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JEC FORUM DACH

The JEC Forum DACH is organised by the JEC in partnership with the AVK and brings together the composite materials community from Germany, Austria and Switzerland. Each year, the event changes its location within the DACH region in order to strengthen the regional ecosystem and promote exchange with local companies, research centres and user industries.

On **21st and 22nd October 2025**, the forum will stop in Dresden – a city with a strong industrial character and an excellent reputation in research and technology. Here, innovations in the field of composite materials meet excellence in development and application.

WHAT YOU CAN EXPECT:

- ✓ Personal business meetings between buyers and suppliers along the entire composite materials value chain
- ✓ Business conferences and market prospects
- ✓ Interactive workshops: Suppliers present their latest products and solutions
- ✓ Recognition of outstanding technologies from the DACH region – with the prestigious AVK Awards and the JEC Composites Startups' Innovation Session

The complete program is now online!

Find out about all the highlights and register directly – we look forward to welcoming you to Dresden!



Following the great success of recent years, the time has finally come again: SMCCREATE is entering its third round and invites you to the Vienna House Diplomat in Prague on **4th-5th November 2025!**

The European conference brings together experts, companies and research institutes from across the entire SMC/BMC value chain.

You can look forward to a compact, high-calibre program with 15 specialist presentations on the topics of market &

trends, sustainability and design – presented by leading players such as AOC, Owens Corning, Menzolit and TU Delft. SMC (sheet moulding compound) and BMC (bulk moulding compound) are high-performance fibre composites that are particularly suitable for the manufacture of lightweight, complex-shaped components – they combine structural properties with a smooth surface. For this reason, SMC and BMC are increasingly being used in a wide range of end applications and markets.

The conference language will be English.

 [FIND OUT MORE AND REGISTER NOW!](#)

CG-MARKET SURVEY

For the 25th time, Composites Germany (www.composites-germany.de) has collected current key figures on the market for fiber-reinforced plastics. All member companies of the supporting associations of Composites Germany: AVK and Composites United as well as the associated partner VDMA were surveyed.

- Slight improvement in assessment of current business situation
- Future expectations show positive trends
- Investment climate brightens
- Expectations for application industries vary
- Growth drivers show slight movements
- Composites index turns positive

 [READ THE PRESS RELEASE HERE](#)

WPC – CALL FOR PAPERS

The EPTA – European Pultrusion Technology Association, in cooperation with the American Composites Manufacturers Association (ACMA), invites you to the 18th Pultrusion Conference, which will take place on **5th–6th March 2026** in Valencia, Spain.

The conference takes place every two years and is the meeting place for the European and global pultrusion industry.

Presentations for the program can be submitted until 5th September 2025.

The presentations should document innovations in the following areas of pultruded reinforced plastics:

- Market development in Europe, the USA and Asia
- Innovative applications
- New markets: ideas for potential new applications with pultruded profiles or systems
- Sustainability: technical possibilities, recycling, etc.
- Raw materials
 - Development of fibres
 - Development of resins
- Design / testing / calculation
- Processes

 [FIND MORE INFORMATION ON THE EPTA WEBSITE!](#)

AVK-NAVIGATOR

The AVK Navigator is a comprehensive reference work that provides a comprehensive overview of our member companies and institutions along the value chain for fibre-reinforced plastics and technical thermosets.

The online version includes search functions that enable decision-makers from all over the world to quickly gain an overview of the structure and range of services along the entire value chain in the field of reinforced plastics.


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COMPOSITES REPORT

The latest edition of the AVK Composites Report was published in April 2025! The report is published twice a year and always covers current topics from the world of composites with contributions from our member institutes.

This edition of the Composites Report, which focuses on sustainability, presents ways to improve resource utilisation in processing methods (keyword: resource-efficient lightweight construction). You will also find articles on natural fibre-reinforced and bio-based sustainable materials. There are numerous technical possibilities for recycling in particular: the magazine presents solutions for recycling natural fibre materials, carbon fibre recycling and the topic

of life cycle assessment. With these articles, the AVK supports the dissemination of sustainable solutions in the composites industry and thus the future viability of our materials.



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AVK-SEMINARS

Let's continue – our seminars will start again in September! After the summer break, the second half of our seminar program will start in September. You can look forward to exciting content and practical formats!

Whether as a webinar or a face-to-face event, our training courses offer compact specialist knowledge on fibre composites, processes, applications and markets.

COMPOSITES FÜR DIE SERIE –KOMPAKTSEMINAR ZUM THEMA SMC/BMC

Compact seminar for (series) applications of SMC/BMC – practical & up to date

 Wesel |  26.–27. Aug 2025

COMPOSITES KOMPAKT (WEBINAR)

Introduction to the world of composites – ideal for beginners

 Online |  09. Sep 2025

COMPOSITES-MARKT KOMPAKT (WEBINAR)

Current market developments, trends and figures – condensed into 2 hours

 Online |  22. Sep 2025

ETABLIERTE VERFAHREN ZUR FERTIGUNG VON FASERVERBUNDWERKSTOFFE

Basic seminar on best practices in composite manufacturing

 Frankfurt/Main |  27. Okt 2025

WICKELVERFAHREN & PULTRUSION – MIT PRAXISTEIL PULTRUSION

Fundamentals, practical examples and applications of these key technologies

 Augsburg |  28.–29. Okt 2025

THERMOPLASTISCHE COMPOSITES – MATERIAL & RECYCLING

Material properties, applications and recycling of thermoplastics

 Augsburg |  11.–12. Nov 2025

EINFÜHRUNGSSEMINAR FASERVERSTÄRKTE KUNSTSTOFFE

The perfect seminar for deepening your basic knowledge of composites

 Pfinztal |  18. Nov 2025

PULTRUSION 4.0 – PRAXISNAHE DIGITALISIERUNG IN DER INDUSTRIE

 Using digital technologies specifically for composites manufacturing processes

 Augsburg |  19.–20. Nov 2025

EINSATZ VON LIFE CYCLE ASSESSMENT (LCA)

 Sustainable production and ecological production design

 Augsburg |  19.–20. Nov 2025

BIO-COMPOSITES – NACHHALTIGE FASERVERBUNDWERKSTOFFE

Focus on sustainable materials – fundamentals and applications of bio-composites

 Augsburg |  25.–26. Nov 2025

RECYCLING VON COMPOSITE-STRUKTUREN

Recycling options and technologies for composites – sound basic knowledge

 Augsburg |  20.–21. Jan 2026

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AVK-WORKING GROUPS

The AVK regularly organizes expert working groups on a wide range of topics related to composites. These provide a platform for professional exchange, active networking and joint content development.

The working groups not only hold lectures and stimulate discussion, but also produce specialist brochures, develop marketing strategies and provide impetus for industry development.

Current topics include:

- ▶ Sustainability & Recycling
- ▶ Material properties/e-mobility
- ▶ GRP in pipe, tank and plant construction
- ▶ Digitisation
- ▶ SMC/BMC

... and many other areas relevant to practice.

The working groups usually meet two to three times a year and are exclusively for AVK members.

Not a member yet, but interested?

Guests are welcome to drop in and check out a working group.

📧 For more info or to sign up:
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OVERVIEW OF
OUR WORKING
GROUPS

EUCIA NEWSLETTER

AVK has been working closely with the European Composites Industry Association (EuCIA) for many years and is an active member. The EuCIA newsletter provides regular updates on the latest news and developments.

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SOCIAL MEDIA

Stay informed between our newsletters! You can also find the latest insights, event tips and specialist ideas relating to composites on our social media channels!

Follow us and never miss another update:




AVK-MEMBERSHIP

Are you interested in participating in our AVK working groups or would you like to learn more about the AVK? Membership in the AVK offers you numerous advantages:

- ▶ **Active participation:** Employees of our member companies and institutes can get involved in specialised working groups and help shape the exchange within the industry.
- ▶ **Always up to date:** Our news ticker keeps you up to date with the latest news from the industry and the association.
- ▶ **Strong presence at events:** The AVK is represented at important trade fairs and industry events and organises its own seminars, conferences and congresses.

- ▶ **Targeted further training:** We attach great importance to training and qualification. Our specialist seminars are developed in close cooperation with users, experts and scientific institutes – practical and in tune with the latest developments.

Further information and the benefits of membership can be found on our website:

 <https://www.avk-tv.de/en/members-3/members/membership/>

Or contact us directly:

 info@avk-tv.de

OUR TEAM

Whether planning, organization or individual consultation – behind our events is a dedicated team that is there for you with expertise and passion.

Do you have questions about content, registration or funding opportunities? Feel free to contact us – we look forward to hearing from you!



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