

Who we are and what we do



VDMA – The Network of the German capital goods industry

VDMA (German Engineering Federation) is the trade association of the German capital goods industry. With more than 3,100 members the association represents almost all major manufacturers of machinery, plant and apparatus in Germany.

The two core tasks of VDMA are the representation of interests to bodies outside the industry and the provision of comprehensive services for its member companies.

As the German machinery and plant construction industry is a very heterogeneous and varie-

gated sector, VDMA unites under its roof 38 industry-specific associations.

Special departments such as Foreign Trade, Business Management Services, Legal Services and Taxation, Statistics and Business Research, provide competent advice and information where questions apply to more than one industry. Furthermore, six Regional Associations maintain close contact to the companies in their respective catchment areas.

You can find more information on VDMA at www.vdma.org



The Food Processing and Packaging Machinery Association

The Food Processing and Packaging Machinery Association is one of the 38 industry-specific associations within VDMA and comprises more than 300 companies at present. We provide comprehensive support to our members in their day-to-day work.

Changing consumer habits, restrictive legislation and new technologies require constant realignment with the market needs. The resulting information requirements are diverse, partly due to the considerable heterogeneousness of the food processing and packaging machinery industry.

In order to be able to provide our members with practical services according to their needs, the Association is subdivided into seven groups:

- Packaging Machinery
- Machines and Equipment for the Pharmaceutical and Cosmetics Industry
- Confectionery Machinery
- Bakery Machinery
- Meat Processing Machinery
- Beverage Machinery and Dairy Technology
- Machinery for the processing of plant raw materials

The main tasks and services of the Association

The commercial success of our member companies is the benchmark of our work.

We offer our members

- A platform for the exchange of ideas amongst each other, e. g. via topic-specific working groups
- Industry-specific information, e. g. on markets, relevant trade fairs, research projects, technology, guidelines and legislation
- Primary and secondary statistics



- Joint representation at trade fairs abroad and the organisation of specialist symposia
- Sales support, e. g. via publications and global distribution of industry catalogues, maintenance of an online directory containing details of all member companies and answering individual enquiries
- Image promotion via industry-specific press and public relations in publications at home and abroad.

Our services for you

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