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## GrindingHub 2024: Registration now open

Companies can now secure a place at the grinding technology trade fair

**Frankfurt am Main, 3 May 2023** – Interested in showcasing your innovative products and technologies to a select target group? Companies will be able to do just that from 14 to 17 May 2024 at GrindingHub in Stuttgart. After successfully launching the event last year, the organizer VDW (German Machine Tool Builders' Association) – in cooperation with Messe Stuttgart and Schleiftagung, and with the "Machine Tools" sector of Swissmem (Association of the Swiss Mechanical, Electrical and Metal Industries) on board as institutional patron – is keen to repeat the success as it opens registration for the event. Dr. Wilfried Schäfer, Executive Director of the VDW, is full of anticipation: "We launched the GrindingHub in 2022 – attracting large numbers of satisfied exhibitors and visitors. We want to build on this in the coming year. We are already looking forward to seeing everyone again in Stuttgart and are extending a warm invitation to all grinding experts – encouraging them not to miss this highlight in the industry calendar."

The success of the GrindingHub is also confirmed by the positive feedback from exhibitors. Along with many others, Bernd Dürr, Head of the Grinding Business Unit at the Emag Group in Salach, was highly impressed by the event and is planning to return: "We are more than satisfied with what we achieved at the GrindingHub. The event provided us with an excellent platform for presenting our machines, technologies and services to a broad trade audience and for establishing valuable contacts. We really appreciated the opportunity to network with other exhibitors and professionals from the sector. We were most impressed by the overall concept and firmly intend to return to the

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GrindingHub." In 2024, the focus will again be on grinding machines and abrasives, but also on the entire production environment of grinding technology, such as appropriate software tools, process peripherals, and measuring and testing systems. Interested companies can [register](#) now to secure their place at the grinding technology trade fair. Further information is also available on the GrindingHub homepage at [www.grindinghub.de](http://www.grindinghub.de).

The hybrid nature of GrindingHub means that those who don't want to wait another year until the next event can find out now about the latest grinding technology. This is because the GrindingHub is there for its participants even in the years with no fair: The VDW, in cooperation with the IndustryArena business network, offers the industry a digital platform under the 360°SPECIAL brand. On 23 May 2023, companies will be given the opportunity to give 6-minute pitches on their new products and technologies to an international online audience, and to make contact with potential customers. The event will be presided over by an expert moderator and also include scientific presentations on current topics. Further information can be found on the website at [www.grindinghub-digital.de](http://www.grindinghub-digital.de).

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### **Background to GrindingHub in Stuttgart**

The GrindingHub 2024 will be held from 14 to 17 May 2024 in Stuttgart. Launched in 2022, it is the new trade fair for grinding technology. It runs every two years and is organized by the VDW (German Machine Tool Builders' Association), Frankfurt am Main, in cooperation with Messe Stuttgart and the Schleiftagung, as well as the "Machine Tools" industry sector of Swissmem (Association of the Swiss Mechanical, Electrical and Metal Industries) as institutional patron. Grinding is one of the top 3 manufacturing processes within the machine tool industry in Germany. In 2022, the sector produced machines to the value of 964 million euros, according to official statistics. 74 per cent of these were exported, with about half going to Europe. The largest sales markets are China, the USA and Italy. Internationally, China, Japan and Germany lead the world rankings. In 2021, the grinding technology sector produced 4.7 billion euros worth of machines. According to VDW estimates, the production volume could have risen to over 5 billion euros in 2022.

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