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## **WELCOME TO MARCA by BolognaFiere** DIGITAL SESSION, 15-25 Marzo 2021





































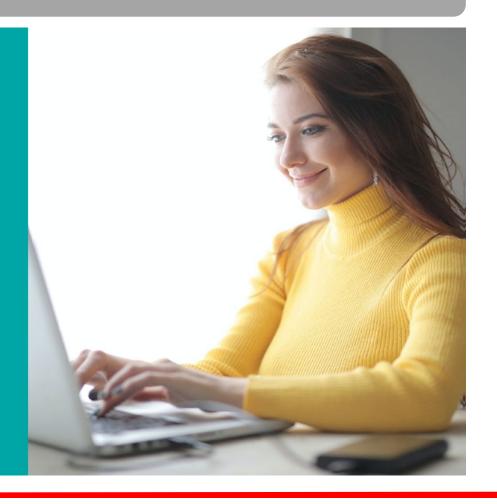






# Virtual Event Solution











## MARCA DIGITAL SESSION

- HOW MARKETPLACE WORKS
- MEETINGS & NETWORKING
- EXPERIENCE IN B2MATCH
- HOW MARCA DIGITAL SESSION WILL WORK?



#### **B2MATCH – ADVANTAGES OF USING THE PLATFORM**

- Flexible Tool that allows to organize face to face or also online meetings
- Marca's Exhibitors and Buyers have already used this platform with great satisfaction. They really appreciated it for its Fast and intuitive navigation and easy registration process
- All the Exhibitors' data registered to MARCA 2021 Digital Session will be included on the platform
- The platform will be available in both English and Italian





## **B2MATCH – HOW MARKETPLACE WORKS**

- Participants can create their profile listing details and information, also including images or video for products, services, special requests
- Participants can browse, evaluate and select potential partner profiles to invite them



## **B2MATCH – MEETINGS & NETWORKING (1)**

- Buyers and Exhibitors communicate directly, organize and plan meetings with each other during the booking phase and the event
- The platform will be active for quite a long time (from the 15th to the 25th of March 2021) to encourage introductory meetings
- Participants can send messages and request meetings to all the potential partner profiles for which they are interested in
- BolognaFiere will monitor on a daily basis the progress of registration, booking and meetings, so that to solve possible problematic cases (no show, meeting shifts, etc)



#### **B2MATCH – HOW WILL WORK IN THE 2021**

#### **MARCA** Digital Session is organized in three steps:

- 1 REGISTRATION: Exhibitors joining MARCA 2021 will be invited to subscribe on the platform by BolognaFiere; also Buyers will register on b2match by entering their company details and writing their requests in the Marketplace area
- 2 BOOKING: Once all the buyers and the exhibitors will be on the platform, from 15th February till the last day of the event, it will be possible to book and organize meetings (request, confirm, re scheduled or delete them)
- 3 DIGITAL SESSION: from the 15th to the 25th of March



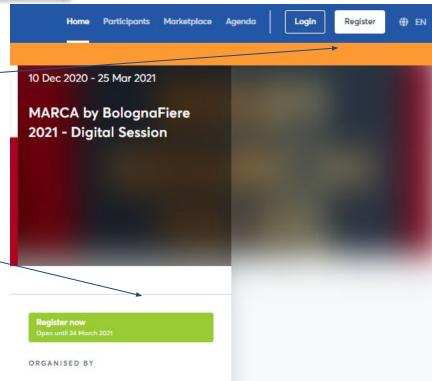
## **REGISTRATION PROCEDURE**

On the dedicated page of MARCA Website you can find the link to MARCA 2021 on B2Match

https://marca-by-bolognafiere-2021-digital.b2match.io/

On the landing page it is possible to Log in or to Register.

By clicking on Register Now buyers will access the page for the creation of a new account























## **REGISTRATION PROCEDURE**



Sign in

It's good to see you again!

Email	
Password	
Remember me	

Don't have an account?

Forgot your password?
Didn't receive confirmation instructions?

Didn't receive unlock instructions?

The Buyer will create an account by entering his email address

(where he will receive all the meetings requests ) and setting up his personal password

If the buyer has already used the platform for past events, it is also possible to retrieve the login details



#### **BUYER PROFILE**

During the registration process the buyer has to enter his name and surname then select his participation type

By selecting *«Buyer»* he will have the opportunity to request meetings and receive meeting requests by the Exhibitors of MARCA 2021 Digital Session

#### Participant Type \*

Participation Types are used to group participants by type in order to distinguish them in the system and to apply booking rules (Examples: start-up cannot book investor, buyer can only book seller, exhibitor can only book visitor).

Buyer ~





#### **BUYER PROFILE**

Personal Information: POSITION in your company and PHONE NUMBER.

Please note that these information will not be seen by the other participants but only to BolognaFiere staff to contact you in case of need

Personal Information

OB POSITION		
PHONE		



#### **CREATING YOUR BUYER PROFILE**

#### **Company Information**

In creating your profile you will be requested to add some information in order to give a **presentation of your company**: the process is quick, but we suggest to be as accurate as possible, because these details will be visible to the <u>Exhibiting companies</u> (who will use these details to decide whether to ask for or to accept a meeting or not).





#### **CREATING YOUR BUYER PROFILE**

## **Company Information**



As a suggestion, you could add some reference to your buyer's business, especially if you are looking for a particular product or if you are searching for items with specific features.



#### **CREATING YOUR BUYER PROFILE**

#### **Business Field**

In this section you can highlight and select the business area you are interested in: you shall choose the products which are suitable for your activity in order to receive suitable meeting requests.

The area of activity is one of the parameters/active filters for the research in the matchmaking process

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Fruit and vegetables Poto	itoes Eggs	Pasta, Pizza	Ready meals
Other frozen and refrigerated	d food		
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Brioches, croissants			
helf Stable Products			
Pasta, rice Canned Fruits	and Vegetables	Soups C	anned Meat and Poultry
Cereals, muesli Baking mi	ixes Sugar and	d sweeteners	
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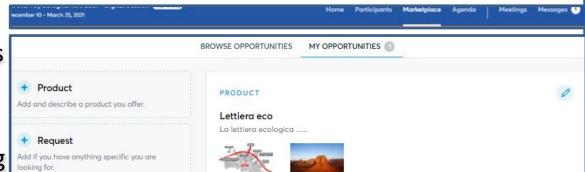




#### **CREATING YOUR BUYER PROFILE**

## Marketplace

As a further chance in this area you can mark some specific products or services you are searching for by filling the Request field within the My Opportunities option.



You don't need to enter any data: the "product" area is especially dedicated to manufacturers to present their latest or best-selling products, and it is notably useful in the consultation stage (so you can book an appointment)



#### **CREATING YOUR BUYER PROFILE**

Marketplace: Completing the Request field

In the Marketplace area you can look for particular products or services: these requests will be seen by the participating companies, who will be able to browse their research by keywords.

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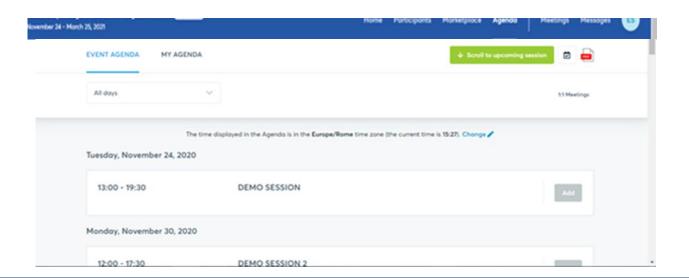




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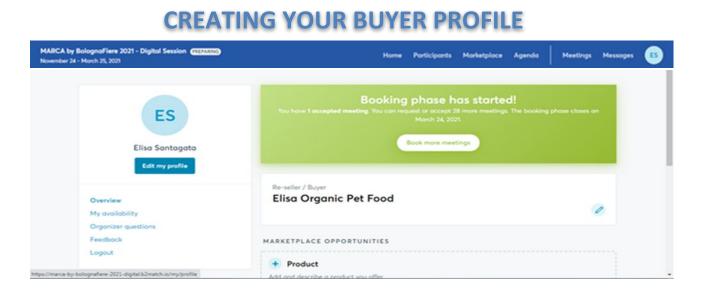
The meeting calendar has been scheduled by sessions which allow great flexibility: the buyer can decide whether to take part to all the sessions or only to some of them, depending on his or her commitments.

Choose the Agenda field to select the sessions you prefer: time slots have been conceived in order to allow the matching participation of buyers from Asia and U.S. (starting time 7:00 am — ending time 10:00 pm)









Enter the platform with your account credentials to modify your profile: you can update information (OVERVIEW), add businesses and/or products you are interested in (MARKETPLACE), you can change days and time slots of your meetings (MY AVAILABILITY or AGENDA).





#### **B2MATCH - 2. STEP: BOOKING**

#### **BOOKING A VIRTUAL MEETING**

Starting from February 15 registered buyers can browse the list of the participating companies; from that date it will be possible to network and set the agenda.

Select the Participants field in your profile page to see all companies registered until that moment.

You can select the most interesting meetings for you by using the filters of the menu on the left side of the page.

Remember to check on a regular basis for new participants!

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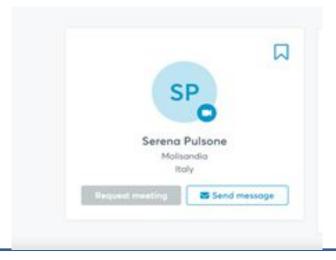




#### **B2MATCH - 2. STEP: BOOKING**

#### **BOOKING A VIRTUAL MEETING**

The booking process is simple: click on the exhibitor name in the Participants list to see all the detailed information concerning the company or to send a message and request a meeting







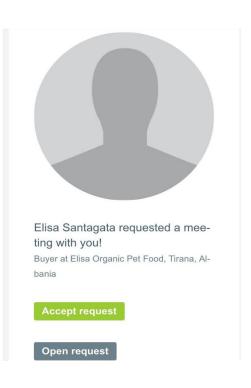
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#### **BOOKING A VIRTUAL MEETING**

The invited person will receive an email message containing the option of accepting the invitation.

The invited person can check the company information available on the profile and the decide whether to accept or to refuse the invitation.

The decision will appear through a message in the B2Match messages area.





#### **B2MATCH – 2. STEP: BOOKING**

#### **BOOKING A VIRTUAL MEETING**

It will be possible to book meetings as long as there will be free meeting time slots (30 minutes each) in the participants' availability.

Please note that the platform can display available meetings **only if the buyer and the exhibitor share at least one session** (if this condition is not satisfied the meeting cannot be booked, but it will be possible to send a message to the person through the process previously showed).

It is very important to CONFIRM the meetings: only the confirmed ones can be included in the buyer's and private label partner's calendar.

Pending meetings will be cancelled after 10 days!



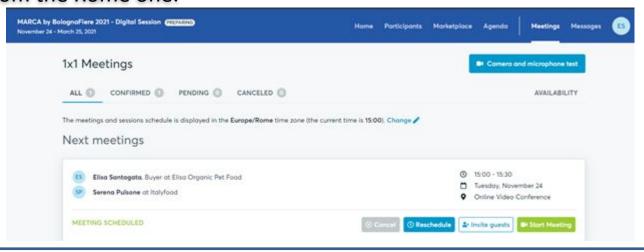


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#### **BOOKING A VIRTUAL MEETING**

The confirmed meeting enters the personal agenda, which can always be accessed for consultation or printing in the personal page.

Participants can also sync the B2MATCH agenda to their calendar app (Google calendar, Outlook, ...) and **manage the schedule according to their time zone**, if it is different from the Rome one.



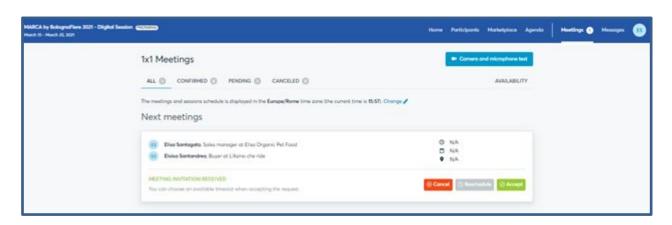


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#### **BOOKING A VIRTUAL MEETING**

## How to accept a meeting request

The person who has been invited can accept or refuse the invitation from the Meeting area







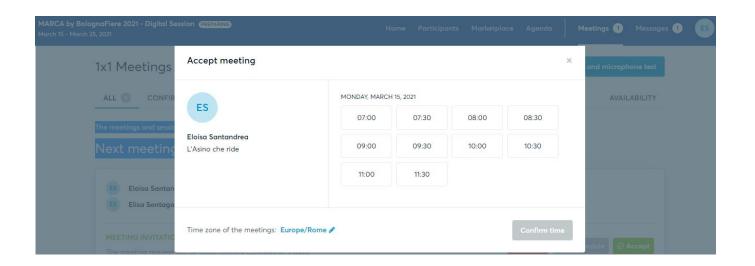


#### **B2MATCH – 2. STEP: BOOKING**

#### **BOOKING A VIRTUAL MEETING**

## Choosing the time slot

By clicking the **Accept** option a time table will be displayed, and the invited person can choose the preferred time slot for the meeting.



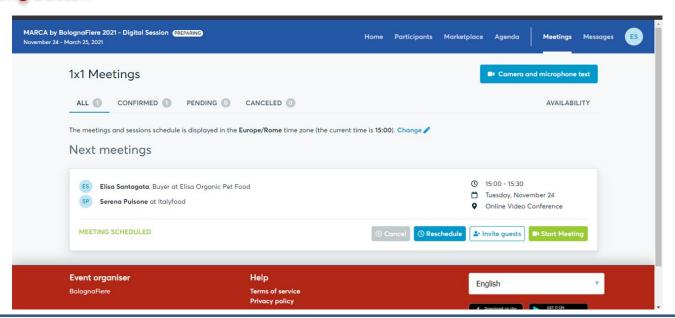




#### **B2MATCH - 3. STEP: DIGITAL SESSION**

## THE DIGITAL SESSION (MARCH 15 – 25, 2021)

By logging in the personal page and choosing the Meeting option the buyer can join the meeting on the agreed day. The buyer will enter the video platform by clicking the Start meeting button



















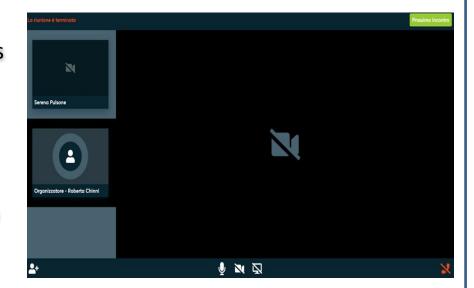


#### **B2MATCH – 3. STEP: DIGITAL SESSION**

#### WHAT CAN YOU DO THROUGH THE VIDEO PLATFORM?

## Once the meeting has started:

- a timer is displayed (conversation is not interrupted at the end of the given time: the timer helps participants avoid skipping the forthcoming meeting)
- the buyer can have another person joining the meeting
- participants can share their screen





















#### **B2MATCH – 3. STEP: DIGITAL SESSION**

#### FINAL FEEDBACK

You can help us improve our service from the technical point of view: we kindly ask the buyers to take a little time to assess the meetings held (you can give us your impressions and motivations in your Profile area by choosing the Feedback option).









## **B2MATCH**

