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Aachen Machine Tool Colloquium AWK'21 will take place on June 10 and 11, 2021

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New Questions, Webinars and Digital Conference Booklet

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The 30th Aachen Machine Tool Colloquium will take place on June 10 and 11, 2021, at the Eurogress Aachen. Due to the developments concerning the spread of the corona virus (SARS-CoV-2), the AWK has been postponed from 2020 to 2021 with regard to the safety and health of participants, customers and employees and will therefore not take place in the usual three-year cycle.

With the upcoming year and the effects caused by the corona virus, which are already affecting many manufacturing companies and will have a long-term impact on the global economy, new questions arise about the future of production technology. The AWK's thematic focus remains "Internet of Production – Turning Data into Value", but next year's main objective will be to strengthen the resilience of companies, to enable them to deal with drastic economic crises and production downtimes in order to return to profitability within a short period of time. Therefore, the planned lecture program for AWK'21 will be updated and adapted.

The questions discussed in advance by numerous experts, how data in production contribute to value creation and which tools of the Internet of Production make this possible, have already been implemented in concrete content for the planned AWK'20. The resulting material will be made available to our customers and interested participants in digital form this year in the form of webinars and a digital conference booklet.

Tickets already purchased for participation in the 30th AWK will of course remain valid. Should further questions arise, the main organizer, Mr. Markus Meurer, will be looking forward to answer them.

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Laboratory for Machine Tools and Production Engineering (WZL)

The Laboratory for Machine Tools and Production Engineering (WZL) of RWTH Aachen University enhances the innovative strength and competitiveness of the industry with trend-setting basic research, applied research and the associated consulting and implementation projects in the field of production technology. Furthermore, practical solutions for rationalizing production are developed with industrial partners from a broad range of branches.