



Driving Technological Change event and Regional Meet the Buyer

Following on from the hugely successful 'Driving Tech Change' conference at Silverstone last year, the partners are pleased to announce that this one day event will be taking place again on **1 July 2015**. The conference will focus on the '**Transferability of Technologies between Motorsport, Automotive and Beyond**'.

Event Chair: Joe Greenwell, CEO, Automotive Investment Organisation

Morning Keynote: Hugh Dickerson, Senior Head Automotive, Google

The key technology themes will include:

- Vehicle electrification
- Advanced engine technology
- Intelligent mobility
- Light weighting

National and International Meet the Buyer Opportunity

The event will also include a Meet the Buyer aspect where suppliers have the opportunity to secure one-to-one appointments with the buyers including Mazda, Bentley, Ford and Jaguar Land Rover.

Tickets for the event have now **sold out** but to be added to the waiting list please email drivingtechchange@uktieventspecialist.co.uk

This event is brought to you by the following partners:

- UK Trade & Investment (UKTI)
- Society of Motor Manufacturers and Traders (SMMT)
- Motorsport Industry Association (MIA)
- Automotive Investment Organisation (AIO)
- Silverstone Circuits
- Your Local Enterprise Partnerships (Northamptonshire, South East Midlands, Oxfordshire, Leicester & Leicestershire, Bucks Thames Valley, Coventry & Warwickshire and New Anglia)
- South Northants Council, Cherwell District Council and Aylesbury Vale District Council

SAVE THE DATE

SMMT Open Forum
15 October 2015
Cranmore Park, Solihull

To be added to the mailing list for more information please email supplychain@smmt.co.uk



European Production Outlook report

Stay ahead of your competitors with the latest data from SMMT's European Production Outlook report

The independent report produced for SMMT by AutoAnalysis and provides readers with:

- Full coverage of the latest developments of the major vehicle manufacturers in Europe.
- Production plans and new model launches.
- Vehicle production volumes by model and manufacturing plant through to 2019.

To view an overview of the report [click here](#) to see the latest YouTube video.

The report is free for SMMT members and charged at £4,592 plus VAT for non-members for an annual subscription (4 issues).

[Click here for more information and to download the report.](#)



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Production Outlook

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This report will:

- Provide you with insight into industry developments.
- Data for market research and business forecasting.
- Provide AutoAnalysis' views on how the manufacturing landscape is shaping up and the possible future developments in Europe.



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To all
Automotive
Businesses

We Need Your Help Urgently!
**Please participate
in the Skills Survey**

The Automotive Industrial Partnership is a £30 million joint industry and government initiative to address the current and future skills challenge in the UK automotive industry. New investments, economic recovery, overseas demand and continued technological advances all point to substantial growth in UK vehicle production.



We are conducting the biggest and most in depth Skills Survey of its kind to identify what your current and future job and skills requirements are. Your views are very important as they will help us determine strategically where, when, and how the future investment needs to be prioritised to ensure this skills challenge is met.

To take part in the survey, please contact one of our researchers to arrange a meeting, details below. Alternatively, you can complete the survey online by visiting www.automotiveip.co.uk and selecting the registration button, which is on the top right corner of the home page.

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Thank you for your support towards building a bigger and better UK automotive industry for the future!



Jo Lopes
Chair of Automotive Industrial Partnership



IMPORTANT MEMBER INFORMATION

SMMT website member list

We are now listing all of our member companies on our website. Each company will link through to its Automotive Supplier Finder company profile where people can find out about the company's capabilities, contact information and logo.

If you are an SMMT member, please make sure that your logo is uploaded. If you cannot remember your login details, please enter your email address into the right hand side box for a reminder to be sent.

If you do not want your company to be listed please email memberservices@smmt.co.uk.

SMMT SME Hub

Supporting automotive SMEs

SMMT prides itself on being representative of the whole automotive industry, from original equipment manufacturers through to SMEs. 80% of SMMT's membership is made up of SMEs making their priorities core to what we do. Given this, many of our products and services are tailored to address the needs of the SME community within the automotive sector.

With the growth seen across the UK automotive industry in recent years set to continue, the size and scope of opportunities for the UK supply chain are significant. For the UK to capitalise on both current and future opportunities, development of automotive SMEs will be vital.

In order to support SMEs looking to capitalise, SMMT provides an extensive range of tailor made, bespoke business development and support services. These can range from initiatives aimed to address issues our members are facing, to supporting business development to involvement in government funded programmes. This document covers some of the key SME initiatives. If you require any further information please email memberservices@smmt.co.uk.

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SMMT Member Marketing Opportunity – Case study and ‘good news’ stories in member services flyer

- **Member case study** - this enables SMMT members to showcase their organisations to the wider automotive industry (250 words).
- **Member ‘good news’ story** – promote your latest investment news, product launches or company rebranding to the wider automotive industry (150 words).

To submit content please email Mairi Lucas (mlucas@smmt.co.uk)

Leading Business by Design Summit

Design Council

18 June 2015

SMMT Members go FREE – [click here](#) to register and contact memberservices@smmt.co.uk for the discount code.



Hear directly from some of the world's most successful manufacturing and design organisations on how they are using strategic design to:

- **innovate and grow** by harnessing the potential of new materials and composites and differentiating their products and services.
- take a radical new approach to their **supply chains** to create a sustainable competitive edge.
- improve their capabilities by investing in **skills**.
- **futureproof** their business by promoting interdisciplinary collaboration .

Speakers include experts from world-leading businesses such as Rolls-Royce, Volvo and Dyson, as well as industry thought leaders from EEF, High Value Manufacturing Catapult and many more.

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Two SMMT members grow their business together

In October 2014, Espacel Europe signed a 2 year contract with Rempower to provide them with European and Worldwide logistics services. Rempower with sites in Coventry, Derby and Birmingham specialise in assembly, testing and aftermarket kits for a number of high profile OEMs. Their freight profile was put out to formal tender in October 2014 and Espacel were appointed as preferred carrier in November. Since then Rempower's volumes have steadily increased due to increased volumes from existing customer and new contracts wins. They have enjoyed some considerable service efficiencies too due to their mutually beneficial approach to doing business with Espacel. Tony Shally, MD of Espacel commented, "it was very satisfying for a medium-sized forwarder like Espacel to win such an important contract over many much bigger and better known 4PL companies. Our emphasis on tight control of Rempower's weekly freight to their 3 Midlands sites in conjunction with one of the lowest overall tender bids won this business for us."

Espacel became aware of the SMMT at Rempower's open day December 2014 when they were celebrating their first year in business after Remploy had been acquired by Arlington Industries. Since then Espacel joined the SMMT as an Associate member and they have not looked back. Attending Open Forums, Logistics Forums and exhibiting at the recent Meet the Buyer event in Westminster, they have really harnessed the networking opportunities only available to SMMT members.

Black Country manufacturer unveils £1m state-of-the-art forge

SMMT member Kimber Drop Forgings has invested over £1m into a state-of-the-art forge that will help the business increase sales in automotive, petrochemical and rail.

Kimber Drop Forgings, which employs 27 people at its Gawne Lane site in Cradley Heath, unveiled its new capabilities today, with the management team signalling its intentions to reach £5m annual sales by the end of the year.

"You don't hear about many new forges being built in the UK, so we're delighted to put our sector on the map with this sizeable investment," explained Larry Joyce, Group Chairman.

For further information, please visit www.kimbermills.co.uk or contact 01384 414500

