



MIPEL 130
Fiera Milano Rho
Hall 5
13-15 September 2026

MIPEL 130: the leading international event dedicated to leather goods and fashion accessories returns to Fiera Milano Rho from 13 to 15 September 2026

The 130th edition strengthens its partnership with MICAM and launches a new collaboration with Milano Fashion & Jewels, creating an increasingly integrated and international trade show ecosystem.

Milan, 10 September 2026 – MIPEL, the leading international trade show dedicated to leather goods and fashion accessories, returns for its 130th edition from 13 to 15 September 2026 in the Hall 5 at Fiera Milano Rho exhibition centre.

Promoted and organized by **Assopellettieri**, with the support of the **Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation (MAECI)** and **ITA - Italian Trade Agency**, under the patronage of the **Municipality of Milan** and with the contribution of **Regione Lombardia**, the event reaffirms its role as a global showcase for the industry. It brings together brands, buyers and international visitors while offering an up-to-date overview of trends in leather goods and fashion accessories world.

With more than **65 years of history**, MIPEL celebrates this important milestone while continuing to evolve. In a market where buyers are seeking an increasingly broad and complementary offering, the event aims to make the trade show experience ever more effective and to create new opportunities for supply and demand to connect through greater integration across supply chains and events. Following the positive feedback to the last edition, MIPEL once again confirms the **experiential exhibition layout developed in collaboration with Lombardini22**. Inspired by urban boulevards, the concept is designed to make the visitor journey **more intuitive, fluid and functional, helping guests navigate the more than 180 Italian and international brands** exhibiting at the show. The layout organisation enhances the collections and encourages business meetings between exhibitors and buyers, bringing together display, networking, experience and discovery.

The main news for the September edition is the strengthening of synergies with the other fashion trade shows. Alongside its well-established collaboration with **MICAM**, MIPEL is launching a new initiative with **Milano Fashion & Jewels** focused the incoming of international buyers. **With the support of the Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation (MAECI) and ITA – Italian Trade Agency**, the shared programme will welcome **more than 230 qualified international buyers** from key markets, selected according to the needs of participating companies. The aim is to connect brands with increasingly qualified buyers while offering a wide, complementary selection that responds to the changing dynamics of the market.

At the heart of this new collaboration will be the **Top Buyers Lounge, supported by the Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation (MAECI) and ITA - Italian Trade Agency**, and realized in **synergy between MIPEL and Milano Fashion & Jewels in Hall 5**. This exclusive, functional area for international buyers is designed to facilitate meetings, networking and business relationships in a private setting.



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*"The leather goods market is undergoing a deep transformation, and trade shows must evolve as well. Today, buyers are looking not only for products, but also for partners, ideas and solutions that can support increasingly targeted and international business strategies. This is why we are working to make MIPEL an ever more open and international platform, through closer integration with Fiera Milano's fashion ecosystem and increasingly qualified buyer recruitment, also thanks to the **invaluable support of the Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation (MAECI) and ITA- Italian Trade Agency.** Our goal is to create new relationships and tangible business opportunities for companies," says **Claudia Sequi, MIPEL and Assopellettieri President.***

The collaboration with Milano Fashion & Jewels also extends to the **"Made in Italy Fashion Show"**, a **fashion show** that enhances the collections by Italian brands exhibiting at the fair. It will take place on **Monday, 14 September at 10:30 a.m. in the Milano Fashion & Jewels Fashion Hub in Hall 10.** For the first time, selected **MIPEL** brands will have the opportunity to present **standout pieces from their bag and accessory collections** on the runway to a qualified audience of industry professionals and international buyers. The initiative increases the visibility of participating companies and takes their products beyond the exhibition setting into the storytelling and international presentation.

The collaboration with **MICAM** also continues and grows stronger within **"M&M – The Hub"**, the shared area that **represents the synergy between the two events.** Located in the centre of Hall 5, the Hub brings together projects focused on education, innovation, trends and a new generation of brands, creating an environment where **leather goods and footwear engage through complementary content and experiences.**

Among the key initiatives **"M&M – The Factory & The Academy Hub"**, which strengthens the connection between education and live experience in this edition. A programme of **workshops and seminars for schools and students** stand by a **working laboratory illustrating the stages involved in making a leather item and a footwear product.** This will give buyers and visitors a tangible insight into the skills, technologies and manufacturing processes that define Made in Italy. Thanks to the **collaboration with Arsutoria, Assomac and leading advanced-technology companies,** the project connects craftsmanship, technological innovation and new production processes. The protagonists include **latest-generation machinery equipped with machine-vision systems and artificial intelligence,** able to recognise materials and independently programming processing paths. **Visitors will also have the possibility to realize an exclusive MIPEL & MICAM co-branded gadget personalised with their initials in real time.**

Networking opportunities, DJ sets, popcorn, ice cream and customised canned drinks will add further energy to the Hub in a format that combines business, education and entertainment.

"M&M – The SS 2027 Highlights" also returns within **"M&M – The Hub"**. Created through the synergy between MIPEL and MICAM, the area explores the **key style directions for the Spring/Summer 2027 season.** Bags, accessories and footwear come together in a single visual and tactile journey, interpreting emerging trends through a selection of shapes, colours, materials and details. Products become a lens through which to read the evolution of fashion, offering buyers and professionals an immediate and inspiring overview of new market directions.

"M&M – The Italian Startup Project" is also confirmed. Developed **in collaboration with the Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation (MAECI) and ITA- Italian Trade Agency,** the project presents a selection of emerging Italian brands and talents distinguished by their creativity, innovation, research and ability to interpret market developments, providing them with a platform for visibility, exchange and international growth.



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For this edition, **Showcase Milano** once again presents a **selection of fashion and design brands recognised for experimentation, innovation and contemporary vision**. This special area is dedicated to companies exploring **new creative languages through research into materials, forms, and production and processing techniques**, bringing design, craftsmanship and innovation into dialogue. It is a showcase for concepts to interpret the industry's evolution and anticipating its trends.

The event's international reach is further extended through **MIPEL Livestreaming**, a format that takes selected collections from the fair directly to overseas markets **through live-shopping sessions hosted by international streamers**. From dedicated stations, streamers will showcase and sell a selection of products from MIPEL brands live to their audiences via social media. This model expands companies' visibility beyond the boundaries of the trade show and opens up new business opportunities, with a particular focus on Asian markets, where live commerce is now a well-established purchasing channel.

The evolution of the format, stronger collaborations with other trade shows and a growing international focus confirm **MIPEL's commitment to supporting the industry through a period of continuous market transformation**. More than a trade show, **MIPEL presents itself as an ecosystem where business, networking, innovation and experience come together, creating a meeting point for companies, buyers and industry professionals** while offering an increasingly broad perspective on the changes shaping leather goods and fashion accessories.

The September event is part of the **Fashion Link Milano** calendar, the project that brings together **MI-CAM, MIPEL, Milano Fashion & Jewels, TheOneMilano, Lineapelle and Simac Tanning Tech** at the same time, offering buyers an integrated overview of the latest news across key fashion sectors in one location.

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