

SMMT at the Advanced Engineering Show

11-12 November 2014
NEC Birmingham
Stand J31

SMMT will be exhibiting at the Advanced Engineering Show on 11-12 November 2014 at NEC on stand J31. SMMT has also put together the agenda for two speaking sessions across the two day event, highlighting the UK industry's current direction and companies shortlisted for the annual SMMT Award for Automotive Innovation.

SMMT webinar archive

SMMT hosts monthly webinars on timely topics relevant to the automotive industry.

Themes have included:

- New cars and their powertrains – market trends and expectations for the UK and globally.
- Automotive supply chain skills fund.
- A production outlook and economic forecast.
- ISO/TS16949 scheme update.
- Cybercrime in the automotive industry.
- Bespoke funding for tooling – how to gain access.

Please [click here](#) to access the archive.



SMMT publishes new Funding, Finance and Support Guide

The new version of the SMMT Funding, Finance and Support Guide, featuring a new and easy to navigate content page is now available.

The Guide contains over 140 schemes organised into European, National and Regional schemes which are also cross referenced by type and category. The document has been designed for SMMT members and non-members to find relevant schemes in a less time-consuming manner.

Please see below for a range of newly added funding opportunities that may be useful for your business needs:

Employer Ownership: developing women engineers - the second of three planned funding calls designed to support companies to offer training that will bring women into the engineering profession at any stage of their career and to increase the potential of women to advance in an engineering career.

Luminate Project - Funding for SME's in the East Midlands pursuing projects be related to innovation in transport equipment and infrastructure (products, processes and services).

Black Country GOLD - The programme is currently inviting SMEs to apply for up to £16,000 to aid expansion projects providing business development support and financial assistance to small and medium size enterprises (SMEs) in the region.

North East Business Support Fund - The fund provides access to support for the businesses by providing 40% funding, for business improvement or growth projects.

Skills Growth Wales - funding up to an average of £2,500 per individual for training that will directly help bring about growth and employment opportunities.

To access the list of schemes please visit SMMT [website](#).

If you have any enquiries please contact memberservices@smmt.co.uk.

Growing the automotive supply chain – free webinar – 19 November

Survey of UK Tier 1 and SME suppliers for the Supply Chain Group

Join this free webinar to find out the key findings from the supply chain survey recently undertaken by the Automotive Council.

The webinar will cover the following points:

- At every level there is willingness to purchase more from the UK
- The majority of imported goods are sourced from countries that are not regarded as 'low cost', such as Germany, France and Japan

The webinar will take place on Wed 19 November 10:30 – 11:30. [Register here.](#)

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Woodall Nicholson Group makes further acquisition

Woodall Nicholson Group, based in Westhoughton, Bolton UK, has acquired the intellectual property and manufacturing assets of the former Auto Electrical Services (Manchester) Limited (AES).

The deal will result in the intellectual property and manufacturing assets of AES being brought into Woodall Nicholson's CM Specialist Vehicle Division which supplies a range of quality vehicle conversions and modifications to Blue and Amber Light fleet sector and public and private sector fleet operators across the country.

This latest acquisition will underpin the growth and success of the CM Specialist Vehicle Division, which has gone from strength to strength since the financially strong Woodall Nicholson was acquired by new investors in July 2013.

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Scorpion Automotive releases new vehicle tracking products

Scorpion Automotive has developed the most advanced **vehicle tracking system** available today with specific reference to the paperless installation and commissioning procedures. The units, manufactured in their innovative manufacturing facility in Chorley, are sent out ready to go as soon as they are installed and the whole process happens automatically.

The system uses GPS and GSM to locate the vehicle and communicate with the server. The units run their own health checks, connect to the server, allocate a fixed IP address via their secure private APN, and automatically email the owner of the vehicle welcoming them to Scorpiontrack.

The range of tracking products that Scorpion offers are suitable for cars, motorcycles, plant, LGV, HGV, ATVs and fleets.

Scorpion has reinforced its R&D department with 5 further high caliber engineers who are now developing the next generation of tracking products.

More information can be found on

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