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**EuroBLECH Digital Innovation Summit 2020 starts next week: The new digital meeting place for the international sheet metal working community
Webinar programme and Online Presentation Theatre to round up the unique visitor experience**

The first EuroBLECH Digital Innovation Summit, taking place online from 27 – 30 October 2020, provides a much anticipated trade and networking event for the global sheet metal working community, which has been impacted by the ongoing Covid-19 crisis. The EuroBLECH Digital Innovation Summit is a four-day online trading, networking and webinar event for professionals from the entire sheet metal working technology chain. Visitors can virtually meet relevant exhibitors, watch informative product presentations and follow webinars on current industry trends, followed by live Q&A Sessions. Similar to a live event there are several options for visitors to get in touch with exhibitors: drop their business card at the virtual stand, pre-book meetings with exhibitors or instantly contact exhibitors as they browse the virtual stand. The opening times of the online event are from 27 – 30 October 2020, from 8am to 4pm GMT. Visitors can participate for free and the platform is now open for registration and pre-booking of meetings.

Discover latest technological innovations: Presentation Theatre and Product Showcases

Visitors can discover the latest innovations, presented in the Virtual Presentation Theatre by selected EuroBLECH exhibitors. Each exhibitor presentation lasts around 15 minutes and will demonstrate their latest product innovations and technologies, followed by a live Q&A session. Companies presenting their latest developments are Bystronic Laser, Lantek, Lumentum, Mazak, Prima Power, Salvagnini and TRUMPF Group. In addition, Virtual Product Showcases create a virtual stand experience and allow visitors to explore new products and services of EuroBLECH exhibitors in more detail.

Virtual meetings with exhibitors

The matchmaking functionality is now available to arrange pre-booked meetings, with all meetings taking place from 27 – 30 October live on the EuroBLECH Digital Innovation Summit platform. Arranging for a meeting is very easy and intuitive, with no third-party software required. Visitors simply login, fill in their profile with their interests and can then start searching for exhibitors to send out meeting invites.

EuroBLECH goes DIGITAL: The Webinar Programme

A daily programme of webinars by industry experts provides an opportunity to gain useful insights into the latest market developments as well as technical expertise concerning new industry applications and solutions. Key players from the industry as well as trade bodies provide exclusive insights into latest technologies and case studies on subjects such as Digitalisation, Forming and Separation Technology, Automation and Process Optimisation. The conference language is mainly English. The webinar programme consists of eight hosted sessions, each followed by a live Q&A session to answer questions from the audience.

Tuesday, 27 October 2020

9:00 – 10:00 GMT: Digitalisation and the Smart Factory of the Future

This session focuses on the digital future of sheet metal working: digitalisation in manufacturing, digital laser solutions and many more. Companies featured are Bystronic Laser AG, Eckelmann AG, IBM Services, Laserline GmbH and TRUMPF Group.

14:30 – 15:30 GMT: Forming Technology for Improved Design

This session puts a spotlight on forming technology – press hardened steel for automotive applications, the press shop of the future, bainitic steels and much more. Companies featured in this session are Coşkunöz Holding, Fibro GmbH, thyssenkrupp Hohenlimburg GmbH as well as WBM Staalservice.

Wednesday, 28 October 2020

9:00 – 10:00 GMT: China Sheet Metal Working Industry after Covid 19

This session features insights from China and how the sheet metal working industry is coping with the aftermath of the Covid 19 pandemic. Companies presenting in this session include Bystronic China, China Chamber of Commerce for Import & Export of Machinery & Electronic Products, Han's Laser and Wuhan Raycus Fiber Laser Technologies Co., Ltd.

14:30 – 15:30 GMT: Separation Technology – Latest Cutting Technologies – Plasma, Laser, Waterjet and more!

This session concentrates on the latest trends in cutting and separation technologies: plasma, laser and waterjet technologies will be presented. Companies featured in this session are Ekowa GmbH, Finepart Sweden AB, Messer Cutting Systems GmbH and TRUMPF Group.

Thursday, 29 October 2020

9:00 – 10:00 GMT: Digitalisation – Machine-To-Machine Communication

Machine-To-Machine Communication is the focal point of this session – and how manufacturing companies can implement the latest technologies in Industry 4.0. Companies featured in this session are EWM AG, Mitaş Endüstri San. Tic. A.Ş. as well as ProCom GmbH.

14:30 – 15:30 GMT: Trends for the Future – Joining and Forming Technology (in German)

The European Research Association for Sheet Metal Working and its research partners will provide an exclusive insight into future trends in sheet metal working. The webinar will be held in German. The heads of the Institute of Forming Technology and Forming Machines, Hanover, and the Laboratory for Materials and Joining Technology, Paderborn, will present new developments in sustainability and digitalisation. Followed by a live Q&A session to answer questions from the audience.

Friday, 30 October 2020

09:00 – 10:00 GMT: Automation – Latest Automation Technologies in Sheet Metal Working

Automation in sheet metal working – an important topic for companies dealing with the shortage of skilled workers. The latest trends in robotics and laser tube cutting for mass production will feature in this session. Companies presenting are AUTOCAM GmbH, Hans Weber Maschinenfabrik GmbH, Yamazaki Mazak UK Ltd as well as J. Schmalz GmbH.

14:30 – 15:30 GMT: Process Optimisation – How to Increase Efficiency and Productivity

This session will focus on process optimisation, increasing productivity and manufacturing more efficiently. Companies presenting in this session are: Cenit AG, DEMAG Cranes & Components GmbH, Eisenwerk Würth GmbH, Kočevar d.o.o., LAP GmbH Laser Applikationen and Prima Power.

Further information can be found at:

<https://www.euroblech.com/2020/english/event/digitalsummit/>.

Visitor registration for the EuroBLECH Digital Innovation Summit is free and available at:

<https://euroblech.eventnetworking.com/register>

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