

# List of Participants - Berlin Air Show 2008

## Defence Exhibition Organisation (DEO)

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DEO was created as a nodal agency in 1981 as part of the Department of Defence Production, Ministry of Defence to promote export potential of Defence Public Sector Undertakings, DRDO and the Ordnance Factory Board. It has over the years immensely contributed towards export promotion activities on behalf of Ministry of Defence. It is the nodal and coordination agency for the conduct of two major expositions in India, viz; Aero India and Defexpo India, which have seen exponential growth over the years. DEO also coordinates the participation of Indian Defence industries in exhibitions abroad.

### Aero India 2009

Aero India has already carved a niche for itself globally as a premier aerospace exhibition, with six successful editions organised between 1996 and 2007.

India's opening up of the defence sector to foreign direct investment, the ongoing modernisation plans of its Armed Forces and enormous new opportunities in the civil aviation sector, have opened innumerable new avenues for investment. Aero India 2009 will provide an ideal window of opportunity for companies to not only network with the Indian Industry but also to benefit from the sharing of expertise in the fields of R & D, production and product support with other global players. Aero India 2007 recorded an overall growth of more than 35% with 302 foreign exhibitors (+30%) and 209

Indian companies (+42%) participating in the event. The participation of exhibitors from 33 countries and 55 overseas delegations was accommodated over a gross exhibition area of 30,000 Sqm, which was nearly 50% more than the previous edition in 2005. Added attractions were Seminar on 'Aerospace Technologies - Challenges and Opportunities' and the International Conference of Aviation alongwith Aero India Golf Tournament.

The seventh edition of Aero India will be held at Air Force Station, Yelahanka, near Bangalore from Feb 11 to 15, 2009.

Aero India 2009 will provide a significant platform in bolstering business opportunities in the international aviation sector. It is favourably poised an exponential growth over previous edition.

### Defexpo India 2010

A rapidly growing economy, defence preparedness challenges and opening up of defence production to private sector, have given a major fillip to the defence industry in India.

The fifth edition of Defexpo India, held recently in Feb 2008, recorded an impressive **30%** overall growth with matching increase in overseas participation with 475 participants from 30 countries. It had covered a gross area of 32,000 Sqm. All the world's leading players in defence equipment and systems had significant presence, showcasing their latest equipment and systems. High profit official delegations from 47 countries visited the show. A number of international seminars and conferences on the sidelines of the show were also conducted.

Defexpo India 2010, the sixth in the series of biennial Land and Naval Systems Exhibition, will be held at Pragati Maidan, New Delhi from Feb 15 to 18, 2010. Defexpo India is clearly steering the path of steady growth and has been receiving overwhelming and unprecedented international response with each edition.