

## **ADDITIVE MANUFACTURING BOOM: ONE MORE REASON TO PARTICIPATE IN PIÙADDITIVE OF BI-MU**

As reported by ANSA (Italian Associated Press Agency) some days ago, according to EPO, the European Patent Office, in the last decade, patent applications for additive manufacturing solutions registered an average annual increase of about 30%. This highlights that the total number of requests was six times higher than in other high-technology sectors.

With a turnover that reached the record-breaking figure of 16 billion euro in 2022, additive manufacturing has its most important market in the United States and in Europe.

In this global scenario, Italy is among the Top 10 with regard to the number of patent applications, whereas it confirms its second place in the European Union in terms of industrial installations. These positive results show that Italy is a market with very high potential for the development of additive manufacturing, which finds application in numerous, varied fields, including pharmaceuticals, healthcare, biomedical engineering, as well as aerospace and transport.

All these fields will be represented at **piùAdditive**, the initiative promoted within 34.BI-MU, the biennial trade show of machine tools, robotics, automation, digital and additive manufacturing, scheduled to take place at fieramilano Rho, from 9 to 12 October 2024.

For several years now, **piùAdditive** has become the reference event for manufacturers, distributors and users of additive solutions, who never fail to attend. Of the 50,000 operators visiting the last edition of BI-MU (2022), 26% specifically indicated additive manufacturing as an area of interest.

Capable of ensuring better management of energy resources and materials, today additive manufacturing is at the centre of the sustainability debate, a focus theme, along with digitalisation, at the next edition of BI-MU.

All this will make piùAdditive even more attractive for the operators of the sector, as it will offer very interesting business opportunities to the players of this industry who will exhibit in its area. Indeed, piùAdditive will combine the exhibition dimension with that of networking and cultural insight, thanks a rich programme of events, which will be hosted at the stand of AITA-ITALIAN ASSOCIATION OF ADDITIVE TECHNOLOGIES, sponsor of the initiative.

**Updated information and conditions for participation are available in [bimu.it](http://bimu.it).**

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