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First ceramitec conference showcases the future of ceramics

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- **First edition attracts more than 200 attendees to Munich**
- **High-caliber experts from NASA, DLR & other prestigious companies and institutions inspired the audience with exciting presentations**
- **The next ceramitec trade fair will take place from 17 – 20 May 2021**

The ceramitec conference, the new conference format of the world's leading trade fair ceramitec, celebrated its successful premiere on 19 and 20 September 2019 with over 200 attendees from 21 countries. The focus of the agenda was on new industrial use opportunities for the material ceramic and the associated new (additive) manufacturing processes. High-caliber speakers from academia and industry illustrated how the material can contribute to solving a diverse range of future challenges in, for instance, the automotive, aerospace, electronics, manufacturing and health sectors. Sharing the stage with experts from institutions including NASA, DLR, various Fraunhofer Institutes and Universities, were experts from companies including Eirich, Netzsch and Xjet.

“Ceramic can now offer attractive opportunities for more and more applications and sectors. But this is still frequently unknown. To improve access to solutions using ceramic for new user sectors in particular, we wanted to give the material an additional forum alongside our trade fairs,” said Gerhard Gerritzen, Board Member of Messe München, explaining the motives behind the new event. The good public response and the quality of the agenda are evidence that we have struck the right chord with this.”

The agenda of the ceramitec conference was divided into two tracks. The track entitled **“Shape the Future” powered by AM Ceramics** took a detailed look at the use of additive manufacturing processes in high-performance ceramics. “Additive Manufacturing has now definitely found its place in ceramic production as more and more companies are recognizing the potential of this process. AM Ceramics integrated into the ceramitec conference offered an ideal platform to present the extensive range of application opportunities and their benefits,” commented Johannes Homa, CEO of

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Lithoz GmbH. The track was in fact a continuation of the successful AM Ceramics conference series which in previous years had been held in Vienna or Nuremberg.

The second track entitled “**Industrial Applications**” examined new uses for high-performance ceramics in industry. Additive manufacturing processes were also very prominent in this track. Dr. Jürgen Blumm, Managing Director of Netzsch Gerätebau GmbH and Chairman of the Advisory Board of ceramitec, explained the development: “Digitization and additive manufacturing in particular are increasingly finding their way into the production of ceramic materials. This will open up completely new applications and, in this regard, the ceramitec conference has provided an impressive overview.”

The feedback of the participants was positive, too: “ceramitec conference was a success for us. It is the fastest and the most efficient way for networking with the right experts. As a Turkish company we can certainly say that we are now with European and even Indian ceramic community good connected. Thank you for the hospitality”, says Hakan Duman, CEO at Magspin Transparent Ceramics.

Accompanying Exhibition

The conference agenda was accompanied by an exhibition in which a Who's Who in the international ceramic scene presented their solutions and products. Exhibitors with stands included 3DCERAM, Bayern Innovativ with its initiative Additive Bavaria and the New Materials Cluster, Ceramic Applications, CFI, Linseis, Lithoz, Nanoe, Netzsch, PresTEC, Schenck Process, Springer Nature and Steinbach AG.

The next ceramitec trade fair will take place from 17 – 20 May in Munich

The next event to be held in Germany from Messe München's ceramic trade fair portfolio is the ceramitec trade fair which will take place from Monday 17 May to Thursday 20 May 2021 in Munich. The start of the trade fair has been brought forward by one day and will not take place, as previously announced, from 18 – 21 May 2021. ceramitec is the most important international trade fair and knowledge platform for ceramics and powder metallurgy. The event covers the entire bandwidth of the sector, ranging from traditional ceramics and raw materials to industrial ceramics, technical ceramics and powder metallurgy. The trade fair will also host more demonstrations and discussions on modern production processes and digitization in the ceramics industry.

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Detailed information about ceramitec can be found at www.ceramitec.com.

International ceramics industry events from Messe München

As well as ceramitec, the world's leading trade fair, Messe München's portfolio of ceramics exhibitions also includes Indian Ceramics Asia. India's leading trade fair for the ceramics industry combines international expertise with in-depth regional know-how. Indian Ceramics takes place annually. The ceramitec conference is a new addition to the portfolio. The new event was held for the first time on 19 – 20 September in Munich and brought together leading thinkers in industrial ceramics with representatives of numerous user sectors.

About ceramitec

ceramitec is the leading international trade fair for the ceramics industry. It covers the entire bandwidth of the sector – from traditional ceramics and raw materials to industrial ceramics, technical ceramics and powder metallurgy. At ceramitec 2018 there were 633 exhibitors from 38 countries and over 15,000 attendees from 93 countries. "ceramitec: technologies · innovations · materials" takes place every three years. The next event will take place in Munich in 2021.

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