade through the production of high value-added goods and services.

There was also a token presentation ceremony to MIFB's invited participants for their contribution to the success of MIFB 2016. The Opening Ceremony was then followed by an exhibition tour of YB Dato' Seri Ong Ka Chuan to the exhibition halls to meet the exhibitors.



## **ACTIVITY HIGHLIGHTS**

### BUSINESS MATCHING PROGRAMME

2<sup>nd</sup> year since the debut of this business matching programme, MIFB has facilitated more than 2,000 business connections, generated through the Online Business Matching Platform. This programme aims to bring buyers and exhibitors together under one roof to explore businesses before, during and even after MIFB. The meeting sessions are dedicated to assist buyers source, identify and expand local & international product portfolio through the online platform. MIFB 2016 has generated 1,151 business connections through this programme, which resulted in meetings realised during the fair.



### INTERNATIONAL & LOCAL BUYERS PROGRAMME

MIFB 2016 Buyers Programme is an initiative brought by the organiser to facilitate global networking between buyers and exhibitors for quality sessions of product sourcing, knowledge sharing and discovery of potential business prospects. A total of 110 International and Local Buvers were invited and hosted, including Aiking Trading (Brunei), Excel Foods (Middle East), Garming Marine Product - Sunway Group (Hong Kong), Pegasus Imports (India), Pulmentum (Thailand), Safco International (Middle East), Siam Makro (Thailand), AEON Big (Malaysia), Berjaya Hotels & Resorts (Malaysia), Concorde Hotel (Malaysia), Fraser & Neave Holdings (Malaysia), Sunway Berhad (Malaysia) and many more. MIFB is delighted to receive positive feedbacks from the buyers where they found the exhibition to be an ideal sourcing ground, expecting an estimated trade value of at least USD 360 million taking place,



#### MALAYSIA SIPHONIST CHAMPIONSHIP

The very first Malaysia Siphonist Championship, co-organised by the recognised coffee education specialist, Barista Guild Asia (BGA) was held on 27 and 28 July 2016 (1st and 2nd day of MIFB 2016). Siphon coffee is one of the artistic brewing methods which was invented in the 1840s by a French housewife and Scottish marine engineer. It has been refined many times, with a few principles hold true: it produces a delicate, tea-like cup of coffee; one of the coolest brew methods available. In this championship, the contestants prepared 4 blended siphon coffees and 4 original signature beverages in 15 minutes. The winner of this championship will be representing Malaysia to participate in the World Siphonist Championship (WSC) in KINTEX, Seoul, South Korea on 9 October 2016.











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#### **MIFB 2016 ENDED ON A VERY** SUCCESSFUL NOTE.

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