

AMR 2024 takes on sustainable development trends in China's automotive aftermarket

Tianjin, 19 February 2024. China's Ministry of Commerce and eight other departments issued the 'Guiding Opinions' in October 2023, putting forward a plan to accelerate the implementation of nationwide standards for NEV maintenance technologies and green repair¹. As a veteran platform for sourcing in the automotive aftermarket, the Auto Maintenance and Repair Expo (AMR) will face up to environmental and sustainable trends currently dominating developments in the industry. This includes showcasing innovative technologies, products and services across the show floor and value-added events. This show will take place from 20 to 23 March 2024 at the National Convention and Exhibition Center (Tianjin).

Next month's show is expected to attract more than 1,200 exhibitors from around the world, showcasing products across eight halls in an exhibition space of 100,000 sqm. As the mainstay of AMR, the Repair and Maintenance sector will offer expansive coverage of the aftermarket with leading domestic and overseas exhibitors including the likes of Anche, Anest Iwata, Balance, Beissbarth, Besita, Corwei, Dali, FABIT, Goodyear, Haide, Ingersoll Rand, Kahe, Nexion, Nussbaum, Mahle, RAV, Tektino, THINKCAR, THREE EXCEL, Torin, Yonghengfeng and Zhongli.

The fair will also give more prominence to the Parts and Components sector in line with China's rapidly growing market needs for electronic, intelligent, lightweight components and NEV components. The sector will occupy over 40,000 sqm across Halls S11, S12 and S13. In fact, more than 600 leading exhibitors such as ADD, eBay, Changli, Feier, Gold, Luoshi, ODM, Ruili, Ruiming, Xintian, Yihong, Yuhuan Jinli and Zhongding have already confirmed to participate.

Green Repair & New Energy zone advancing the green automotive aftermarket

China is actively promoting green consumption in a number of spaces including the automotive market, which is also shifting the aftermarket towards green and low carbon development. With this in mind, the returning Green Repair & New Energy zone (Hall S16) will be key in emphasising the value of sustainability in the repair sector. With an exhibition space of 4,000 sqm for a skills contest, forum, training and independent showcasing, the zone aims to encourage innovative eco-friendly practices. It will focus on maintenance technologies, equipment and materials, as well as products and services related to NEV aftersales, testing, repair and coating.

^{1 &}quot;The Ministry of Commerce and 8 other departments jointly issued the 'Guiding Opinions on Promoting the High-quality Development of the Automotive Aftermarket", The State Council of The People's Republic of China, 13 October 2023, https://www.gov.cn/lianbo/bumen/202310/content_6908749.htm (retrieved on 4 January 2024)

In terms of the exhibitors, Suzhou Qiang Li and Wuhan Onew will showcase their spray painting systems, while SATA from Germany and Craftsman (Shanghai) are set to bring their latest coating technologies. Furthermore, Bees Service, a NEV maintenance expert for Tesla, will deep dive into EV battery repair. Guangdong Hongdao, Henan Yingzhirui and Honow (Guangdong) will also present products and technologies in NEV air conditioning and insulated toolkits.

In addition, AMR will stage the **National Vocational Skills Competition 2024** at Green Repair & New Energy zone to address one of the biggest subjects in the industry – skills development in the rising NEV aftermarket. The anticipated transition towards the widespread adoption of NEVs also entails establishing national standards across China to ensure that providers offer high quality, safe and efficient services. From this standpoint, the competition will demonstrate how a number of local brands and vocational institutes are forging ahead with the use of new tools, technologies and green repair solutions. Its aim is to further promote collaboration in education and industry to nurture talent.

It will feature two single contests for the first time, namely the New Energy Vehicle Repairer and Vehicle Paint Finishing. The event calls for contestants from right across the mobility and logistics industry, including experts and students from educational organisations.

The competition was initiated by Industry-Education Integration Professional Committee of China Automotive Maintenance Equipment Industry Association (CAMEIA) and various municipal industry associations. It will be organised by the Shandong Automobile Maintenance Equipment Industry Association, Messe Frankfurt (Shanghai) Co Ltd, and Quangong Vocational Education (Beijing) Technology Co Ltd. The judges will issue awards to the finalists.

Conference themes to deepen cooperation in sustainable development
Alongside AMR 2024, The 6th International Automotive Aftermarket Conference will
explore the economic landscape, industry development, technology trends and innovation,
providing corporates with valuable insights on future market opportunities. The conference
will host leading consultants, parts and components companies, and distributors to
discuss green and future-focused strategies for the automotive aftermarket.

Themes will cover cutting-edge trends in the global aftermarket, NEVs in the independent aftersales market, and the transformation of the overseas vehicle market. The conference will analyse the international competitiveness of China's auto parts companies and explore opportunities in NEV exports to open up new doors for domestic aftermarket enterprises.

Haidong Xu, Deputy Chief Engineer of the China Association of Automobile Manufacturers, will give an in-depth overview of China's automotive market forecast in 2024. The speech will focus on key factors that promote the sustainable development of the industry by providing strategic market knowledge and approaches to achieve high quality transformation. Offering an international perspective on the global landscape, analysts from Roland Berger will discuss the independent NEV aftermarket. In addition, the German consulting company, Wolk, will also delve into the 2024 outlook of Europe's automotive aftermarket.

In addition, The 19th China Automotive Aftermarket Top 20 Awards Ceremony & the 20th Anniversary Celebration will take place at the fairground. The award celebrates products that demonstrate innovation, practicality and efficiency, holding significant influence in China's automotive market and attracting the wide attention and participation of the industry.

These events form some of the 30 fringe activities that AMR is organising. Wider topics will cover the likes of NEVs and connected mobility, smart transportation, sustainable development and the use of industrial chemical standards in the automotive industry. Other featured programmes include the China Motor Vehicle Inspection and Testing Industry Development Seminar 2024, The 3rd Green Repair and Maintenance Industry Forum, and The Automotive Aftersales Terminal Technology Service Innovation and Integration Development Forum. They will offer companies ideas on new strategies on policies, trends and technological advancements.

New Energy Vehicles Factory Tour: unveiling the journey to innovation

AMR will also offer New Energy Vehicles Factory Tours. Professional buyers from around the world can visit leading NEV manufacturing plants like FAW Toyota and Lixiang, as well as the C-NCAP crash-safety testing laboratory. Participants can benefit from an indepth inspection of some of the most sophisticated automobile manufacturing technologies along the production line and gain an understnading of how rigorous quality inspections can produce high quality NEVs. For more information and reservation enquiries, please contact Sookie.Chai@china.messefrankfurt.com.

The Auto Maintenance and Repair Expo (AMR) is co-organised by China Automotive Maintenance Equipment Industry Association (CAMEIA), China Automotive Maintenance and Repair Association (CAMRA), Messe Frankfurt (Shanghai) Co Ltd and China National Machinery Industry International Co Ltd (Sinomachint). The fair is one of the 35 global events under Messe Frankfurt's Mobility and Logistics sector.

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