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Biennial world exhibition for woodworking technology and furniture supplies

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## **XYLEXPO 2020 POSTPONED**

**Xylexpo 2020 will be postponed**. This is the painful but necessary decision taken by the Managing Board of Acimall, the association of Italian woodworking machinery and tools manufacturers, owner of the biennial exhibition.

The 2020 edition will not be held next May 26-29 as originally planned, but postponed to the **second** half of the year, in dates that will be identified later on, in view of the ongoing disruption of trade fair calendars and the unpredictable developments of the "Covid-19" emergency.

"We waited as long as we could, hoping the situation would go back to normal," said **Lorenzo Primultini**, president of Acimall and of the exhibition, at the end of the board meeting. "We hope that, by the end of May, the Coronavirus effects will not be what we are seeing now, but unfortunately we cannot tell when this emergency will be over on a global scale, and most of all, we cannot predict its impact on the industrial system and on the supply chains of the wood and furniture technology industry".

So, an act of responsibility, with the priority of safeguarding public health, as neither exhibitors nor visitors, in the current situation, would be able to plan their participation in the most important exhibition of the wood technology industry in even-numbered years.

"For companies, the worst enemy is uncertainty, and it was actually the negative situation we are seeing right now that drove us to take this hard decision, in the interest of the entire industry", Primultini concluded.

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