



BIOTECHNOLOGY & BUSINESS: 3 - 11 OCTOBER 2009

in connection with the BIOTECHNICA Exhibition (6 - 8 October 2009) in Hannover, Niedersachsen, Germany

The Ministry of Economic Affairs, Labour and Transport of Niedersachsen has agreed to support an initiative based on the BIOTECHNICA and has asked InWent (Capacity Building International – established through a merger of CDG and DSE – German Foundation for International Development) in partnership with the HZI – Helmholtz Centre for Infection Research – (Previously the German Research Centre for Biotechnology in Brunswick/Braunschweig GBF) - to organize an international business meeting, which will take place from 3 - 11 October 2009 in Hannover.

The purpose of the meeting is to enable leading biotechnologists to make contacts with firms from Niedersachsen within the context of the BIOTECHNICA Exhibition and to encourage cooperation between firms from **ASEAN** (Singapore, Brunei, Malaysia, Indonesia, Thailand, Cambodia, Myanmar, Vietnam, Laos, The Philippines), **Mercosul** (Brazil, Argentina, Chile, Uruguay, Paraguay) and Niedersachsen, Germany.

The organisation and financing of the meeting will be undertaken by InWent in Hannover in partnership with the HZI. The international travel costs will be covered by the individuals attending the meeting and Niedersachsen has agreed to cover most of the costs of the participants whilst in Niedersachsen, including accommodation. The schedule will be complemented by representative activities.

Tentative timetable 2009

Saturday 3 October	Arrival at Hannover airport and transfer to accommodation Icebreaker Party
Sunday 4 October	Technology Transfer Workshop
Monday 5 October	Visits to biotech firms
Tues/We/Thursday	BIOTECHNICA Exhibition
Thursday 8 October	Cooperation event / BIOTECHNICA
Friday 9 October	Visits to Biotech firms
Saturday 10 October	Free day / Farewell reception in the evening
Sunday 11 October	Departure

More information: http://asag-biotech.net/Data/Important_Websites/Calls/List/

Additional information on BIOTECHNICA: <http://www.biotechnica.de>

Criteria for participation are having a responsible position in a company/business entrepreneur with interest in cooperation with businesses situated in Lower Saxony.

Important: The number of participants is limited to 15 persons!

Participants will be guests of the Niedersachsen Ministry of Economics, InWent and the HZI which will include accommodation during their stay from 3 - 1 October 2009. For their part, participants should reserve and pay for their own international flights to and from Hannover.

Applications - please complete the attached application form and return by E-Mail or Fax by 28 August, 2009.