

SMMT's Climate Change Agreement

Reduce the tax bill on energy by joining SMMT's Climate Change Agreement

Businesses with paint shops, press shop foundries and plastic injection moulding facilities could be eligible to enter the SMMT climate change agreement (CCA). This would entitle you to a 90% discount on the climate change levy (CCL) on electricity and 65% discount on gas.

SMMT's new CCA started on 1 April 2013 and is set to save the sector over £10 million per annum. To save over £10,000 per annum on your CCL bill by being in a CCA, contact Matthew Croucher at mcroucher@smmt.co.uk or go to <http://www.smmt.co.uk/energy-efficiency-regimes>



SMMT's Exhibition Space

Exhibition opportunities in SMMT's central London office

SMMT's Westminster office is the London heart of the UK motor industry frequently hosting ministers, government officials, senior industry executives, media and stakeholders for a variety of meetings and events. The exhibition space provides a unique opportunity to highlight the breadth and scale of the modern UK automotive industry to visitors and passers-by in a prime, central London location.

The space can hold up to three vehicles with or without additional smaller exhibits (engines, design canvases, drivetrains, chassis, technology demonstrators, simulators etc) and is reserved solely for the use of SMMT members. If you would like more information about the space, or would like to enquire about booking, please contact Rebecca Dart at rdart@smmt.co.uk.

SMMT member case study – GVA



GVA explain why they joined SMMT.

GVA is a specialist property advisor with 1,200 staff across 12 UK offices. It is one of the largest multi-disciplinary practices in the UK providing a full range of property related services to clients in all sectors.

Its Industrial and Distribution team has over 130 specialists engaged in all activities across the industrial and distribution property spectrum. It lets, sells or acquires around 13 million sq ft of space per year and are involved in all types of property from regional distribution centres, research and development facilities to assembly plants.

It specialises in securing best value for your existing properties, securing a property or development best to suit your business needs and assisting you in managing the whole transition. GVA has substantial experience in working with component companies and end producers, supplying specialist advice on a range of services, including asset valuations, business rates and capital allowances advice.

Its membership of the SMMT – widely recognised as the voice of the automotive sector in the UK – is part of an overall strategy to assist in the resurgent growth of the sector by highlighting opportunities and advising on various deals, particularly in the Midlands. The SMMT team has already identified a number of opportunities to assist the sector, with a range of supply chain companies being asked by end manufacturers to expand and fulfil the need for increased component supply from within the UK.

If you are a member or associate of SMMT and would like to have a case study in one of these upcoming flyers, please contact Mairi Lucas at mlucas@smmt.co.uk.

International Business Group 4 July 2013

SMMT's next International Business Group will be focused on South East Asia and will be held at Morgan Motor Company

International Business Group meetings are open to members and non members and provide an excellent networking opportunity with the chance to listen to expert presenters on topical matters related to international trade and international markets.

The next IBG will include presentations from the Thailand Board of Investment, British Chamber of Commerce in Thailand, Vietnam Commercial Office in UK and the Taiwan Trade Centre. There will also be a case study from Hartridge on its experience of doing business in Thailand. In addition, attendees will enjoy a tour of Morgan's factory prior to the meeting.

For the full agenda, please [click here](#).

Attendance at the meeting is free for SMMT members. A fee of £25 will be charged to non-members. If you would like to register, please contact Sarah Thevenet at sthevenet@smmt.co.uk.

Production Outlook – June 2013

The latest June European Car and Light Commercial Vehicle Production Outlook report is now available to download online

The report is written by AutoAnalysis' Director Ian Henry and includes the latest outlook production figures and analysis by plant, location, marque, model and brand through to 2016.

Full report - <http://bit.ly/YBjv3A>
Executive summary - <http://bit.ly/YBjv3A>
Analyst briefing video - <http://bit.ly/YBjv3A>

Free for SMMT members and charged at £4,371 plus VAT for non-members for an annual subscription. You must be signed in to view these pages. For more information send an e-mail to: memberservices@smmt.co.uk.

Japan Best Practice Programme 2013

Industry Forum is appointed by the Japan Institute of Plant Maintenance as an assessment agency for Total Productive Maintenance principles

Background

Japanese industry is globally recognised as being the world leader in its approach to continuous improvement, focused on improving Quality, Cost and Delivery Performance, utilising Lean Manufacturing and Total Productive Maintenance (TPM) principles.

Industry Forum has had a long association with Japanese industry and was the first organisation to be appointed by the Japan Institute of Plant Maintenance (JIPM) as an assessment agency for the prestigious TPM award process.

Now in its seventh year, this best practice programme, organised in co-operation with JIPM-Solutions, offers a unique opportunity for delegates to experience first-hand TPM deployment and innovative improvement techniques, to help their own organisations move toward the goal of zero accidents, zero breakdown and zero defects.

Programme Overview

Prior to the programme, delegates will be given pre-diagnostic tools to help evaluate strengths and weaknesses in their own organisations and to set objective for areas to improve.

The programme, which will be led by experienced Industry Forum subject matter experts, includes lectures from leading experts in lean manufacturing and TPM, and visits to seven world leading organisations in the manufacturing and process industries. Each visit will have a specific theme, which will include TPM pillar deployment, application of the Toyota production system, and improvement using small group activities. Structured opportunity for discussion, questions and best practice sharing will be organised throughout the programme.

[Click here](#) to download the brochure and provisional agenda, or email jbpp@industryforum.co.uk.