

International Council of Tanners



**the worldwide organisation for
producers of leather**



WORLD LEATHER CONGRESS MILAN, THE CAPITAL OF LEATHER

Trends and Future Challenges is the subject of the international tanners' congress, scheduled for September 8 in Milan, on the eve of LINEAPELLE's (September 9-11, Milan Rho Fair).

The event, hosted by Fondazione Edison in Foro Buonaparte 31, Milan, will analyse the situation of the global tanning industry and its future prospects. The sector is made up of 12,000 companies, 200,000 employees, with a turnover of about 50 billion dollars and is part of some hugely important value chains that include manufacturers of footwear, garments, handbags, furniture, cars, aeroplanes, equestrian and sports goods.

Its strategic function, as a link between agriculture and industry, covers complex scenarios, involving secondary raw materials and technological innovation, protectionism and environmental protection, sustainability and fashion, international consumption and production models.

The organiser is UNIC (the Italian tanners' association), under the sponsorship of the European Commission, the Italian Ministry of Economic Development and Regione Lombardia.

ICT, the International Council of Tanners, is headed by the Italian Rino Mastrotto and the vice president is the Taiwanese Chih Hsang Pai. Members are tanneries representing 37 Countries from Europe, America, Asia and Africa.

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