

## Exhibition Preview



# IFFS/AFS 2006:

## Global Outlook On The Furniture Industry

With a strong line-up of debutantes and loyal repeat exhibitors, the International Furniture Fair Singapore 2006, held in conjunction with the 23<sup>rd</sup> ASEAN Furniture Show (IFFS/AFS 2006), has the furniture industry buzzing with anticipation.

**TO BE HELD FROM MARCH 1-5 2006, IFFS/AFS 2006 IS SET TO OCCUPY 60,000 SQ M OF GROSS SPACE AT THE** Singapore Expo, making it arguably the largest, annual, trade show in Singapore, and a premier export platform for the furniture industry of the world.

Organised by the International Furniture Fair Singapore Pte Ltd, about 480 exhibitors from some 30 countries will be proudly displaying more than 32,000 furniture and furnishing products to international visitors from all over the world. China, Hong Kong, Singapore, Indonesia, Taiwan, Vietnam, the Philippines, the United States, Turkey, and Malaysia are among the top exhibiting countries, occupying a combined gross space exceeding 40,000 sq m. Indeed, the IFFS/AFS has the largest collection of quality Indonesian, Vietnamese, Taiwanese, Filipino, and Chinese furniture exhibitors, outside of these respective countries. Other prominent players from Australia, New Zealand, Sri Lanka, Mexico, Myanmar, Japan, Belgium, France, Germany, India, Ireland, Italy, Korea, The Netherlands, Thailand, and United Kingdom will spice up the show's variety and vibrancy.

Also expected to join the excitement will be exhibitors from other European and Scandinavian countries.

The unparalleled offerings at IFFS/AFS 2006 include the art nouveau, antique reproduction, baroque, modern, neo-classical, contemporary, European, oriental, renaissance, retro, rustic, Scandinavian and zen furniture classes. Buyers can also browse through the wide selections from the ever-popular Soft Furnishings and Home Accessories section of the show.

The IFFS/AFS is also well-known for its distinct focus on furniture design, reflected through its array of design-related features and activities. These features and activities include the Furniture Design Award 2006, Design Gallery, International Furniture Design Forum, the FLIP! Challenge, and the Best Exhibit Award. **FDM**