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As Heimtex 2022 is approaching the visa section of the Consulate General of the Federal Republic of Germany in Karachi would like to inform you about the visa process and especially the additional requirements related to the ongoing pandemic situation.

An overview about the forms and documents that should be submitted with the application can be found on our <u>website</u>. In addition, kindly pay attention to the attached information sheet regarding COVID-related (vaccine) requirements.

Please keep in mind that 15 days are necessary to process your applications. Thus <u>the</u> <u>last possible date to apply in time for a visa</u> to visit Heimtex is <u>22.12.2021</u>. Appointments can be booked through our online system.

To facilitate bigger groups applying from the same company (5 people or more), the visa section can arrange group appointments. Please inform us in detail (covering letter mentioning full name and passport number of the applicants) <u>latest by 29.10.2021</u> if your organization would like to be considered for a group appointment.

We thank you in advance for being in time for your appointment and submitting your application complete with all required documents.

Best regards

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Information sheet: COVID-related requirements to visit a trade fair in Germany

The entry of business travellers to visit or exhibit on trade fairs is currently possible for persons who meet one of the following criteria:

Travellers who have been vaccinated with one of the <u>vaccines listed on the website of the Paul-Ehrlich-Institute</u> and whose last required vaccination was administered at least 14days ago can enter Germany. This currently applies solely to vaccines approved by the European Medicines Agency (EMA). To enter Germany, a digital EU COVID certificate or comparable proof of vaccination in digital or analogue form (paper form) in German, English, French, Italian or Spanish must be presented.

<u>OR</u>

- 2. Travellers who can prove the absolute necessity of entry by submitting the following documents with their application:
 - In the case of **trade fair exhibitors**, confirmation of participation from the trade fair organizer.
 - In case of **trade fair visitors**, the entry ticket to the trade fair <u>as well as</u> a confirmation of at least one trade fair exhibitor that an appointment has been made for a business meeting on site at the trade fair.

Please keep in mind that the information given above is based on the current regulations. Entry and quarantine regulations may change in the future. The final decision on whether to allow entry is made at the dutiful discretion of the officers at the border control upon entry.

For current quarantine and entry regulations please also check the following websites:

Federal Foreign Office
Federal Ministry of the Interior, Building and Community
Federal Ministry of Health

To lodge an application, please book an appointment through our online system.

Holders of valid multiple-year visa can travel to a trade fair on the condition that they meet the requirements of one of the groups mentioned above.