



*American Consulate General
U.S. Commercial Service*

Dear filtration executive:

The U.S. Department of Commerce cordially invites you to participate in the **FILTECH 2009** Exhibition, **Wiesbaden, Germany, October 13 - 15, 2009** (www.filtech.de). The Filtration and Separation Exhibition presents a tremendous opportunity for your highly specialized branch of industry. It is uniquely dedicated 100% to the filtration technology trade and truly global in scope. Due to the competitive U.S. dollar exchange rate conditions worldwide are very favorable for U.S. filter technologies. The time is right to be at the **FILTECH 2009**.

The Department of Commerce's U.S. Commercial Service (USCS) promotes and supports U.S. exports and commercial interests worldwide through our network of 104 offices in 83 countries (<http://www.buyusa.gov>). The U.S. Commercial Service in Germany is working closely with the organizers of the FILTECH to recruit and promote a U.S. Filtration Pavilion. Together with our partner offices in other countries, we will be providing targeted promotion of the U.S. companies in advance of the show, counseling and market information at the show and support with follow up after the event. We concentrate our efforts on identifying, and outreach to, potential buyers and distribution partners in markets of interest to you.

We expect this event to draw as many as 2,500+ trade only visitors from 50 countries. **FILTECH 2009** covers all products and services relevant for the filtration industry, in a user friendly, transparent classification system. Its range of products and technology includes: solid-liquid-separation, membrane processes, solid-gas-separation, testing, instrumentation and control, simulation and modeling, (i.e. computational fluid, particle dynamics, process simulation and flow-sheeting expert systems), filter media and micro process technology. In addition to its high profile congress and exposure to all the important filtration press and media, it features an exhibition for internationally engaged filtration companies and trade visitors. Moreover, a full range of networking opportunities and activities will be offered.

In order to prepare properly for and to make the most of your participation, we strongly encourage all potential exhibitors and visitors to contact the organizer Filtech Exhibitions Germany (per email: jens@filtech.de or tel: +49 2132 93 57 60) and also let us know of your plans as early as possible.

We want you to be successful at the **FILTECH 2009**. Please contact our USCS commercial specialist for the filtration sector in Germany, Mr. Klaus Jonas, at Klaus.Jonas@mail.doc.gov, tel.: +49 211 737 767 50 if you have questions or need further information.

We look forward to seeing you at the **FILTECH 2009** in Wiesbaden.

Best regards,

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