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Ten Years of SHK MOSCOW – International Trade Fair for Sanitation, Heating, Air Conditioning and Building Automation:

Leading Trade Show for Building and Energy Technology presents itself in best form on its anniversary

Since it was founded in 1997, the SHK MMOSCOW – International Trade Fair for Sanitation, Heating, Air Conditioning and Building Automation – has established itself as the leading platform in the industry in Russia. It is a meeting place for all who value high-quality information on the Russian construction industry and investment projects, and who would like to talk directly to the top decision-makers in the industry. For its ten-year anniversary, the trade fair is presenting itself in top form: around 300 exhibitors will be taking part in SHK MOSCOW 2006 from May 22 to 25 in Moscow's SAO Expocentr/Krasnaya Presnya Exhibition Center, and displaying their products on more than 8,500 sqm of net exhibition space. Messe Düsseldorf, which is organizing the fair together with its subsidiary, Messe Düsseldorf Moskau, is again figuring on around 12,000 visitors.

SHK MOSCOW is being supported by its seasoned partners EHI – the Association of the European Heating Industry, BDH – Bundesindustrieverband Haus-, Energie- und Umwelttechnik (the German Federal Association for Building, Energy and Environmental Technology), FGK – Fachinstitut Gebäude-Klima (the German Professional Institute of Air-Conditioning in Buildings), ABOK - the Russian Association of Engineers for Heating, Ventilation, Air-Conditioning, Heat Supply and Building Thermal Physics, APIK – the Association of Professionals in the Air-Conditioning Industry, and the city of Moscow. For the first time, ASHRAE - the American Society of Heating, Refrigerating and Air-Conditioning Engineers, will also have a booth at the trade fair.

The exhibitors at SHK MOSCOW 2006 come from sixteen countries. Apart from Russian companies, who will be covering a net space of around 4,000 sqm, German contractors above all will be making a strong showing; 74 companies will be presenting their innovations on around 2,800 sqm. Thus the participation of German businesses, which is being officially promoted by the Federal Ministry for Economics and Technology, will reach its highest level so far.

In addition, exhibitors from Belgium, China, Finland, Great Britain, Italy, Canada, Poland, Switzerland, Slovakia, Slovenia, the Czech Republic, Turkey, Ukraine and Hungary want to take advantage of the chances offered by the growing Russian market. Overall, these countries will take up 1,400 square meters of exhibition space – thereby doubling the international participation in SHK MOSCOW in the past four years!

The focal point of the offerings at SHK MOSCOW 2006 will be heating and air conditioning technology, instrumentation, drive and control technology, cybernetics and central building control systems, sanitation technology and fittings, environmental technology, tools and workshop facilities. The target groups of SHK MOSCOW are the representatives of construction companies and consultancy firms, engineers, architects, plumbers, craftsmen and retailers.

Many attractive fringe events will be running parallel to the trade fair, such as the Cold Climate Conference and the tenth EHI/ABOK technical Symposium.

The Cold Climate Conference, the Fifth International Conference on Cold Climate - Heating, Ventilation and Air-Conditioning, is going to be held for the first time in Moscow and parallel to SHK MOSCOW. This professional conference, at which experts discuss the latest

technologies for energy-saving building services engineering, is being organized by the ABOK.

The professional symposium of the association of the European heating industry, EHI, and the Russian central association, ABOK, is held annually to accompany SHK MOSCOW. It regularly draws several hundred experts from all parts of the Russian Federation and its motto this year is "Modern HVAC Systems - the Technologies of Intelligent Building".

Nearly parallel to SHK MOSCOW 2006 at the Krasnaya Presnya Exhibition Center, the metal and pipe trade fairs Metallurgy-Litmash, Tube Russia, Aluminum/Non-Ferrous (May 23 -26) and the machine tool fair METALLOBRABOTKA are going to be held. Access to these ultramodern fair grounds in the Russian capital has now become yet more convenient thanks to a new Metro station on the banks of the Moskva River.

Further information on the trade fair can be found at www.shk-online.com.

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