## ESCA 2022

Exhibition & Event Industry
Trends – How Will They
Shape Your Future?

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820 member organisations in 86 countries and markets around the world are presently signed up as members.

#### MEMBERS PER ACTIVITY

69% are exhibition organisers 27% are exhibition venues



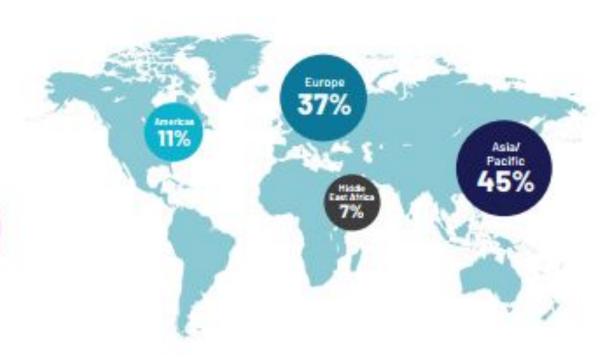
Organisers & Venues only 14%



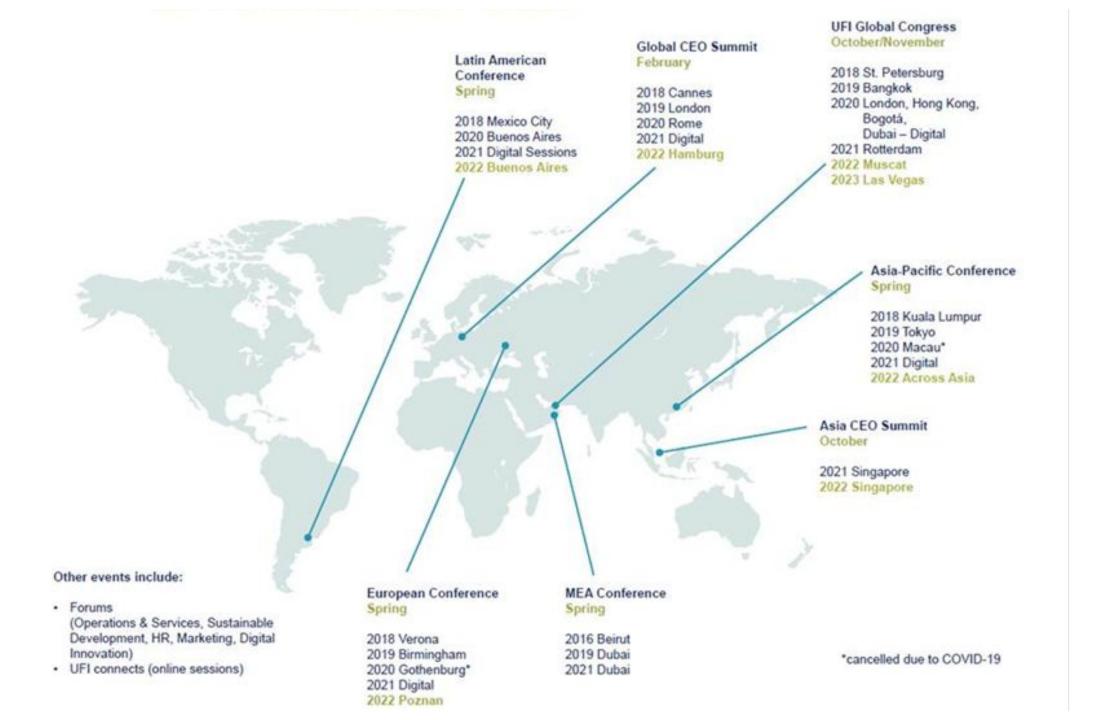
Partners of the Industry 10%

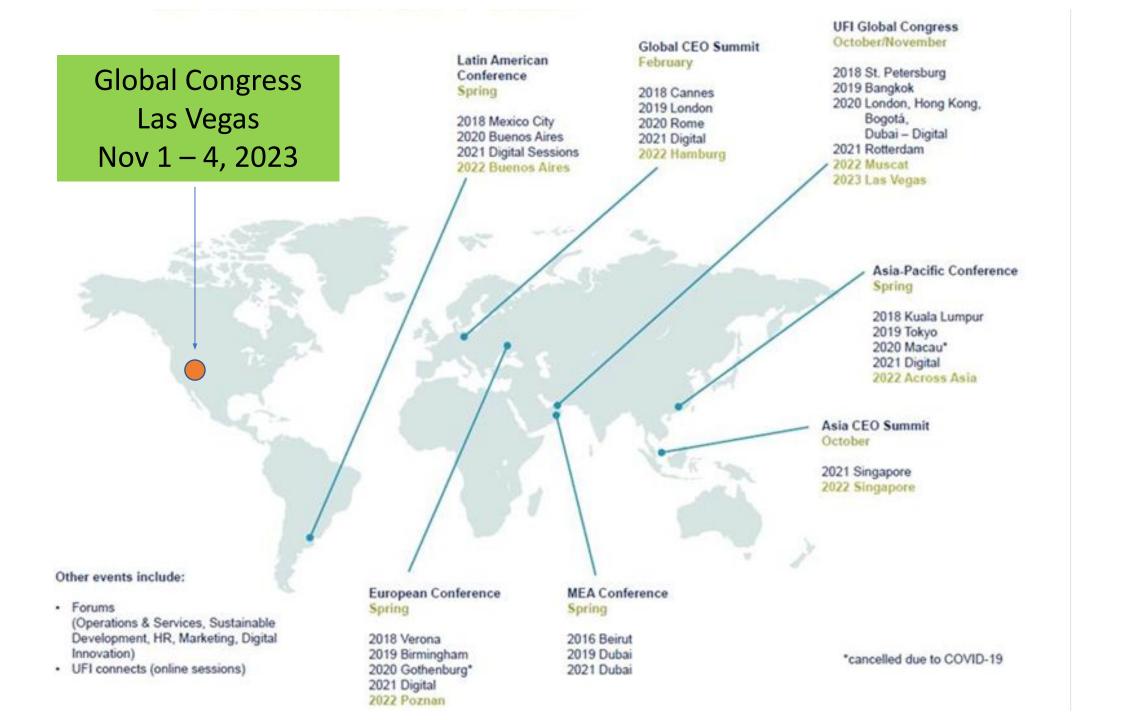
More than 900 UFI approved events proudly bear the UFI approved label, a quality guarantee for visitors and exhibitors alike.

#### MEMBERS PER REGION











#### **EVENTS**

UFI events are key platforms to meet industry peers



#### **EDUCATION**

Access to hightrange educational programmes and certification



#### **RESEARCH**

Access to industry resources and UFI publications



#### **ADVOCACY**

UFI advocates on behalf of the exhibition industry, globally





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### Global Economic Impact of Exhibitions: World



#### STATE OF MARKET



4.8 million

**Exhibiting companies** 

### 147 million 147

Square meters of booth





#### **DIRECT IMPACTS**



126 billion € (\$ 141 billion)

> in direct spending (business sales)

representing spending to plan and produce exhibitions, exhibitions-related travel, and other direct spending, such as spending by visitors and exhibitors

Produces



in direct GDP (gross domestic product)





1.4 million

Jobs

Directly supported by exhibitions

#### TOTAL IMPACTS

#### 299 billion € (\$ 334 billion)



in total output (business sales) including direct, indirect, and induced output

Indirect & Induced Impacts



179 billion € (\$ 201 billion)

in total GDP

Incl. direct, indirect and induced GDP impacts

#### 3.4 million

Total Jobs

directly and indirectly supported by exhibitions



62,900 € (\$ 70,400)

of total impact per exhibiting company





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## COVID-19 economic damage on exhibitions globally





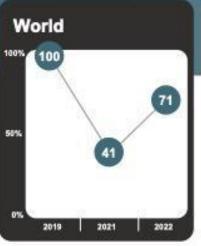
## Exhibition Industry Revenues Expected to Rebound Significantly



Industry to regain significant revenues again in 2022, compared to 2021

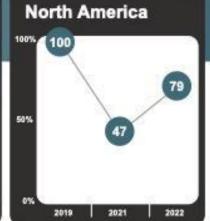


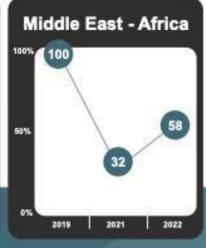
Based on data from 359 exhibition industry companies globally

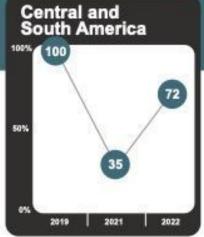


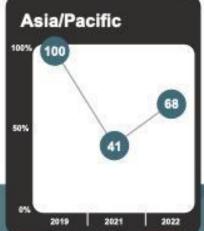
Europe

100% (100)









## Exhibition Industry Revenues Expected to Grow Across All Markets in 2022





Based on data from 359 exhibition industry companies globally

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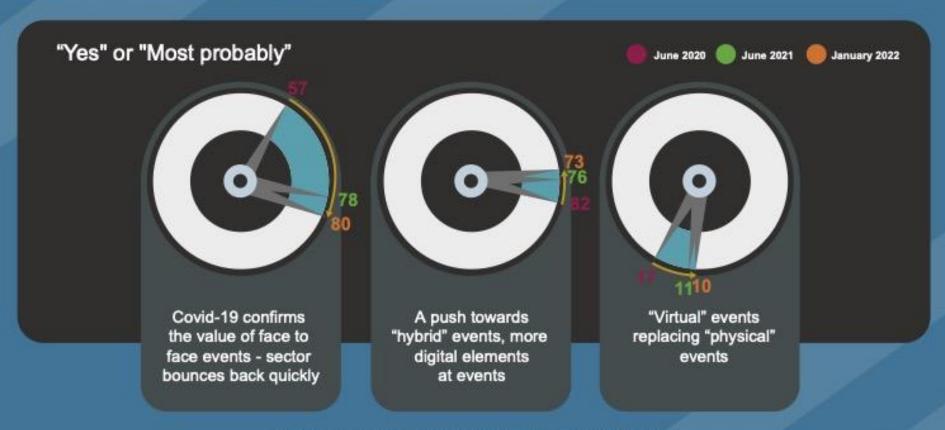




### **Global Exhibition Industry Sentiment**



Expected developments 2021 - 2022



Based on data from 401 exhibition industry companies globally

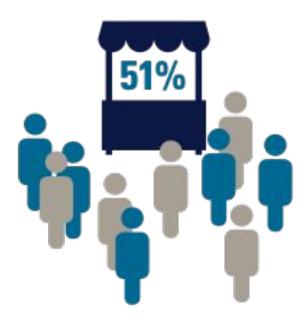
#### REDUCED NETWORKING OPPORTUNITIES

66% still impacted



#### LESS BRAND EXPOSURE

51% still impacted

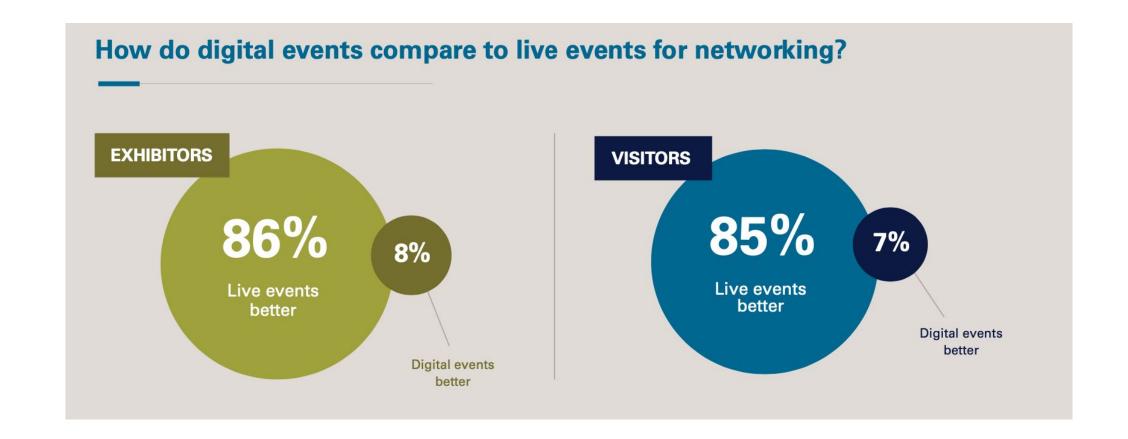


#### FEWER LEADS GENERATED

44% still impacted



GLOBAL RECOVERY INSIGHTS 2021 8



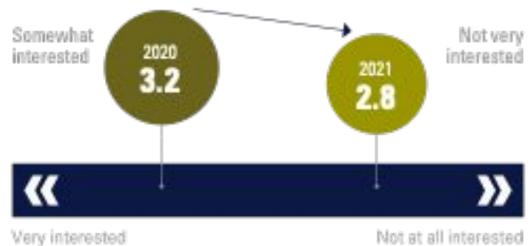


#### VISITORS: HOW DO DIFFERENT TYPES OF EVENTS COMPARE?

## Trade Shows Digital Hybrid

Least preferred Most preferred

#### VISITORS: CHANGING INTEREST IN ATTENDING HYBRID EVENTS



# REIMAGINING BUSINESS EVENTS THROUGH COVID-19 AND BEYOND



Jointly presented by







In many ways, COVID-19 has levelled the playing field. It has highlighted the vulnerabilities of traditional business event formats and cast the importance of innovation into sharper focus. It has forced the sector to experiment and proactively embark on business transformation, addressing market requirements as leadership roles shift between innovators and incumbents.

There are three major areas that business events players need to reimagine as they prepare for recovery:

- **Business Models**
- **Delegate Experience**
- **Talent and Capabilities**

In this section, sector leaders from all around the world share thoughts on how to undertake such transformation.







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#### **Reimagine Business Models**



Think and behave like a start-up



Find your core



Improvise and diversify

#### Reimagine the Delegate Experience



Dream big, but start small



Go multi-channel

#### **Reimagine Talent and Capabilities**



Engage proactively and transparently with employees



Cultivate stronger digital literacy and skills



Source ideas and talent from different places

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## SHORT Term next 6-12 months





**Staffing Challenges** 

Health & Safety Measures

Pent-up Demand

Post-pandemic mindset









### MID Term 12 – 36 months





The Climate Crisis

The Global Economy

Net Zero Carbon Events Initiative

Resilience of the business model



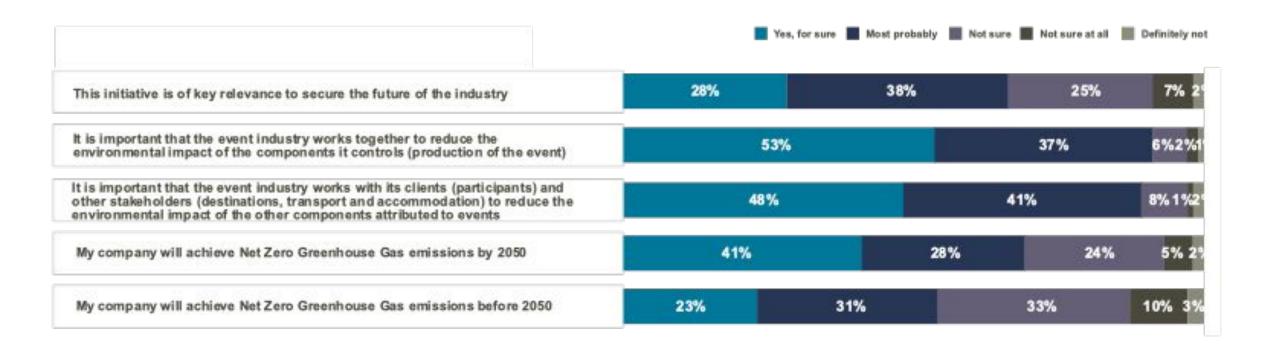




## Climate Change and Net Zero Carbon Events World







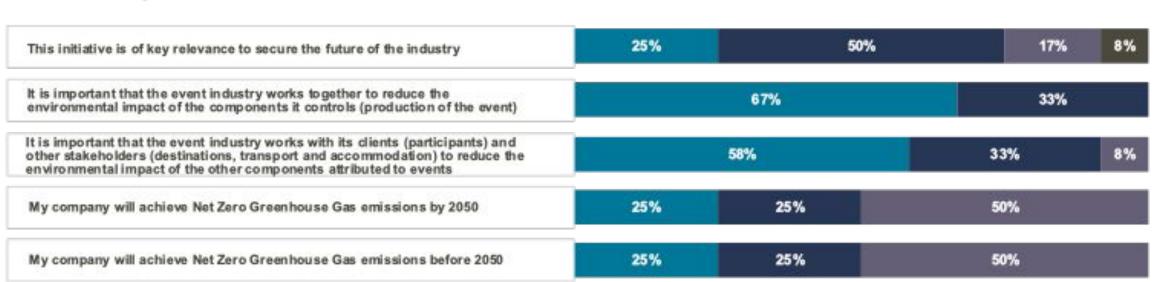
## Detailed results for US



Yes, for sure Most probably Not sure Not sure at all Definitely not



#### Climate Change and Net Zero Carbon Events



## LONG Term 2 – 5 years





Global Decoupling (End of Globalisation)

Our industry still not being understood

Industry collaboration around the world

Collaborative advocacy work





## The JMIC Global Manifesto

An Industry Rationale for the Use of Business Events as Primary Agents for Post-Pandemic Economic Recovery and Renewal



# Here's Why | 15 Ways Business Events Create Strategic Advantage in Economic Recovery and Renewal



1 | Innovation & Reinvention



2 | Multi-sector Impacts



3 | Relationships & Trust



4 | Diversification & Self-sufficiency



5 | Transition & Renewal



6 | Talent & Investment



7 | Path to Sustainable Development



8 | Controlled Environment



9 | Community Legacies



10 | Uses Existing Investments



11 | Digitization



12 | Laboratories for Public Policy



13 | Support for the Visitor Economy



14 | Image & Reputation



15 | Measureable ROI



















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## Trade Show Executive

News, Views and Tools for Trade Show and Event Executives

"From providing relief to our small businesses to helping us bring back international exhibitors and attendees, Congress can play an important role in accelerating the comeback of the face-to-face business events industry. That's why it was wonderful to see so many industry leaders and advocates from coast to coast take part in ECA Legislative Action Week."







