BARMAG
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Barmag Application Center China officially inaugurated

Remscheid, November 26, 2026 – At ITMA ASIA + CITME 2026, Barmag showcased its comprehensive portfolio of technologies spanning the entire value chain from melt to filament, fibers and nonwovens. At the same time, the company has marked another important milestone in its local innovation strategy in China.

On November 19, 2026, the Barmag Application Center China (BACC) was officially inaugurated. As a key initiative to further strengthen Barmag's localized innovation capabilities, BACC serves as a platform connecting advanced research, experimental validation and customer applications. It provides local support for pre-development concept verification, customer trials and the development of new product variants.

Through this platform, customers will be able to conduct product trials and process validations under conditions closely aligned with the realities of the Chinese market. This enables faster evaluation cycles, minimizes disruptions to existing production lines and accelerates the transition from proof of concept to industrial-scale implementation.

Bridging R&D in Germany and the Chinese market
One of BACC's core objectives is to shorten the distance between research and industrial application. From the very beginning, the center was designed to serve as a bridge between Barmag's fundamental research activities in Germany and the application requirements of customers in China.

Its proximity to key markets, customers and suppliers enables faster testing and closer collaboration during the early validation phase. As a result, the Chinese market is no longer only a destination for established technologies. It is also becoming an increasingly important source of innovation and application-driven development.

Challenges identified at customer sites, opportunities created by new materials and ideas emerging from suppliers can all be translated into concrete development and validation projects at BACC. The knowledge and experience generated during these activities are then fed back into Barmag's global R&D network, creating a continuous cycle of innovation and learning.

One platform, countless possibilities for innovation
To achieve this goal, flexibility has been a key design principle from the very beginning. The center has been conceived as a versatile development environment capable of supporting a broad range of technologies, materials and process configurations. This ensures maximum adaptability to future requirements and creates the foundation for a wide variety of development and validation projects.

Connecting spinning and texturing for a more integrated technology chain
Another distinctive feature of BACC is the integration of spinning and texturing development resources within a single platform. This approach not only enables the shared use of laboratories, personnel and infrastructure, but also facilitates the transfer of know-how between spinning and downstream processing technologies. From the early planning stages, the combination of spinning and DTY

capabilities was identified as a strategic direction to strengthen collaboration across different technology fields.

For R&D teams, this creates the opportunity to observe and analyze the entire process chain, from raw materials and spinning through to subsequent texturing operations. The interaction between polymer properties, spinning parameters and texturing conditions can therefore be investigated in a more systematic manner.

For customers, the platform offers a unique opportunity to experience Barmag's technological expertise from spinning to texturing in one location and to carry out more comprehensive joint validation projects focused on specific applications.

The real value lies in the future
The commissioning of the equipment does not mark the completion of the BACC journey. On the contrary, it marks the beginning. The long-term value of BACC is not defined by the number of machines installed today, but by its ability to continuously connect market requirements, customer challenges, supplier innovations and Barmag's global R&D capabilities.

Whenever a new polymer is introduced, a customer pursues a new product specification, an unresolved production challenge emerges or a new process concept is developed, BACC provides a validation environment that is closer to real market conditions, enabling:

- Faster validation
- Faster learning
- Faster innovation

This is the long-term mission of BACC. Ultimately, BACC is designed to bring Barmag's innovation activities closer to the market, accelerate the conversion of market insights into technological advancements and support the development of new products, new processes and new applications.

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Caption: Barmag Application Center China (BACC) officially inaugurated in Suzhou



Caption: Speech by Shigang Li, GM of Barmag Beijing and Richard Wang, GM of Barmag Suzhou



Caption: Management representatives from China and Germany jointly marked the inauguration of BACC



Caption: Barmag colleagues from around the world and business partners toured BACC

About Barmag
Since 2026, the Swiss Rieter Group has been operating its man-made fibers business as subsidiary under the traditional name Barmag. This includes the established product brands Barmag and Neumag. As a future-oriented company, the research and development of Barmag is driven by energy-efficiency and sustainable technologies.

Barmag is one of the leading providers of manmade fibers filament spinning systems, texturing machines, BCF systems, staple fibers systems and solutions for the production of nonwovens. Together with its range of polycondensation and extrusion systems and their key components, Barmag caters to

the entire manufacturing process – from the monomer all the way through to the textured yarn – and supports it with customer-oriented engineering services. The product portfolio is rounded off with automation and digital solutions. In addition, Barmag offers high-precision gear metering pumps for the textile industry and other sectors, including the automotive, chemical and paint industries.

The main markets for the Barmag product portfolio are in Asia, particularly in China, India, Türkiye and the USA. Worldwide, Barmag – with round about 2,500 employees – has a presence in 120 countries with production, sales and distribution and service organizations. At the Research and Development centers in Remscheid, Neumünster (Germany), and Suzhou (China), highly qualified engineers, technologists and technicians develop innovative and technologically leading products for tomorrow's world.

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