



Mindtech, Metal Industry and Technologies International Trade Fair, is the **benchmark industrial fair in the Iberian Pole**, which will hold its third edition from 20 to 22 June 2023 at Ifevi, Vigo.

After the success of its first two editions, Mindtech has established itself as a hub for industrial business between Europe, Africa and the Atlantic countries. In 2023, it will once again bring this hub of knowledge, innovation and meetings to Vigo, where more than **200 exhibitors, 50 speakers, hundreds of B2B meetings and more than 9,000 visitors are expected.**

## **Industries**

**In its third edition, Mindtech 2023 will once again feature all the leading industries in the sector**, including automotive, aeronautics, metalworking, metal structures, renewable energies, new technologies, supplies, engineering and much more.

## **International presence**

Mindtech reinforces its essence as an international trade fair during this third edition, in which it is opening up to the Asian continent in particular. **For the first time, the leading industrial fair in the Iberian industrial hub will have a guest country, Japan.**

To mark this milestone, the Japanese Ambassador to Spain, Takahiro Nakamae, will personally travel to Vigo to take part in the official opening of the fair on 20 June. Likewise, four Japanese companies of great scope and turnover will land in Vigo to open new business opportunities, expand new markets and look for valuable contacts in the industrial sector and, especially, in the renewable energy sector.

In addition to Japan, Mindtech will count, as usual, with an **outstanding presence of companies from usual allied countries, such as Portugal, Colombia, Mexico, South Korea, Morocco, United Kingdom, France or Italy, among others.**

## **Startups**

In collaboration with the Xunta de Galicia, Mindtech will once again open its Startup Arena, a space that will host **40 high-tech startups and accelerators with significant growth potential.** New this year will be the **Mindtech Startup Event**, a competition between the most innovative and disruptive startups to present their project to potential investors in the heart of the Mindtech fair.



## **Mindtech Awards**

Once again, in this third edition, we will be organising the Mindtech Awards, which recognise the most outstanding organisations and companies for their work in areas such as **innovation, 4.0 technology, circular economy, mobility and corporate social responsibility**. They are a showcase for the best practices of our business fabric, which is already responding to all these future challenges.

## **B2B meetings**

As every year, Mindtech will hold B2B meetings to promote high added-value business contacts. Exhibitor companies, international buyers, Tier 1 of the benchmark industries and visiting companies will participate in the B2B meetings, generating a meeting point of great commercial value for the sector..

## **Conferencias**

At each edition, Mindtech offers a full programme of conferences, workshops and lectures to address the challenges and opportunities facing the industry in the context of digital transformation, process automation and energy transition.

**The Mindtech International Conference (MIC)** will return as a benchmark event at the fair, to present the latest developments and trends in the sector. It will be attended by international industry leaders and high-level institutional representatives.

Mindtech also offers a full programme of thematic conferences and workshops on topics such as the mobility of the future, automation, digitalisation, innovation and entrepreneurship, energy, the role of women in industry and artificial intelligence. The speakers' corner will present the latest innovations from companies in the sector, who will give inspiring talks and product demonstrations throughout the duration of the fair.



## Statements

### **Justo Sierra, President of Mindtech:**

"Mindtech is the meeting point for the metalworking industry and all its associated technologies, the intercontinental hub between Europe, Africa and the Atlantic countries. This is an unprecedented showcase to show the world what our sector has to offer.

"We are working hard to make this edition a historic milestone, doubling the number of exhibitors and visitors in a meeting that was born from the industry itself and for the industry, and which is having a great reception. The metal sector and its associated technologies are highly internationalised and it is at meetings like this one that major contracts are closed and new value-added business relationships are created".

## Resources

- Images of the fair: <https://mindtechvigo.com/galeria/>
- Interviews with leading exhibitors: <https://mindtechvigo.com/noticias/>
- Press accreditation to cover Mindtech 2023::  
<https://mindtechvigo.com/inscripciones-prensa/>