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Save the Date! AKL'18 from May 2-4, 2018

From novices to experienced users: The "AKL – International Laser Technology Congress" offers insights into the latest developments in the area of laser technology. With more than 600 international participants, over 70 speakers from research and industry and the accompanying Sponsors' exhibition the AKL has established itself as the leading forum for applied laser technology in Europe.

For the 12th time, laser manufacturers and users from different sectors will be gathering at AKL'18 in Aachen, Germany, to catch up on the top issues in the laser sector. Presentations about current developments in laser materials processing in macro and micro areas and in laser beam development provide a comprehensive overview. Additionally, interested persons can delve deeper into Process Control or Laser Additive Manufacturing, in two separate forums of the same name. In the Seminar Laser Technology ABC's less experienced users of laser technology can obtain the foundations on how lasers work and where they can be applied.

Between the presentations, the accompanying Sponsors' exhibition with more than 50 exhibitors offers the possibility to share information and make contact with acknowledged experts from the laser sector. Moreover, leading managers and marketing directors who want specific information on the status and perspectives in the European, American and Asian laser markets are invited to join the Technology Business Day.

In short, the AKL – International Laser Technology Congress bundles laser expertise and focusses future perspectives in one place.

Learn more about the upcoming AKL'18 and secure your early bird discount until March 9, 2018 online:

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Picture 1:

The accompanying Sponsors' exhibition is already booked up. It will provide the opportunity for intense knowledge sharing with insiders of the laser sector. © Fraunhofer ILT, Aachen, Germany.

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Picture 2: AKL'18– the extensive insight into the world of laser technology. © Fraunhofer ILT, Aachen, Germany.

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