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# IVS WARM-UP, THE SCIENTIFIC DIALOGUE SPACE ON INDUSTRIAL VALVES AND COMPONENTS, WRAPS UP



Over a thousand experts and industry professionals have gathered from all over the world during fifteen online conferences, waiting to meet live at IVS 2022

**IVS WARM-UP**, the two-day event of technical and scientific conferences allowing the players in the global supply chain of industrial valves and components to meet in virtual mode and discuss the most topical and innovative issues in the international debate, has ended. The epicentre of the digital conferences was the city of Bergamo, where the fourth edition of IVS – Industrial Valve Summit will be held on 25th and 26th May 2022.

Twenty-five speakers, representing as many companies and research centres, led the fifteen conferences of the event attracting, «remotely», over a thousand operators and experts from all continents to Bergamo. Numbers confirming the credit and centrality that the Industrial Valve Summit represents within the supply chain dedicated to the industrial valve and flow control solutions. The event, promoted by the organisers Confindustria Bergamo and Ente Fiera Promoberg, was organised in collaboration with Valve Campus that has always been the scientific partner of reference of IVS.

«The success of IVS WARM-UP confirms the importance of creating connections and stimulating scientific discussion and insights, maintaining the attention on a key event that promotes a supply chain of excellence, an international point of reference for quality production – says Paolo Piantoni, General Manager of *Confindustria Bergamo* -. Conferences have confirmed the value of IVS as a place to exchange knowledge and know-how even in the digital edition. Over the years, IVS has been an important driver of innovation for the sector, embodying the identity of a territory oriented towards development and projected onto the future. We are already working on the 2022 edition of IVS that will be held at the Exhibition centre at last, a great opportunity to revitalise the industry and Ente Fiera Promoberg».

«We are satisfied with the results of IVS WARM-UP», explains Fabio Sannino, President of Ente Fiera Promoberg. «The success of the digital conferences gives us hope for the success of the actual physical event in 2022. Over the years, the summit has positioned itself as our most international and visited event. To open the doors of the Fiera di Bergamo to IVS once again is a crucial step for the relaunch of the entire trade fair system, for Bergamo and for its industrial fabric. Confirming the numbers recorded in the last editions means generating considerable linked activities in favour of the territory, also in terms of visibility».

Back to the topics of the conferences, four different debates marked the event's programme. Wednesday morning was dedicated to innovation in valve design, control, manufacturing, and materials. In the afternoon, the discussion moved to the management of fugitive emissions and developments in sealing technology. On Thursday, the focus was on actuators and control systems, followed by a discussion on the international standards. At the end, IVS WARM-UP hosted a panel discussion shedding light on the evolution of the global demand for industrial valves and their components in the medium term. On this occasion, participants analysed the influence of the energy transition and new strategies following the pandemic scenario.

In view of IVS 2022, the aim of the Organizers is to continue the growth path of the exhibition as witnessed by the increasing number of visitors, exhibitors and traffic on communication channels. The third edition of the summit attracted over 250 companies and about 11,000 visitors to Bergamo, numbers 36% higher than the 8,000 registered in the 2017 edition and tripled compared to the 3,500 registered in 2015. Access to the fair's website quadrupled in the months leading up to the exhibition, moving from 70,000 in 2017 to 300,000 in 2019.

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