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## **First expert forum Global Production**

### **Leading, designing and controlling excellent production networks**

How can production networks be excellently managed, designed and controlled in a dynamic environment?

The Laboratory for Machine Tools and Production Engineering WZL of the RWTH Aachen University in cooperation with the Institute of Production Science at the Karlsruhe Institute of Technology (KIT) and the Institute of Technology Management (ITEM) of the University of St. Gallen is organizing a first expert forum on Global Production on September 13, 2016 in Frankfurt/Main under this question.

Under the direction of Prof. Lanza (KIT), Prof. Friedli (HSG) and Prof. Schuh (RWTH Aachen), the participants will receive an intensive insight into current research questions on the topics of strategic management, the ideal design and optimization of global production networks and operational control in the network through impulse lectures and discussions. Practice-oriented lectures will complement the event and deepen the insight with best-practice examples and the teaching of relevant methods.

The event is intended for specialists and executives who want to learn and exchange information about the strategic management, design and operational control of globally distributed production networks. Interested participants are cordially invited to use the expert forum as an exchange of experience and knowledge to critically examine their global production network and to inform themselves about current trends in the global production environment.

All further information on participation in the first Expert Forum on Global Production can be found on [www.globaleproduktion.de](http://www.globaleproduktion.de).

### **Laboratory for Machine Tools and Production Engineering (WZL)**

The Laboratory for Machine Tools and Production Engineering (WZL) of RWTH Aachen University has stood worldwide for more than 100 years for future-oriented research and successful innovations in the field of production technology.

Under the leadership of four professors Christian Brecher, Fritz Klocke, Robert Schmitt und Günther Schuh, the WZL is conducting research in six areas - production technology, machine tools, production systems, transmission technology, production metrology and quality management - on the future-oriented design of production in high-wage countries. Together with industry partners from various sectors, the WZL develops solutions for a wide variety of production scenarios in both publicly funded and bilateral projects. These activities are being consolidated on the RWTH Aachen Campus in the Cluster Production Engineering.



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