

Industry's voice and solutions

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F. Bayrou, Thursday March 13

Lyon, Friday March 14 - After four days of meetings, exchanges and demonstrations under the slogan 'We're not giving up', Global Industrie - France's largest industrial event - is bringing to a close a year marked by record attendance and unprecedented political support for the sector..

In front of a packed Grande Scène attended by over 500 people, Prime Minister François Bayrou paid tribute to the industrialists in his speech, describing them as 'frontline combatants' before sending them a message of gratitude and solidarity.:

“In this world, who are the front-line combatants, apart from the soldiers? You are! And that's why I wanted to say thank you [...] I'd just like to say that you're not alone..”

Accompanied by Astrid Panosyan-Bouvet, Minister for Labour and Employment, and Marc Ferracci, Minister for Industry and Energy, the Prime Minister urged manufacturers to take the lead in simplifying administrative procedures. A clear call to free the economy from bureaucratic obstacles to promote international industrial competitiveness..

The Grande Scène, a veritable agora of the show, provided an exceptional platform for nearly 200 emblematic figures from industry, entrepreneurship and training: Nicolas Dufourcq, CEO of Bpifrance, Patrick Martin, President of the MEDEF, Doris Birkhofer, President of Siemens France, Laurent Bataille, President of Schneider Electric France, Elizabeth Ducottet, CEO of Thuasne, Alexandre Mérioux, CEO of bioMérioux, Mohed Altrad, President of the Altrad Group, Alexandra Mathiolon, Chairman and CEO of SERFIM, Frédéric Sanchez, Chairman of the Fives Group, Thomas Courbe, CEO of the DGE, Véronique Torner, Chairman of Numeum, Ruben Johan, Worldskills Champion in digital construction, Phoebe Perez, Gold Medallist at the Best Apprentices in France... Tout au long du salon, les industriels ont pu également compter sur la mobilisation de nombreux parlementaires - **députés, sénateurs et députés européens** - et d'élus locaux - conseillers régionaux, métropolitains, municipaux - venus témoigner de leur engagement en faveur de l'industrie française.

Strong growth in participation

The 2025 edition of the show confirmed its central role in the industrial ecosystem, attracting an increasingly large and diverse audience. Over the four days as a whole, the figures show a dynamic :

- With 45,000 visitors, attendance was up 20% on the previous edition in Lyon in 2023, illustrating the growing appeal of the event.
- The increase is even more marked, with 2,500 industrial exhibitors.

The 2025 edition also strengthened its commitment to training and employment, welcoming 8,000 young people and job seekers to explore careers in industry through the Golden Tech competition and the GI Avenir village. It's a commitment that underlines the importance of the show in passing on know-how and promoting careers in industry to the younger generation.

For Julie Voyer, Exhibition Director: 'Global Industrie 2025 is a collective success!! The event has confirmed its status as France's biggest factory show, representing the voice and solutions of industry. We look forward to seeing you again in Paris from 30 March to 2 April 2026.

According to Sébastien Gillet, CEO of GL events Exhibitions Industrie: 'Once again this year, Global Industrie has demonstrated its central role in the industry. This success illustrates GL events Exhibitions industrie's expertise in organising large-scale industrial events, with a unique understanding of the challenges facing the sector and the expectations of exhibitors and visitors. With the twelve industrial events deployed across France, we are continuing our commitment to bringing together, inspiring and supporting industrial players as they move towards the future.'

Representing the voices and expectations of the industry

At the same time, Global Industrie unveiled two new surveys conducted in collaboration with Ipsos, shedding new light on the perceptions and expectations of manufacturers and the French public.

- > - The new annual barometer, La Grande Consultation de l'Industrie, was carried out between 12 February and 3 March among 2,000 manufacturers.
 - > [Discover the results of the barometer](#)
- The Les Français et l'Industrie survey, carried out from 6 to 7 November 2024 among a sample of 1,000 people representative of the French population aged 18 and over.
 - > [Discover the results of the survey](#)

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About Global Industrie

Global Industrie is the largest industrial gathering in France and one of the top three in Europe. Every year, the event brings together more than 50,000 industrialists, 2,500 exhibiting companies, 500 speakers and thousands of machines in operation, making the show an exceptional showcase for innovation, technology and our country's industrial know-how. A focal point for France's industrial strengths, the Global Industrie show is a time for people to get involved at the heart of industry. It highlights the regions, the expertise and the essential presence of industry in our daily lives. Above all, it is a strategic meeting place for the voices of industry, today and tomorrow, to express themselves and propose solutions for Industrial France.