

PRESS RELEASE

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JEC Group and AZL sign a partnership agreement**JEC Europe, March 10-12, 2015, Paris Porte de Versailles Pavillon 7**

Mrs Frédérique MUTEL, JEC Group President and CEO and Dr Michael EMONTS, Managing Director of AZL Aachen GmbH, the competence network for excellence in lightweight production, have sealed a partnership agreement **starting on JEC Europe 2015 to be held in Paris, Porte de Versailles next March 10-12, 2015.**

The purpose of the partnership is to jointly promote actual developments and insights regarding integrative lightweight production technology at JEC Europe 2015 to illustrate their benefits to the Composites Professionals for the development of Knowledge and the enhancement of their Networking.

This partnership consists in the organization of a shared technological program over the 3 days of the event. In the afternoon of March 12th, most recent scientific developments will be presented by AZL and its 8 partnering institutes of RWTH Aachen University in the framework of the so-called "Innovation in composite production technology in partnership with AZL". Also, a **guided visit of related exhibiting** AZL partner companies on JEC Europe 2015, as well as a **dedicated area for AZL** and its partnering institutes in the Innovation Corner showcasing their Innovative products and a live demo will be important assets of this partnership. Innovations along the whole composite value chain are presented by AZL and the Institute for Textile Technology (ITA), Institute of Plastics Processing (IKV), Fraunhofer Institute for Production Technology (IPT), Welding and Joining Institute (ISF), Laboratory for Machine Tools and Production (WZL), Fraunhofer Institute for Laser Technology (ILT), Institute of Automotive Engineering (IKA) and Institute of Structural Mechanics and Lightweight Design (SLA).



Mrs Frédérique MUTEL, JEC Group President and CEO says: *"JEC Group is thrilled to sign this agreement with AZL and be able to work with another quality partner that will elevate the excellence of JEC Conferences by providing us with top speakers in their field. We hope that the synergies we will create will be continued over the years and possibly on our other events in Asia and in America".*

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Dr. Michael Emonts
Managing Director of AZL

Dr. Michael EMONTS, Managing Director of AZL Aachen GmbH about the partnership with JEC: *“We are looking forward to partnering with JEC in order to promote together the advantages of the integrative lightweight production technology. In today’s competitive and fast-changing industrial environment, we want to make our contribution to help the advanced material industry optimize their mass-production suitable processes in load, cost and time. In cooperation with JEC, we are happy to expose towards the hugest audience of composite professionals worldwide.”*

About JEC Group:

With a network of 250,000 professionals, JEC is the largest composite industry organization in the world. JEC represents, promotes and helps develop composite markets by providing global or local networking and information services. Through Knowledge and Networking, JEC's experts offer a comprehensive service package: the JEC publications – including strategic studies, technical books and the JEC Composites Magazine – the weekly international e-letter World Market News and the French e-letter JEC Info Composites. JEC also organizes the JEC Europe Show in Paris – world and European leader, strongly supported by the industry and five times bigger than any other composites exhibition – JEC Asia in Singapore and JEC Americas in Atlanta, Boston & Houston; the Web Hub **www.jeccomposites.com**; the JEC Composites Conferences, Forums and Workshops in Paris, Singapore, Atlanta and Boston; and the JEC Innovation Awards program (Europe, Asia, America, India and China).

The composite industry employs 550,000 professionals worldwide and generated 70 billion dollars’ worth of business in 2013.

About AZL:

The worldwide unique lightweight competence network “Aachen Center for Integrative Lightweight Production” (AZL) of RWTH Aachen demonstrates significant lightweight expertise in research and development. The aim of AZL is to develop, in cooperation with its industrial partners, automated production of load- and cost-optimized lightweight components, suitable for mass production and versatile process chains in composite and multi-material design. This will be done in close interdisciplinary cooperation between material science and manufacturing technology. The AZL of RWTH Aachen handles the teaching activities as well as research and development inquiries with access to the latest full-scale machines and automation systems. The offer of AZL Aachen GmbH, as cooperative service provider in the field of lightweight production technology, includes the areas of engineering, advisory, consultancy and project management, networking and human resources marketing.

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