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EnergInno Brazil: Research2Industry Days and Matchmaking Tour

Focused networking in São Paulo: German and Brazilian innovations for green energy

EnergInno Brazil, a campaign led by the Fraunhofer-Gesellschaft to connect the Brazilian and German sustainable energy sectors, held a Matchmaking Tour and the Research2Industry Days in São Paulo, Brazil, in mid-May. Nearly 350 stakeholders from Brazil's green energy sector and the ten members of the German EnergInno Brazil delegation, exchanged ideas about green hydrogen and biogas innovations and possible collaborations during the two events.

The Research2Industry Days are an exchange forum for the winners of the Call for Ideas & Innovation of EnergInno Brazil as well as for Brazilian stakeholders from research, industry, economy and politics. The event offered information about innovative sustainable energy sources and supply, best practise examples, presentations as well as opportunities for professional networking to all participants. During the subsequent Matchmaking Tour, the German delegation had the opportunity to visit key institutions and companies in the green energy sector in the greater São Paulo area and to continue networking.

International encounter at all levels

Dr. Johann Feckl, Director International Affairs and Internal Programs of the Fraunhofer-Gesellschaft, officially opened the Research2Industry Days in São Paulo. Afterwards, the German Consul General Thomas Schmitt welcomed the auditorium on site as well as the virtual participants of the hybrid event. Rachel Martins Henriques from the Energy Research Office of the Brazilian Ministry of Mines and Energy and Thomas Timm, Managing Director of AHK São Paulo, highlighted in their subsequent speeches the importance of the German-Brazilian cooperation - especially in the field of climate-friendly research and development.

On both days of the event, stakeholders from renowned institutions such as the Brazilian Energy Research Corporation, the Brazilian Society for Industrial Research and Innovation EMBRAPII, the National Service for Industrial Vocational Training SENAI and GTAI Germany Trade and Invest were involved in presentations and panel discussions. Also companies like thyssenkrupp, Siemens Energy, SENAI SIMATEC and AES were represented. The main consensus expressed throughout the conference was that the current changes in the energy sector should be used to create and intensify structures and investments for sustainable energy sources.

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German innovations for sustainable energy supply - in Brazil and worldwide

The five German winning tandems of EnergInno Brazil presented their innovations to a large audience of experts both in presentations and in an accompanying exhibition. The three projects from the field of green hydrogen were just as convincing as the two innovations from the research field of biogas. The networking of the German delegation was also continued during the subsequent Matchmaking Tour in São Paulo. Companies such as COMGAS and HYTRON and institutions such as the Institute for Energy and Environment of the University of São Paulo gave the German participants exclusive insights and completed the extraordinary experiences made possible by the events of Energinno Brazil.

Visuals of the Research2Industry Days: https://www.research-in-germany.org/energinno/program/research2industry-days.html Visuals of the Matchmaking Tour: https://www.research-in-germany.org/energinno/program/matchmaking-tour.html

EnergInno Brazil

The EnergInno Brazil campaign, led by the Fraunhofer-Gesellschaft, is part initiative "Research in Germany" of the Federal Ministry of Education and Research. The campaign aims to network between the Brazilian and German sustainable energy sectors to initiate exchange and cooperation.

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The German delegation of EnergInno Brazil participating in one of their visits to São Paulo, here with fellow stakeholders at the premises of the German-Brazilian Chamber of Commerce and Industry of São Paulo.

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