

Visitor Attendance at Frigair 2015 Sets New Record

For three days, Gallagher was a hive of activity as visitors gravitated towards a spectacular showcase of the latest in airconditioning, ventilation, refrigeration and auxiliary services.

The Frigair 2015 Expo held in halls 5 & 6 at Gallagher, had 3900m² of exhibition space with 140 exhibitors and meeting rooms with ongoing programs. Exhibits were of a high standard and in a matter of only three days and under one roof, visitors viewed most major brandnames of air conditioning units, specialised air handling units, mobile racking, cold room panelling, refrigerated vending units, transport refrigeration systems, racks for all refrigerants and CO₂, air movement products, packaged ammonia



Trevor Holcroft (Serco) at breakfast to launch the Cold Link Africa newspaper

systems, refrigerants, components, controls, high speed doors and a wide choice of compressors and components.

Contractors, property owners, hospitals, supermarket owners and cold store operators networked with exhibitors and

fellow visitors to gain insight to the latest trends in energy saving, control technology, training courses and refrigerants for the future.

With many old acquaintance meeting and new contacts forged with local and international visitors and exhibitors, the atmosphere was vibrant with much camaraderie.

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The many side events drew equal attention with large participation. The four ASHRAE workshops were filled to capacity with many more wanting to attend.

The refrigerant workshop with presenters from the DEA, UNIDO and SAQCC Gas, was well supported and generated lively debate.

GIZ had meetings with role players in their refrigerated transport project and Willy Loffler gave an update on the F gas regulations in the EU.

SAIRAC National Council held their quarterly meeting on the Friday morning and



A trio from different sectors (l to r) Ian Roelofse (System Air), Roy Naidoo (Danfoss) and Graham Conway (Phoenix Racks)



The IMD group at the media breakfast on the Wednesday morning (l to r) Graham Langmed, Rory MacNamara, Paul Sykes, and Ilana Koeeglenberg



Friends met from across the globe. Kjell Svensson, Jared Smith, Jimmy Martin and Carne Svensson



They called themselves the good, bad and ugly (not sure in which order) (l to r) Michael Schaefer, Karst Bakker and Denny Rademeyer

socialised with members on the Thursday afternoon on their stand.

Many comments by visitors and exhibitors bore testimony to the success of the Frigair Exhibition 2015. "The number of visitors and quality of visitors exceeded expectations", Gavin Dix, HC Equipment.

"We are very happy about the interest shown in our range of products and door systems", Bram Janssen, Maxiflex.

"With so many visitors we just couldn't keep pace with our offering of cupcakes", Allan Russel, GMC.

Change in Venue Welcomed

"The Expo was well attended and well organised. I was also surprised at how active the market is and the many innovative ideas that are being offered", Dawie Kriel, Energy Partners

"Frigair 2015 was generally good, certainly much better than previous shows with much more interest and visitors. What was disappointing was that most of the contractors were already known to us. We were also hoping for more visitors from other African countries. Organised trade delegations would certainly help," David Mackay, Eurocool

"The change of venue to Gallagher has been a great success and gave Frigair a much improved image", Piet le Roux, LRX Marketing, Port Elizabeth.

"Impressive display and effort with regards to exhibitors stands. This certainly played a part in attracting a broad interest from key individuals within our industry. Encouraging to see the trends in the entire industry taking energy saving concepts and products into account. This again proving the first cost is not always the deciding factor when selecting equipment. Overall a good attendance was evident, indicating not only a healthy but active industry," Steven Friedmann, ebmpapst. 



The refrigerant workshop was well attended and lively