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#spoga+gafa

spoga+gafa 2019 - successful trade fair focusing on City Gardening

More garden is not possible: After three successful days, spoga+gafa 2019 came to a close on an extremely positive result and with an increased number of visitors on Sunday, Monday and Tuesday. Good 40,000 trade visitors, top decision-makers and multipliers from 124 countries and a 65% share of international guests underlined the international significance of spoga+gafa. In total, 2,281 exhibitors from 67 countries (foreign share: 86 percent) presented the trends and highlights for the coming garden season on 230,000 square metres. This year the focus of the world's largest garden trade fair was City Gardening - gardening without a garden.

The omnipresence was demonstrated in the product offer of the exhibitors and the interest of the international trade visitors for the globally relevant trend theme. Multifunctional furniture, high-quality fabrics, accessories for the well-being effect in the outdoor living room, smart irrigation solutions or even grills for the bicycle basket underlined the theme across the fair grounds. There were no limits to the diversity. At the same time, the trade was offered solutions for the implementation of the topic on the sales area in the scope of five POS Green Solution Islands and diverse lectures. "spoga+gafa has hit the nerve of the industry with City Gardening and spanned its the trend-setting, communicative bow across all of the segments of spoga-gafa," commented Catja Caspary, Vice President Trade Fair Management. "In 2020 the industry can look forward to our new key theme 'spoga+gafa 2020: Sustainable gardens'."

spoga+gafa 2019 in figures:

2,281 companies from 67 countries, 86 percent of which were from abroad, participated at spoga+gafa 2019. These included 330 exhibitors from Germany and 1,951 exhibitors from abroad. Including estimations for the last day of the fair, a good 40,000 visitors from 124 countries attended spoga+gafa 2019. The share of foreign trade visitors was 65 percent.

Above all the quality of the international trade visitors, who were particularly strongly represented from the Netherlands, Italy and France, was of great importance to the exhibitors of spoga+gafa. **John W. Herbert, European DIY-Retail Association (EDRA) / General Secretary** also confirmed that the top decision-makers and important multipliers of the industry were also extremely satisfied with the outcome of spoga+gafa. "We are very satisfied with spoga+gafa 2019. We have received a thoroughly positive feedback from our more than 200 international top buyers. Especially the presence of strong brands like Fiskars, but also the ambiance



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of spoga+gafa overall was assessed very positively. The trade fair became even more attractive this year. The quality and the design of the products presented was very high-quality, industry trends such as City Gardening for example were realised in an innovative and creative manner. "Once again this year spoga+gafa confirmed its position as the leading international garden trade fair."

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spoga+gafa 2020 will be staged from 6 to 8 September. Further information is available at www.spogagafa.com

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The spoga+gafa 2019 is open to trade visitors on 1 and 2 September from 09:00 a.m. to 06:00 p.m. and on 3 September from 09:00 a.m. to 05:00 p.m. Further information is available at www.spogagafa.com.

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