



## Council for Leather Exports (CLE) India

The Council for Leather Exports (CLE), India is the apex body for the International Promotion and Overall Development of the Indian Leather including Footwear Industry. Set up in 1984, CLE is an autonomous body functioning under the aegis of the Ministry of Commerce & Industry, Government of India. It is the notified Export Promotion organization for the Indian Leather, Leather Products & Footwear Sectors, and also the largest representative body of these sectors with about 3500 companies as its registered members. The headquarters of CLE is in Chennai. Besides, the Council has four Regional Offices at Kanpur, New Delhi, Kolkata, Mumbai and two Extension Offices at Agra & Jalandhar.

### CLE's Activities:

- Dissemination of market information, trends, policy matters and information on commercial, technical and technological developments in the Indian Leather industry.
- Participating in major international trade fairs, Buyer Seller Meets & specialized trade shows across the globe.
- Facilitating Joint Ventures & collaborations, and promoting FDI's in the Indian Leather Sector.
- Mooting Delegations to overseas countries with a view to identify sources for raw materials.
- Serving as a vital link between the Government and the industry members, while focusing on the overall growth of the Indian Leather industry.



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**Chairman - Council for Leather Exports,**  
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## Your stay in Chennai

The 19<sup>th</sup> International Technical Footwear Congress of the UITIC is to be held in India - one of the fastest-growing economies of the world, with a rich and ancient past. Chennai, the 4<sup>th</sup> largest city of India and capital of Tamil Nadu State, will host the 19<sup>th</sup> UITIC Congress in February 2016. Being both the leading commercial center and cultural hub of South India, Chennai has a range of attractions and activities to offer.



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Venue :  
**Hotel ITC Grand Chola**  
**Chennai**

# FUTURE FOOTWEAR FACTORY

**19<sup>th</sup> INTERNATIONAL  
TECHNICAL FOOTWEAR CONGRESS**

**February 03-05, 2016**  
**Chennai, INDIA**

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## Future Footwear Factory

The 19<sup>th</sup> International Technical Footwear Congress, an official event of the International Union of Shoe Industry Technicians (UITIC), is being organized by Council for Leather Exports (CLE), India, during February 3-5, 2016 in Chennai, India. The Theme of the 19<sup>th</sup> Technical Footwear Congress is **"Future Footwear Factory"**. Advances in technology have enabled the modernization of factories for production of footwear with advanced properties; making optimum use of resources. However, there remains the challenge of changing consumer demands and market vagaries, amidst the dynamics of an instantly-connected world. Innovations towards developing *Smart Manufacturing, Intelligent Products, Connected Supply Chain and increasing Footwear Industry Competitiveness* will be presented at this Congress. Experts, Manufacturers and Stake Holders of the Footwear industry are expected to gather at the Congress for a period of intense deliberations on the theme.

**The 19<sup>th</sup> UITIC Congress, Chennai is now open for Delegate Registrations.** Research papers relevant to the Theme for selection for Oral & Visual presentations at the Congress are also being invited.

## Program of the 19<sup>th</sup> UITIC Congress

**2<sup>nd</sup> Feb 2016**  
Registration  
Welcome Cocktail (Evening)

**3<sup>rd</sup> Feb 2016**  
Factory Visits

**4<sup>th</sup> Feb 2016**  
Congress

**5<sup>th</sup> Feb 2016**  
Congress  
Closure Ceremony & Lunch

### Registration Fees :

Before Oct' 31 2015

**US\$ 250 per Delegate**

After Oct' 31 2015

**US\$ 300 per Delegate**

### Major Discussion Topics at the Congress

- ★ Trends and marketing consumption
- ★ Consumer needs and new products
- ★ Advanced materials and components
- ★ Smart and hi-tech factories
- ★ Responsive factories and connected supply chain
- ★ Social, attractive, effective factories in the future
- ★ Future Regulatory trends

(more than 20 international speakers, experts in their fields are scheduled)

The International Union of Shoe Industry Technicians (UITIC), established in 1972, is an organization which aims at developing technical knowledge in the footwear industry, in particular by organizing international conferences on a regular basis and by taking the initiative in setting up information exchanges between its members, exclusively in the field of technology.

UITIC's main activity is to organize the most prestigious meeting of experts in the world, an International Technical Congress. This event tackles the latest technical problems or innovation in the footwear industry. Visits of footwear factories and related industries are organized.

UITIC is proposing two links between its members for spreading the latest information on the footwear industry : UITIC News and the [www.uitic.org](http://www.uitic.org) website. UITIC's members are technicians from associations and research centres, private companies and footwear experts, coming from 27 countries.



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### IMPORTANT DATES

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| 31 <sup>st</sup> July 2015 | : Abstract Submission                     |
| 30 <sup>th</sup> Sep 2015  | : Notification of Abstract Review Results |
| 31 <sup>st</sup> Dec 2015  | : Full Paper Submission Deadline          |