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## SHARING, INNOVATION, QUALITY:

21,433 PROFESSIONAL OPERATORS AT LINEAPELLE 106 (Fiera Milano Rho, 23/25 September 2025)

**21,433 professional operators**, together with 1,150 exhibitors, were the key players at **LINEAPELLE 106**, the leading trade fair for the global luxury, fashion, and design manufacturing industry, held at Fiera Milano Rho from 23 to 25 September 2025. The exhibition – dedicated to **the Autumn/Winter 2026/2027** season – confirmed itself as the ideal venue for meetings, discussions, and sharing across a supply chain that, with the quality of its creative offer, investments in product innovation, and expansion of services, welcomed a **high-profile audience**. Visitor numbers showed an inevitable, though expected, decrease, reflecting the negative economic climate and the impact of numerous external challenges affecting the fashion industry.

Attendees came 59% from **Italy** and 41% from **109 countries**, representing over **7,000 companies** across the supply chain. These are solid figures, demonstrating creative dynamism, innovative drive, and vitality that provide reassurance despite the ongoing difficulties in the current economic scenario.

As a true laboratory of ideas and innovation, LINEAPELLE 106 engaged and stimulated its community through a series of projects and debates. Highlights included the ever-popular In The Making workshops, as well as appointments with AIMateriality and Lineapelle On The Road, initiatives offering in-depth exploration of the impact of Artificial Intelligence tools in fashion. On this occasion, LENA – the first virtual assistant by Lineapelle, developed in collaboration with Ingenium – Made in Italy Innovation Platform – was introduced. Significant interest was also generated by the talk on the relationship between sports and fashion, featuring ski champion Deborah Compagnoni, ambassador of the Milan-Cortina 2026 Winter Olympics and Paralympics. There was also strong participation in the series of scientific and regulatory seminars that examined the latest developments in the key challenges and issues facing the leather industry and its supply chain.

## GIANNI RUSSO, PRESIDENT OF LINEAPELLE

"Three satisfying days, as highlighted by the majority of our exhibitors, despite a realistically expected reduction in visitors. In the context of a market still facing severe challenges, LINEAPELLE has shown its **ability and strength** to establish itself as an indispensable forum for intercepting, discussing, and developing all possible new inputs and production and commercial paradigms that can lead to a season of revival. This was made possible also thanks to the strengthening of the strategic alliance with **the technology of Simac Tanning Tech**, with which LINEAPELLE signed an agreement that projects the two exhibitions into a dimension of shared projects unparalleled in the industry for innovative vision and international outlook."

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# MAURO BERGOZZA, PRESIDENT OF SIMAC TANNING TECH

"In a global market that constantly imposes new challenges, joining forces is the only way to remain competitive. The synergy between Simac Tanning Tech and Lineapelle, between technology and materials, represents a virtuous model for the entire Made in Italy sector. Working together allows us to strengthen our leadership and look to the future with confidence, promoting a supply chain vision that goes beyond the supply chain itself and beyond individual markets."

### LOOKING AHEAD TO FEBRUARY

The next edition of LINEAPELLE, dedicated to the Spring/Summer 2027 season, will take place from 11 to 13 February 2026, once again in Halls 1-3, 2-4, and 5-7. This is due to the simultaneous hosting of several competitions of the Milan-Cortina 2026 Winter Olympics at Fiera Milano Rho.

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