



PRESS RELEASE

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D-7 UNTIL THE OPENING OF JEC COMPOSITES CONNECT THE GREATEST SOURCE OF INNOVATION AND INSPIRATION IN THE COMPOSITES INDUSTRY IN 2021

On June 1-2, 2021, JEC Composites Connect, the first round-the-clock digital event of the composites industry, will be the industry's most significant event. More than 1,000 companies from all the composites value chain spanning 46 countries will participate, network, and present their latest products on their digital booths. In addition, this live-streamed event will also be the place to highlight innovation through conferences, workshops, competitions, awards ceremonies, and keynote speeches.

Highlighting excellence and innovation

JEC Composites connect will be the place to promote the composites sector's most innovative projects. **Many product launches** are expected to be announced over the two days of the show, evidences a solidly dynamic sector led by high-performance and environmentally friendly innovations, among which **sixty five** product launches listed in the **2021 Innovation Report**: www.jecomposites.com/wp-content/uploads/2021/05/JEC-PREVIEW-Inno-2021-market-002-1.pdf

In parallel, **twenty-four** exhibiting companies will present their new products and solutions during the **Composites Exchange live sessions**, of twenty minutes each, among them: 3M, Arkema, Axiom Materials, Cannon, Dediene & Steiger, DITF Denkendorf, Finnester Coatings, GKN Aerospace, Hexion, Huntsman Advanced Materials, Infracore, Kordsa, Kraussmaffei, Massivit, MF Tech, Mitsui, Ocsial, Owens Corning, Porcher, Rassini, Saertex, Solvay and Von Roll.

Here's the complete program:

<https://www.jecomposites-connect.events/fr/program/#compositesExchange>

JEC Composites Connect will also feature different composites competitions to highlight innovation:

- The **JEC Composites Innovation Awards** will celebrate innovative global composite projects, as well as fruitful collaborations between different players in the value chain. 21 projects have been selected this year, **the winners will be named on June 2nd at 2:30pm CEST**.

The list of the finalists is available here:

www.jecomposites-connect.events/program/#innovationAwards

- The **JEC Composites Startup Booster** is the leading startup competition in the world of composites. The 2021 selection has a line-up of 20 finalists who will pitch in front of the jury during two live sessions on **June 1st from 10:30am to 11:30am and from 5pm to 6pm CEST**. The list of the finalists is available here:
www.jecomposites-connect.events/program/#startupBooster
- The **JEC Composites Challenge** recognizes 10 selected PhD students for the quality of their research in the field of composites. Each researchers will present themselves and their ideas in front of the jury, on **June 2nd at 12pm CEST**. The list of the finalists is available here:
www.jecomposites-connect.events/program/#compositesChallenge

The Awards ceremony will take place on **Wednesday, June 2nd at 2:30 pm CEST**, where all the winners of these competitions will be revealed, with an opening keynote speech from inventor and genius entrepreneur **Franky Zapata, a.k.a. 'the Flying Man.'** As the CEO and founder of the company that bears his name, he became well-known for his famed crossing of the English Channel in August 2019 on his Flyboard® Air. He will reveal a brand new flying machine this year. His keynote speech will undoubtedly be one of the highlights of the event. The winners of all the above competitions will be revealed during the **JEC Composites Awards ceremony**



« Flying man » Franky Zapata

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Cutting-edge live conferences

JEC Composites Connect plays a key role in global knowledge sharing between the industry's main players. To promote this openness, two **Business conferences** will be held presenting the latest trends in automotive and aerospace sectors.

AEROSPACE – Towards a More Sustainable Strategy Tuesday, June 1st – 9am to 10:15am (Paris local time)

Yannick Willemin, Head of Marketing & Business Development, **9TLabs**, will chair this conference with **Clémentine Gallet**, CEO, **Coriolis**, **Hervé Gilibert**, CTO of **ArianeGroup** **Jean Botti**, CEO, **VOLTAERO** and **Scott Finn**, Chief Consulting Engineer for Composites, **GE AVIATION**.

AUTOMOTIVE – The Right Material at the Right Place Tuesday, June 1st – 3:15pm to 4:20pm (CEST)

Dale Brosius, Chief Commercialization Officer, **IACMI**, will chair this conference with **Alice Swallow**, Senior Innovation Engineer, **FORD MOTOR COMPANY**, **Christophe Kühn**, Senior Project Manager - Composites & Hybrid Components, **VOLKSWAGEN**, **Dominik Klaiber**, Doctoral Candidate Body Advanced Engineering, **PORSCHE** and **Gerard LIRAUT**, Expert Leader Polymers, **GRUPE RENAULT - ALLIANCE RENAULT NISSAN MITSUBISHI**.

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JEC Composites Connect will also host the **ALTAIR Conference**, focused on **A Complete Composites Workflow for All Industries**, with a line-up of its own and industry experts during JEC Composites Connect to demonstrate **how to save time and money** by exploiting their latest integrated multi-disciplinary solutions for composites.



ALTAIR CONFERENCE – A Complete Composites Workflow for All Industries Tuesday, June 1st – 1pm to 2:30pm (CEST)

Sylvain CHAZOT, Sales Director, **Altair France** will introduce the conference with **Jeffrey WOLLSCHLAGER**, VP Composites Technology, **Altair**, **Dr.-Ing. Martin PERTERER**, Head of Simulation, **KTM e-Technologies**, **Patrick JUMIN**, National Technical Referent for Carbodyshell Structure & Interfaces, **SNCF**, **Karim SLIMANI**, Composite Expert and Mechanical Engineer for

Carbody Structure, **SNCF**, **Derik Joël Kengne TAPCHOM**, in charge of Studies of Carbody Structure, **SNCF** and **Nerea MARKAIDE**, Polymers & Composites Expert, **CIDETECH Surface Engineering**.

The in depth conference program is available here:

<https://www.jecomposites-connect.events/program/#businessConferences>

The complete list of participating companies is available here: <https://www.jecomposites-connect.events/jcc-exhibitors-list.pdf>

The JEC Group press office will be available at any time during the show. You get can in touch with us if you have any requests. We can also help you set up meetings and network with exhibitors and speakers.

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