



SPACE 2021 Welcomes 74,772 Visitors Following Absence Of Physical Event Last Year

fter an absence of a physical event last year due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the 35th edition of SPACE was held on September 14-16, onsite at the Parc-Expo in Rennes, France, and continued on September 17 in a digital format.

Considered as a "professional, international and friendly trade show" for the livestock farming industry, this year' event saw 1,118 exhibitors — including 323 international exhibitors — and welcomed 74,772 visitors, including 4,629 international ones, according to SPACE's organiser. Several international delegations, in particular, those from West African countries, were at the event.

French Minister of Agriculture Julien Denormandie's visit to SPACE on its opening day provided an opportunity for professionals to discuss crucial issues.

The event also recognised innovators in the industry by honouring 35 winners of SPACE's annual Innov'SPACE

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awards. Products, services and equipment by these parties illustrate the constant search for new solutions and the development of tools to help farmers improve working conditions and ensure animal welfare.

For this year's Espace for the Future – a platform for demonstrations, testimonials and round table discussions – the focus was placed on the welfare of farmers and livestock. Implemented with the expertise of agriculture

chambers, the platform was able to highlight the daily concern of farmers for the welfare of their animals. It highlighted the need for constant attention to the matter, while also underlining the economic aspect of relevant issues faced by farmers.

SPACE will happen again on September 13-15, 2022, for its physical event, and on September 16, for its digital format.