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Chicago, IL 60601

Pricing:
5K: \$35 / \$40 day of
1 mile: \$25 / \$30 day of

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McCormick Place Level 2.5

Sunday, September 11:
12:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Monday, September 12:
10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Tuesday, September 13:
10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

**Race Day Packet Pick-Up
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6:15 a.m. - 6:45 a.m.

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We're excited to host you in The IMTS 2022 Conference. Learning and continuing to develop your knowledge of the ever-changing facets of manufacturing technology is why we bring this conference to every IMTS. There are more than 70 educational sessions brought to you by the leading technology experts in the industry. We strive to bring the best and brightest presentations to you each cycle, hand-picked from hundreds of submissions.

You'll get to hear about the latest technology solutions and then walk the show floor to see them in action. Only at IMTS can you learn and then experience the industry's latest machinery, software, and related products all in one place!

I'm excited for your journey through IMTS 2022 this year. It's been a long four years since the last IMTS. We look forward to seeing all the familiar faces and new faces walking the exhibits, learning in the conferences, and networking with peers and industry leaders.

Welcome to Chicago!

See you soon,

Bonnie



Bonnie T. Gurney
Vice President – Strategic Partnerships
AMT – The Association For Manufacturing Technology



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After hosting The IMTS 2018 Conference online, welcome back! For the first time in four years, speakers and attendees will come face-to-face to share information, gain knowledge, and form new connections.

Brought to you by AMT – The Association For Manufacturing Technology and GIE Media's Manufacturing Group, The IMTS 2022 Conference takes place Monday – Thursday, Sept. 12-15, 2022, at Chicago's McCormick Place, West Building. Registration is open for the 69 conferences and more details can be found at <https://www.imts.com/show/education/IMTS2022.cfm>.

Manufacturing has faced many challenges since these conferences were last held in person, yet technology hasn't stopped advancing, so attending The IMTS 2022 Conferences is your opportunity to learn from a range of experts across a variety of topics. Our line-up of in-depth, educational sessions will deliver actionable insights you can take back to the shop floor to move your business forward.

Presented across four days in three tracks, areas covered include:

Process Innovations	Alternative Processes	Plant Operations	Quality/Metrology	Systems Integration
• Materials • Tooling • Finishing/Cleaning • Machining • Software (CAD/CAM/CAE) • Toolholding/Workholding	• Additive/3D Printing • Lasers • Fastening/Joining • Fabrication • Waterjet • Welding	• Cost Justification • Energy Efficiency • Government Initiatives • Supply Chain • ERP/PLM/MES • Training/Workforce	• Inspection • Measuring • Optical/3D/NDT • Standards • Testing • Vision Systems	• IIoT/Industry 4.0 • Motion Control • Robotics • Automation • Cybersecurity • Connectivity

Real-world case studies on adopting technology amidst workforce challenges, overcoming new design, material, 3D printing challenges, and how to mitigate effects of the supply chain chaos are just a few of the sessions during The IMTS 2022 Conference.

On the following pages you'll find the daily schedule, including registration information (see pg. 7), followed by detailed information from various presentations taking place throughout the 4-day conference.

I look forward to seeing everyone in Chicago this September!

Sincerely,

Elizabeth Engler Modic
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MONDAY 9/12

	TRACK A	TRACK B	TRACK C
8:30 - 9:55	REGISTRATION		
10:00 - 10:55	Room W192-A AddUp Sammy Passell, Applications Engineer Phil Jenkins, Applications & Innovation Director <i>Case Study: Fives Landis Corp, and AddUp Work Together to Design and 3D Print a Custom Coolant Nozzle</i> Alternative Processes	Room W192-B Rootstock/BACA Systems Andrew Russo, CIO <i>Making Hard Decisions Quickly in Our Fast-Changing Manufacturing Industry</i> Plant Operations	Room W192-C Caron Engineering Rob Caron, President & CEO <i>Smart Technology Systems: The New Eyes and Ears of Manufacturing</i> Process Innovations
11:00 - 11:55	Room W193-A - Page 12 CGTech Gene Granata, Director of Product Management <i>Facing the Machinist Shortage: Adopting Technology to Fill the Experience Gap and Do More with Less</i> Process Innovations	Room W193-B New Scale Robotics Stefan Friedrich, Product Manager <i>How to Automate Dimensional Gauging on the Production Floor</i> Quality & Metrology	Room W194-A Plex Systems Jerry Foster, Chief Technology Officer <i>The Machines Are Not Out to Get You - Making AI Work for Your Manufacturing Operation</i> Systems Integration
12:00 - 1:10	LUNCH		
1:15 - 2:10	Room W192-A Aligned Vision Scott Blake, President <i>Quality Monitoring of Automated Production Using a Large-FOV Calibrated Imaging System with Laser Guidance</i> Quality & Metrology	Room W192-B - Page 14 Rittal Weston Six, Business Development-Services <i>How To Reduce Cost in Operability with Sustainability in Mind</i> Plant Operations	Room W192-C KY Corp. Eric B. ... Northeast ... Regional Manager <i>On-Site Solvent Recovery to Capture the Savings</i> Process Innovations
2:15 - 3:10	Room W193-A WFL Millturn Technologies GmbH & Co. KG John Kelly, Sales Manager <i>Titanium and Inconel Machining on a Grand Scale</i> Process Innovations	Room W193-B - Page 16 Physik Instrumente Cliff Jolliffe, Head of Automation Market Segment; Matt Price, Technical Manager, Precision Motion/Laser Processing <i>Generating Precise A/B Quadrature Signals from Motion Platforms without Inherent Digital Feedback</i> Systems Integration	Room W194-A - Page 18 LillyWorks Inc. Mark Lilly, President & CEO <i>Solving the Late Problem in High-Mix Manufacturing Environments</i> Plant Operations
3:15 - 4:10	Room W192-A - Page 20 Zeiss Industrial Quality Solutions Dr. Curtis Frederick, Additive Manufacturing Application Specialist <i>Overcoming the Challenges of New Designs, New Materials, and New Printers with X-Ray CT</i> Alternative Processes	Room W192-B - Page 22 Datanomix Greg McHale, Co-Founder & CTO <i>The Need For Next-Gen Production Monitoring for Unattended Operations</i> Systems Integration	Room W192-C Mastercam/CNC Software LLC Stas Mylek, Strategic Partner Program Manager <i>Digitalization of the Manufacturing Floor: Are SMEs Ready for the Next Wave?</i> Process Innovations

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DATES & TIME: Monday, Sept. 12 - Thursday, Sept. 15, 2022; 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

LOCATION: West Building, Room W192-A, W192-B, W192-C, W193-A, W193-B, W194-A

COST: 1-day: \$295 | 4-day: \$495 | IMTS + Hannover Messe: \$695

REGISTRATION INCLUDES:

- Access to IMTS Conference, 1-day or 4-day passes
- Full access to the IMTS Exhibit Hall September 12-17
- Lunch ticket for day(s) of registered conference

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LOCATION: All sessions will be held in the West Building - Level 1 of McCormick Place

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TUESDAY 9/13

	TRACK A	TRACK B	TRACK C
8:00 - 8:55	REGISTRATION		
9:00 - 9:55	Room W192-A CAPTURE 3D Steve DeRemer, Application Specialist <i>Solving Additive Manufacturing Challenges with Advanced 3D Scanning Alternative Processes</i>	Room W192-B - Page 24 Blaser Swisslube Chris Porsch, Sales Director <i>Metalworking Fluids: The Minor-League Player with a Major-League Impact Plant Operations</i>	Room W192-C - Page 26 Fagor Automation Harsh Bibra, General Manager <i>Using HTML5 to Attract Fresh Minds into the CNC Industry Process Innovations</i>
10:00 - 10:55	Room W193-A - Page 28 Jergens Inc. Jack Rushlander, Technical Sales Manager-East <i>Layout and Planning Techniques for 5-axis Machining Centers Process Innovations</i>	Room W193-B SCHUNK Cory Raizor, Business Development Manager - Automated Machine Trending <i>Getting the Most From Your Robot Investment for Machine Tending-Maximize Your ROI on Cobots & Robots Through Faster Developments and Redeployments with Changing Jobs Systems Integration</i>	Room W194-A The L.S. Starrett Co. Greg Maisch, Engineering Manager <i>Optical Comparators vs. Multi-Sensor Vision Systems: Practical Considerations for Choosing the Right Metrology System Quality & Metrology</i>
11:00 - 11:55	Room W192-A - Page 30 Makino Dave Walton, Director of Engineering <i>Automation Implementation Blueprint Systems Integration</i>	Room W192-B Stratasys Fadi Abro, Director of Automotive Business Eric Johnson, Global Manager of Additive Manufacturing, Eaton Research Labs <i>The EV Revolution is Charging Up with Additive Manufacturing Alternative Processes</i>	Room W192-C Mazak Corp. Lem Linder, Application Engineer <i>Serialization & Traceability Using MTConnect Systems Integration</i>
12:00 - 1:10	LUNCH		
1:15 - 2:10	Room W193-A IMCO Associates Inc. Ruben Mirensky, President <i>Industry 4.0 - The Road to Competitiveness Plant Operations</i>	Room W193-B KUKA Robotics Corp. Houssaine Waled, Senior Staff Systems Engineer <i>Understanding Robot Accuracy Process Innovations</i>	Room W194-A FARO Technologies Michelle Edwards, a Director of Global AE Training <i>Accelerating Product Development Through Reverse Engineering Quality & Metrology</i>
2:15 - 3:10	Room W192-A - Page 32 Murata Machinery USA Jeff Tyl, Fabrication & Aftermarket Sales Manager <i>Automation, Not if, but When Systems Integration</i>	Room W192-B - Page 34 ISCAR USA Thomas Raun, Chief Technical Officer <i>100% Utilization: The Cutting Tool Conundrum Process Innovations</i>	Room W192-C - Page 36 KINEXON Mehdi Bentanfous, CEO <i>Beyond RTLS: Leveraging Location Data for Industrial Process Automation Plant Operations</i>
3:15 - 4:10	Room W193-A Schneeberger Inc. George Blaha, General Manager, Schneeberger Mineralgusstechnik s.r.o. (Cheb Czech Republic) Executive Board Member <i>Mineral Casting: The "Organic" Solution for Eliminating Vibration in Production Machinery for Greater Speed, Precision, and Environmental Protection Alternative Processes</i>	Room W193-B WENZEL America Dr. Heiko Wenzel, Chief Digital Officer <i>Process Integrated Metrology - Game Changer in Production? Quality & Metrology</i>	Room W194-A Xometry Greg Paulsen, Director - Application Engineering <i>A New Era in Manufacturing: Digital Marketplaces Systems Integration</i>

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Conference Schedule*

WEDNESDAY 9/14

	TRACK A	TRACK B	TRACK C
8:00 - 8:55	REGISTRATION		
9:00 - 9:55	Room W192-A - Page 38 Okuma America Corp. Wade Anderson, Product Specialist Manager and Tech Centers Manager <i>Forget the Cost - It's Time to Think About ROI</i> Plant Operations	Room W192-B GF Machining Solutions Onik Bhattacharyya, Director of Sales (Global) <i>Manufacturing Leans Toward Lasers</i> Alternative Processes	Room W192-C Dr. Ozgur H. Ozgen , Product Manager of Optical Surface Technology <i>Optical Surface Topography Measurements in Manufacturing Environment</i> Quality & Metrology
10:00 - 10:55	Room W193-A - Page 40 FASTEMS LLC Nathan Turner, President <i>CNC Machining Automation - Best Practices for Flexibility, Resilience, and Profitability</i> Systems Integration	Room W193-B - Page 42 Masa Tool Inc. Matthew Saccomanno III, CEO <i>Boosting Profits from Swiss-Type Machines by Better Use of the Sub-Spindle</i> Process Innovations	Room W194-A SYSPRO Kevin Bell, VP of Pre-Sales <i>How Lean, Just-in-Time and Technology Can Mitigate the Effects of the Supply Chain Crisis</i> Plant Operations
11:00 - 11:55	Room W192-A - Page 44 Norton Saint Gobain Spencer Artz, Corporate Application Engineer <i>Next Generation in Continuous Generating Grinding of Aerospace, Ice, and EV Gear</i> Process Innovations	Room W192-B Autodesk Richard Stubley, Sr. Technical Consultant <i>Realizing Carbon Balanced Production Through Quality Control</i> Quality & Metrology	Room W192-C DM3D Technology Dr. Bhaskar Dutta, President & COO <i>DED Manufacturing of Large Critical Components: Pushing Boundaries of Metal Additive Manufacturing</i> Alternative Processes
12:00 - 1:10	LUNCH		
1:15 - 2:10	Room W193-A Mitsui Seiki USA Inc. William Malanche, Chief Operating Officer <i>How to Extend the Life and Optimize the Performance of CNC Machinery Assets</i> Plant Operations	Room W193-B - Page 46 Heidenhain Corp. Gisbert Ledvon, Director-Business Development Machine Tool <i>Automation and Monitoring as a Subsequent Technology to Optimize Machine Utilization</i> Process Innovations	Room W194-A - Page 48 Siemens Industry Inc. Tiansu Jing, Product Manager <i>Discover the Benefits of Using the Digital Twin in CNC Machines</i> Systems Integration
2:15 - 3:10	Room W192-A Brighton Science Ian Smith, Sr. Custom Applications & Materials Engineer <i>The New Frontier in Inspection-Surface Intelligence</i> Quality & Metrology	Room W192-B Rick Neff LLC Rick Neff, Consultant to Thermwood Corp. <i>Productive Applications of Large-Scale Additive Manufacturing</i> Alternative Processes	Room W192-C EOS Fabian Alefeld, Senior Manager-Additive Minds Consulting <i>Additive Manufacturing as a Driver of Sustainable Business Models and Applications</i> Process Innovations
3:15 - 4:10	Room W193-A - Page 50 Renishaw Inc. Dan Skulan, General Manager-Industrial Metrology <i>Implementing Intelligent Industrial Automation - A Practical Guide</i> Systems Integration	Room W193-B BIG DAISHOWA & Andretti Autosport John Zaya, Product Specialist; Charlie Mitchell, Manufacturing Engineer <i>Race Team Hits the Mark with Help of Workholding System</i> Process Innovations	Room W194-A Sompo Global Risk Solutions Adam Kopcio, Senior VP Head of Middle Markets and Business <i>Cyber Liability and the Impact on Your Business</i> Plant Operations
3:15 - 4:10			Room W196-C CERATIZIT USA Inc. Mark Blosser, Executive Director of Technology and Solutions\Sales and Applications <i>Additive Manufacturing Takes Tooling Performance to New Levels for Today's Shops</i> Plant Operations

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THURSDAY 9/15

	TRACK A	TRACK B	TRACK C
8:00 - 8:55	REGISTRATION		
9:00 - 9:55	Room W192-A - Page 52 Norgren Inc. Rachel Short, Managing Director <i>Creating Adaptable Solutions to Improve Workholding Technology Efficiency</i> Process Innovations	Room W192-B 3DEO Inc. Matthew Sand, President <i>Intelligent Layering With 3DEO - Production Metal 3D Printing</i> Alternative Processes	Room W192-C OTC CANNEX Jay Lukacs, VP, Product <i>How Can Autonomous Robots Work For Your Material Handling Plant Operations</i> Plant Operations
10:00 - 10:55	Room W193-A - Page 54 Mitutoyo America Corp. Dr. Jim Salisbury, General Manager- Corporate Metrology <i>Calibration Fundamentals</i> Quality & Metrology	Room W193-B FANUC America Rick Schultz, Aerospace Program Manager <i>Advanced Aerospace Automation Concepts Including Collaborative Robotics</i> Systems Integration	Room W194-A - Page 56 Staubli Robotics Gilles Le Quilleuc, Head of General Industry & Food North America; John Burke, Southeast Regional Sales Manager <i>Washing Market - Cleaning Process & Robotics</i> Process Innovations
11:00 - 11:55	Room W192-A OnRobot US Inc. Kristian Hulgard, General Manager-Americas <i>What Labor Crisis? How Collaborative Palletizing Applications Bring Productivity, Ergonomic, and Quality Boosts to Companies of all Sizes</i> Alternative Processes	Room W192-B TDM Systems Robert Auer, Director Global Business Development <i>TDM Cloud Essentials, The First Comprehensive Cloud-Based Tool Management Solution from TDM Systems - It's Easier than You Think!</i> Process Innovations	Room W192-C - Page 58 4D Technology Dr. Erik Novak, General Manager <i>Vibration-Immune 3D Measurements Enable Production Automation for Precision-Machined Parts</i> Quality & Metrology
12:00 - 1:10	LUNCH		
1:15 - 2:10	Room W193-A YG-1 Jan Andersson, Director-Product Management <i>Breaking Fallacies in Tooling - How it Impacts the Bottom Line</i> Process Innovations	Room W193-B ECI Software Solutions Brian Winters, CIO <i>Cybersecurity - How Mitigating Threats Can Prepare You from Being Attacked</i> Systems Integration	Room W194-A KYOCERA SGS Precision Tools Inc. Akilah Thomas, Training and Occupational Development Specialist <i>The Evolution of Workforce Development</i> Plant Operations
2:15 - 3:10	Room W192-A Phillips Corp. & Autodesk Inc. & Meltio Brian Kristaponis, Chief Technology Officer; Robert Bowerman, Technical Consultant; Brian Matthews, Chief Technology Officer <i>Accessible Hybrid Manufacturing with Autodesk Fusion 360 and Phillips Corp</i> Alternative Processes	Room W192-B - Page 60 AutoForm Engineering USA Inc. Dr. Kidambi Kannan, Technical Specialist <i>Eliminating Scrap in Sheet Metal Stamping Production: In-Line Process Control Anchored in Smart Engineering</i> Process Innovations	Room W192-C Pragma & Hexagon Manufacturing Intelligence Francois Mainguy, President and CEO; Scott Everling, Product and Business Development <i>New-Generation Software Workflow Enables Automated NDT and Metrology</i> Quality & Metrology
3:15 - 4:10	Room W193-A Tooling-U SME Denise Ball, Workforce Development Specialist <i>Attract & Retain to Sustain Manufacturing</i> Plant Operations	Room W193-B Gleason Automation Systems Christian Sterner, General Manager <i>Connected Systems to Deliver Predicted Outcomes</i> Systems Integration	Room W194-A FormAlloy Technologies Inc. Melanie A. Lang, Co-Founder & CEO <i>Data-Driven Process Control for Precision Directed Energy Deposition</i> Process Innovations

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Monday, 9/12

11:00 to 11:55 a.m. / Room W193-A

Topic Track: Process Innovations

Session Topic: Facing the Machinist Shortage: Adopting Technology to Fill the Experience Gap and Do More with Less

The shortage of experienced manufacturing professionals is an issue manufacturing shops have been facing for years. As the current workforce of NC programmers and machinists gets ready for retirement, there's less and less talent coming in to take their place. While the push to develop additional paths through education and training is underway, what can shops do in the meantime to collect and protect their current machining expertise while meeting increasing demands for speed, quality, and innovation? One solution is adopting advances in technology to develop smarter machining processes.

Huge advancements in manufacturing software have made it easier for shops to verify toolpaths, simulate machine movement to avoid crashes and unexpected behavior, and optimize NC programs and feed rates to ensure cuts are performed without breaking the cutter or causing undue wear – all without requiring NC programmers and machinists to have expert machining experience. The presentation will explore the benefits of using software to establish “smarter” manufacturing processes to enable more quality production with fewer resources.

Gene Granata

Director of Product Management
CGTech



Gene Granata, director of product management, has been with CGTech since 1992. With more than 30 years of CNC manufacturing experience, Granata is responsible for planning development of CGTech's flagship software product VERICUT, and associated CAD/CAM and Tooling interfaces.

After receiving his Bachelor of Science degree with an emphasis in NC Manufacturing Technology from Northern Illinois University in 1983, his professional career began at Bendix Aerospace (now known as Honeywell Federal Manufacturing & Technologies) as an NC programmer for a variety of CNC lathes, mills, and multi-tasking machines. He then went to work for aerospace companies such as Northrop Aircraft and McDonnell Douglas, working on T-45, F-20, and F-18 fighter projects, as well as B-2 Stealth Bomber and C-17 military transport aircraft.

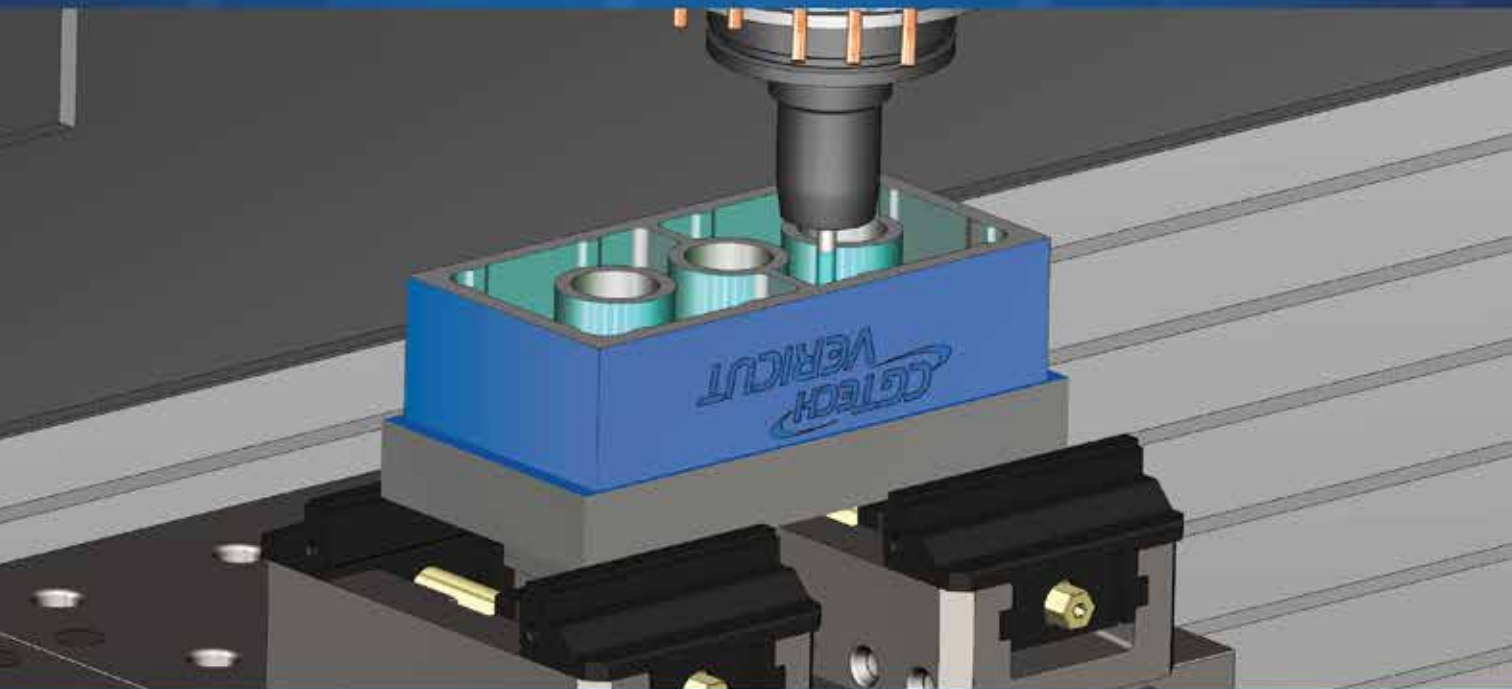
Prior to his role as director of product management, he was VERICUT Project Manager and wrote technical documentation, designed many general-purpose and customized training courses, and provided manufacturing consulting services to hundreds of companies in virtually every industry.



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Monday, 9/12

1:15 to 2:10 a.m. / Room W192-B

Topic Track: Plant Operations

Session Topic: How to Reduce Cost in Operability with Sustainability in Mind

Meeting your environmental goals can be daunting. Lean manufacturing focuses on creating the best bottom line, but a sustainability strategy can create large overhead costs. While these two seem to be in conflict, they lead to the same goal: eliminating the potential for wasted resources. In fact, a robust sustainability strategy can save a manufacturing plant more money long-term despite early costs. Sustainability programs are now part and parcel of maintaining a strategic advantage over competitors and seizing opportunities for increases in market share.

Throughout the last decade, global manufacturers have relied on Industry 4.0 and the Industrial Internet of Things (IIoT) to help them increase efficiency, reduce energy usage, and reduce manufacturing costs via optimized production programs. These programs improve environmental operations and help companies introduce products to market faster and more efficiently.

The move toward a sustainable manufacturing atmosphere is multifaceted, complex, and contains a variety of challenges unique to each manufacturer. Efficient industrial automation processes simplify the transition toward a green production environment and unlock new, innovative opportunities for manufacturers to further modernize and optimize their industrial automation infrastructure.

Join us for an enlightening discussion about why preventative maintenance matters, examples of real-life savings manufacturers have found by focusing on energy efficiency, how to learn if an energy-efficient climate control program could qualify you for a local rebate program, and simple ways to reduce your energy usage and costs.

Weston Six

Business Development Representative

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Since joining Rittal in 2019, Weston Six has consulted on best practices on energy efficiency, helping customers reduce costs and get the most out of their technology. Through Rittal's energy efficiency inspection program, he assesses customers' needs, both for maintenance and cooling, to find the best solution for their plant. With 10 years of experience in both services and technology, Six provides expert consultation to help customers meet their goals.



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Monday, 9/12

2:15 to 3:10 p.m. / Room W193-B

Topic Track: Systems Integration

Session Topic: Generating Precise A/B Quadrature Signals from Motion Platforms without Inherent Digital Feedback

Digital quadrature encoders have become a standard for precision automation systems used in laser materials processing, additive manufacturing (AM), and test/inspection. In these tools, stage-level integrated encoder technologies provide feedback to external devices for process synchronization from inkjet print boards to line scan cameras. These encoder requirements applied to the core automation systems, have traditionally imposed technical constraints limiting flexibility, performance, and throughput in these tools. We'll discuss how encoder technologies affect process performance while presenting recent work that'll allow the next generation of tools to use absolute encoders, analog encoders, or no encoders while still enabling tool process synchronization with devices that require digital quadrature encoder signals.

Matt Price

**Technical Manager
Physik Instrumente**

Matt Price is a technical manager for PI, working in precision automation technologies for microfabrication and metrology. A physicist with a background in laser materials processing and characterization, he has contributed to the development of motion technologies to advance capability in these fields.



Cliff Jolliffe

**Head of Industrial Automation
Physik Instrumente**

Cliff has a passion for high precision motion systems for manufacturing with lasers. He has been the chair for the British Science and Technical Facilities Council (STFC) assisting research institutes to partner with industrial companies. Using Cliff's three decades of experience in the automation market advocates him to promote and direct Physik Instrumente precision automation capabilities globally.



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Monday, 9/12

2:15 to 3:10 p.m. / Room W194-A

Topic Track: Plant Operations

Session Topic: Solving the Late Problem in High-Mix Manufacturing Environments

Most manufacturers struggle with getting orders to their customers on time. Today's high-mix production environments are simply too dynamic for traditional enterprise resource planning (ERP) programs based on finite capacity. These older systems are unlikely to deliver a plan that can be executed by shopfloor personnel. Even if a workable plan or schedule is created, it's soon obsolete due to the rapid and frequent changes that occur in manufacturing production environments.

Introducing a new approach: The Dynamic Production Method.

Attendees will learn how to use this new method with the information they already have today in their ERP to gain visibility and help production personnel make the right decisions in real time. When deployed in a manufacturing environment, this methodology helps production teams answer critical production questions.

Mark Lilly
CEO and President
LillyWorks Inc.



With decades of experience in enterprise resource planning (ERP) consulting and implementation, Mark Lilly helps manufacturers dramatically improve OTD in high-mix environments. The Lilly family members are long-time innovators in technology and best practices, from launching VISUAL ERP in 1991 to the development of the Dynamic Production Method and Protected Flow Manufacturing platform. Lilly's background in computer science and psychology from Cornell University informs his approach to solving business problems with technology and motivating organizations toward positive, lasting change by bringing teams together to achieve a common goal. Today, Lilly focuses his time on educating manufacturers and their partners about the next evolution beyond traditional production scheduling and materials planning to solve the late problem for good.



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Monday, 9/12

3:15 to 4:10 p.m. / Room W192-A

Topic Track: Alternative Processes

Session Topic: Overcoming the Challenges of New Designs, New Materials, and New Printers with X-Ray CT

This presentation addresses the successes and failures of 3D printing a topology optimized heat exchanger with a new alloy, Aluminum F357, that hadn't been printed on a Xline 1000 printer before this project. Using X-ray computer tomography (CT), new print parameters were developed in one build and the redesigned heat exchangers printed in the next. Some background will be given on X-ray CT and the parameter selection method created and the positives/negatives of this method. Upon inspection of the printed parts, our workflow generated unexpected gaps in the parts. CT scanning the printed parts allowed us to determine the size of the internal gap and adjust the models accordingly. Updating a set of complicated heat exchanger models while changing the material and the 3D printer can be a daunting task. However, X-ray CT can give you confidence when selecting new print parameters and in inspecting printed parts. X-ray CT allows for rapid feedback when printing a design of experiments (DOE) of parameters and can inspect hard to reach regions such as internal channels. This presentation will showcase the successes and setbacks we're able to overcome while improving a set of heat exchangers.

Curtis Frederick

**Additive
Manufacturing
Application Specialist**

**Zeiss Industrial
Metrology LLC**



Curtis Frederick is an additive manufacturing application scientist with Carl Zeiss and is positioned at the manufacturing demonstration facility within Oak Ridge National Laboratory (ORNL) to support the cooperative research and development agreement (CRADA) between ZEISS and ORNL. Frederick has researched parameter development for grain control using electron beam additive manufacturing of Ni-based superalloys during his graduate studies. He has also worked on alloy development of high temperature Al-based alloys for laser powder bed fusion at the production scale. He's currently developing workflows for linking defects in printed parts to properties of the powder feedstock for multiple powder bed additive manufacturing processes. Frederick received his Ph.D. in material science and engineering at the University of Tennessee, Knoxville in 2018.



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Monday, 9/12

3:15 to 4:10 p.m. / Room W192-B

Topic Track: Systems Integration

Session Topic: The Need for Next-Gen Production Monitoring for Unattended Operations

Unattended operations are the holy grail for today's precision manufacturers. Running computer numerical control (CNC) machines without needing additional workers means more output for the factory, even when the lights are out! The downside to unattended operations is things can happen when no one's around, and without an observer, it becomes an exercise in sleuthing to determine the cause for issues and stoppages. Unfortunately, first-generation production monitoring requires operator input to provide context around machine downtime and interruptions in production. When operators are required to enter reason codes into a tablet or computer to deliver understanding about machine states, manufacturers implementing unattended shifts are blind to a lot of issues that happen when nobody's watching the machines.

Next-generation production monitoring systems offer the perfect solution to factories looking to implement or expand unattended operations. By simply connecting to CNC machines and using the data directly from the machine controllers, next-gen production monitoring solutions use machine learning to make sense of data in real time. Now, manufacturers can see what happened in an overnight, unattended shift for every part produced and downtime or stoppage that occurred.

In this session, attendees will learn how next-gen production monitoring delivers insights into unattended operations, including the ability to monitor production in real time.

Gred McHale

Founder and CTO
Datanomix



Gred McHale founded Datanomix on the premise that the 4th industrial revolution would require turnkey products that integrate seamlessly with how manufacturers work today. He brings enterprise data skills to a market ripe for innovation. McHale has held engineering leadership positions at several venture-backed companies and is a graduate of Worcester Polytechnic Institute.



Founded in 2016 in New Hampshire, Datanomix offers automated production intelligence for precision manufacturers. When we started Datanomix, we met with dozens of manufacturers who were trying to use data from their equipment to optimize operations. Not one company was getting what they wanted out of their existing monitoring systems – information was either too complicated and cumbersome, or too simple and not insightful. To add insult to injury, the user interfaces on those systems made it look like those companies just didn't understand manufacturers.

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Tuesday, 9/13

9:00 to 9:55 a.m. / Room W192-B

Topic Track: Plant Operations

Session Topic: Metalworking Fluids: The Minor-League Player with a Major-League Impact

The right metalworking fluid does a lot more than you think, and it's an often-overlooked strategic tool for manufacturers. The cost of any metalworking fluid is a small fraction of the total investment into a manufacturing process. At the same time, it has an oversized impact because it touches everything in the shop, from tools to machines, parts, and people. The idea that this minor player – around 0.5% of the production cost – influences the success of the other 99.5% is called the “leverage effect” of metalworking fluids. It means the right metalworking fluid does a lot more than you think, and it's an often-overlooked strategic tool for manufacturers.

Operations and maintenance managers should join this session and will take away improvement ideas with measurable ROI. You will learn:

1. The impact of the right metalworking fluid on major cost centers in the shop
2. How to use coolant to extend tool life, increase cutting speeds, and gain process stability
3. Examples of improvement goals from other shops, from productivity to health and safety
4. How to reduce hours on unpleasant maintenance tasks and protect your valuable CNC machines

Chris Porsch

**Midwest and
Western Regions
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Blaser Swisslube

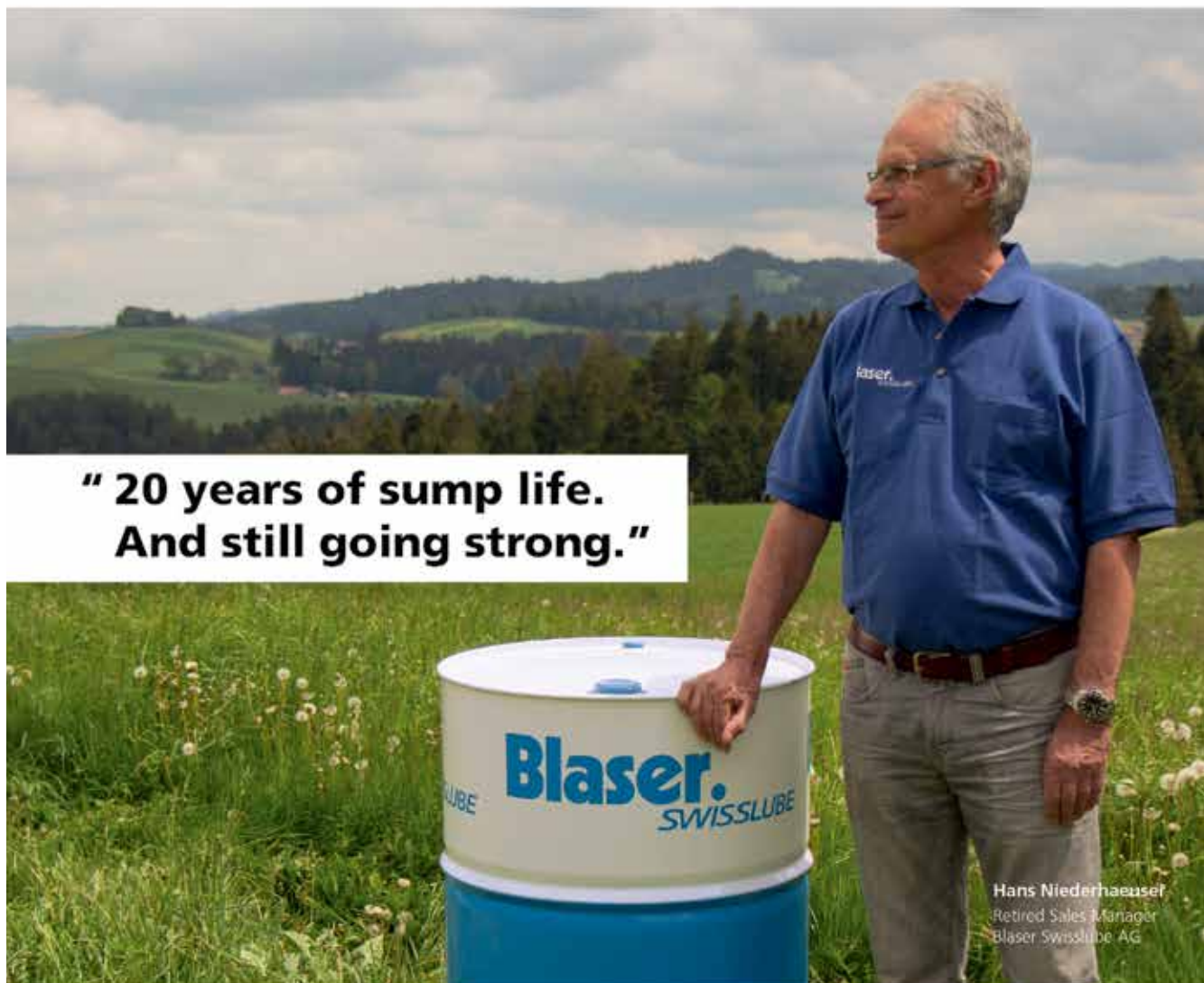


Chris Porsch is the sales director for the Midwest and Western regions. He has a background in Chemistry and a Bachelor's degree in Business. He developed deep knowledge of metalworking fluids and their applications over the past 8 years. Porsch is driven to share his expertise and help Blaser Swisslube customers improve processes and reduce manufacturing costs every day.



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Tuesday, 9/13

9:00 to 9:55 a.m. / Room W192-C

Topic Track: Process Innovations

Session Topic: Using HTML5 to Attract Fresh Minds into the CNC Industry

Fagor's new HTML5-based user interface for computer numerical control (CNC) was designed for users to customize their machine controls by making them easier to use, more secure, and better suited to take full advantage of industry 4.0 functionalities. However, a major benefit of this user interface is its solution to the skilled labor shortage the manufacturing industry faces today. This presentation breaks down how the interface was designed for the younger workforce of web designers and software programmers to get involved with the world of CNC machining.

Harsh Bibra

General Manager

Fagor Automation



Harsh Bibra is the general manager of Fagor Automation Corp. NA, a world leader in the manufacturing of CNC control automation products. With a degree in electrical and electronics engineering and a background within the engineering department, Harsh has been employed within the CNC machine tool automation sector for 35 years and actively employed with Fagor Automation for 26 years, with the last 16 years as the general manager. With a strong knowledge in technical management, Bibra has successfully driven complex engineering projects and sales channel management on an international level during his career.



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Tuesday, 9/13

10:00 to 10:55 a.m. / Room W193-A

Topic Track: Process Innovations

Session Topic: Layout and Planning
Techniques for 5-Axis Machining Centers

Jack Rushlander will present an in-depth approach on developing a 5-axis machining plan, focusing on maximizing machine capacity and achieving the fastest return on investment (ROI) possible. Attendees will be taken through a complete planning process in SolidWorks beginning with raw material and ending with a finished part.

Jack Rushlander

**Eastern Technical
Manager**

Jergens Inc.

Jack Rushlander is the eastern technical manager of Jergens Inc. He has 40 years of experience in CNC manufacturing and programming and is proficient with user macro and probing. Rushlander is a former guest speaker at the 1996 IMTS Conference.



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Tuesday, 9/13

11:00 to 11:55 a.m. / Room W192-A

Topic Track: Systems Integration

Session Topic: Automation Implementation Blueprint

Successful implementation of manufacturing automation projects starts with a clear understanding of desired goals, objectives, requirements, and potential short-term and long-term challenges. As with any significant investment, including automation, conducting discovery is critical to defining the scope of a project and identifying solution[s] that'll be within budget, produced and installed on schedule, and have the greatest return on investment [ROI]. Automation solutions are best when scalable and manageable and have defined operator functions, part processing requirements, and operating environments. Purchasing an automation system with monitoring and feedback functionality will support long-term goals and continuous improvement efforts.

Dave Walton, director of engineering at Makino, has the expertise to help you make the discovery process easier and less daunting. Join him for a walkthrough of an automation blueprint developed over decades of successful implementations. Learn more about essential elements of automation and available tools and solutions.

Dave Walton

**Director of
Engineering
Makino**



Dave Walton is the director of engineering operations at Makino Inc., Mason, Ohio. He's been with Makino for 25 years, working in the areas of factory automation and integrating automation with the Makino machine platform, and later managing the engineering group responsible for executing the Makino automation programs. Walton's total experience in factory automation spans more than 40 years, including stints with General Motors [GM] and GE Aviation prior to his current employment by Makino.



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Tuesday, 9/13

2:15 to 3:10 p.m. / Room W192-A

Topic Track: Systems Integration

Session Topic: Automation, Not If, But When

The level of automation shops select ultimately dictates the degree of integration amongst their machining or turning processes. Do you generally follow the path of reacting to market conditions or proactively design your route with automation at your business's core? This presentation will discuss the pros and cons of various levels of turning automation from adding robots to existing lathes to integrated turnkey gantry-driven systems – and everything in between. It isn't "IF" automation should be part of your strategy. The real question is "WHEN" do you make it part of your project.

Jeff Tyl

Sales Manager

**Murata Machinery
USA Inc.**



Jeff Tyl is an experienced sales manager with a demonstrated history of working in the mining & metals industry. He is skilled in AutoCAD, Negotiation, Steel Structures, Fabricated Component Sales, Capital Equipment, and managing a national sales team.



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Tuesday, 9/13

2:15 to 3:10 p.m. / Room W192-B

Topic Track: Process Innovations

Session Topic: 100% Utilization:
The Cutting Tool Conundrum

Underutilization stems from a variety of reasons, ranging from simply being uninformed or unaware, to misapplication while attempting to leverage existing cutting tools. The biggest area for improvement is the optimization of cutting tools by paying closer attention to the various other manufacturing technologies on hand. Machine tool capabilities, materials being machined, and other manufacturing technologies such as CAM programming abilities, high-pressure coolant capability, fixturing, small spindles (such as driven tools), etc. should all be considered and leveraged. No matter the reason, even the smallest of companies now have tools and technology to assist in making better cutting tool choices while considering the manufacturing technologies.

Much has changed recently in the world of manufacturing, and this is no different for cutting tool production. For example, 3D printing is used to produce indexable cutting tools with coolant ports directly to the insert that couldn't have been effectively produced using traditional methods. The result is cutting tools that last longer and improve quality.

This session focuses on the typical reasons for underutilization of cutting tools, pointing to solutions companies can employ to ensure they're maximizing their investments.

Tom Raun

**Chief Technical
Officer**

ISCAR



Tom Raun has more than 30 years of experience in the manufacturing industry. He started his manufacturing career in 1991 and spent the next 12 years as a CNC machinist and CAM programmer for companies within the die & mold industry. In 2003, he joined ISCAR as a national product manager focused on die & mold industry companies. He has served in multiple roles through nearly 19 years with ISCAR, consistently engaging with manufacturing companies throughout the USA to improve CNC machining. Raun currently serves as chief technical officer, a role requiring both technical and marketing-related skills to meet the needs of the many industries served by ISCAR including energy, aerospace, medical, automotive, and heavy equipment. He's achieved the highest qualification in Lean Six Sigma, a methodology for improving efficiency and effectiveness throughout an organization. Raun also completed coursework through Villanova University in Lean & Six Sigma, Strategic Organizational Leadership, and Finance & Accounting for Non-Financial Managers.



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Tuesday, 9/13

2:15 to 3:10 p.m. / Room W192-C

Topic Track: Plant Operations

Session Topic: Beyond RTLS: Leveraging Location Data for Industrial Process Automation

While industrial companies have digitized a significant portion of their machine parks, many are losing out on a valuable pool of information – location data of moving assets along the supply chain. Location-based process automation (LPA) software provides a comprehensive digital twin of moving things that grants manufacturers unprecedented information and visibility of the location and status of assets and processes. This talk highlights how to leverage location data from sources such as BLE, UWB, GPS, and more, to realize unlimited and scalable process automation opportunities via LPA; use cases such as search and find, material flow automation, container management, automated tool control, and more can be easily set up directly on the OT level via no-code/low-code events and triggers.

Mehdi Bentanfous

CEO

KINEXON Inc.



Mehdi Bentanfous is the CEO of KINEXON Inc. Before joining KINEXON, he held senior positions in consulting (BCG), private equity (Waterland Private Equity), and senior management. He is responsible for global business development as well as sales and marketing of the industrial division. Bentanfous studied economics and engineering at the Karlsruhe Institute of Technology (KIT).

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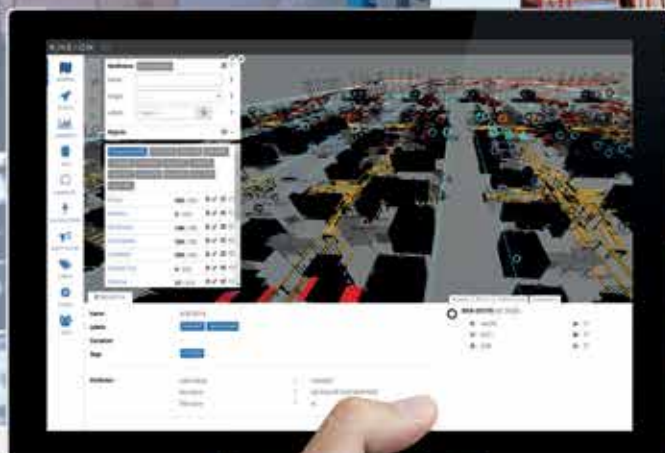
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Wednesday, 9/14

9:00 to 9:55 a.m. / Room W192-A

Topic Track: Plant Operations

Session Topic: Forget the Cost – It's Time to Think About ROI

Purchasing a machine tool is no small decision – it's one that requires an evaluation beyond the initial machine tool purchase price. On the surface, this evaluation can seem like a daunting task, but Wade Anderson and the Okuma team have taken the guesswork out of this process by developing a return on investment (ROI) calculator, which includes key criteria to be considered by shops of all sizes. Using the calculation method, shop owners and operators can calculate metrics such as total profit per job, part cycle time, cost per part, margin levels, and more. As a bonus, session attendees receive access to a free ROI calculator, making it easy to choose the right investment for your shop.

Wade Anderson

**Product Specialist Manager &
Tech Center Manager
Okuma America Corp.**



Wade Anderson is a machinist who started programming machine tools in 1992. His early years were spent machining large, heavy equipment components. He became an applications engineer for a machine tool builder, where he spent 11 years developing super abrasive aerospace and medical processes with an emphasis on 5-axis grinding. Anderson did a lot of 5-axis programming and machine tool troubleshooting – even building machine tools from the ground up. He joined Okuma America Corp. in 2005 as an applications engineer and moved from there to inside sales, sales engineer, and regional manager. He currently serves as product specialist manager and tech centers manager, where his diverse background enables him to help Okuma's distributors and end users.



Okuma America Corp. is the U.S. based affiliate of Okuma Corp. founded in 1898 in Nagoya, Japan. Okuma is known for its technology leadership, manufacturing, product quality, and dedication to customer service. Okuma products are used in the automotive, aerospace and defense, construction and farming equipment, oil and energy, medical, mold and die, and fluid power industries. Machines include vertical and horizontal machining centers, lathes, double column machining centers, grinders, and wheel machines that offer users high throughput, high accuracy, and reliable solutions to production machining operations.

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WADE ANDERSON

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Starting as a machine tool programmer in 1992, Wade focused on 5-axis grinding, programming, and troubleshooting. He joined Okuma America Corporation in 2005 as an Applications Engineer and has advanced to his current role. Wade's expertise and vast knowledge help Okuma's distributors and customers overcome manufacturing challenges.



Wednesday, 9/14

9:00 to 9:55 a.m. / Room W193-A

Topic Track: Systems Integration

Session Topic: CNC Machining Automation- Best Practices for Flexibility, Resilience, and Profitability

Today's manufacturing operations are complex with increasing product variants, changes in demand, and lead time requirements. As computer numerical control (CNC) machining evolves toward done-in-one processes, supportive device and data system integrations become more common, the necessity for smart operations planning is important. Compounding constant conditions are the sustainability and skilled labor challenges. Establishing a production environment that's resilient and flexible is the goal, but what are the best ways to achieve that? How does a manufacturer build in flexibility, yet also profitability? The short answer: with the proper tools and mindset. Nathan Turner will present field-proven ways to produce small, high-mix batches economically by combining the efficiencies of physical movement, process integration, production planning, and employee engagement.

Participants will learn:

- The three building blocks for economical batch manufacturing: automating physical movements, production planning, and process integration
- How to automate multi-functional machine tools and integrate secondary operations such as finishing, washing, and metrology
- The emerging and exciting automation technologies, including AGVs, 3D printing, and 5G connectivity
- How factory automation helps attract and keep talented employees

Nathan Turner

President

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Nathan Turner, president of Fastems LLC, has more than 30 years of experience in automation technologies. Prior to joining Fastems, he held leadership roles at Rockwell Automation, including director of business development; director of integrated architecture – EMEA [Europe, the Middle East, and Africa]; and director of product development. Turner also served Beijer Electronics, Miller Electric, Automation Inc., Mitsubishi Electric, and Yaskawa America. Turner holds a BSME degree in Mechanical Engineering at Northwestern University.



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Wednesday, 9/14

10:00 to 10:55 a.m. / Room W193-B

Topic Track: Process Innovations

Session Topic: Boosting Profits from Swiss-Type Machines by Better Use of the Sub-Spindle

Swiss-type CNC turning centers are gaining popularity as the parts they produce trend toward higher precision and micro-sized features. To be competitive, smart use of the machine's full capabilities is a big advantage. Achieving lights-out production and minimizing machine cycle times are key tactical objectives.

Join Matt Saccomanno, co-founder and CEO of Masa Tool, as he explains advanced workholding techniques that change the scope of what's possible on a Swiss-type machine [also known as a sliding head or guide bushing machine]. Balancing the main- and sub-spindle cycle times, achieving reliable untended production [lights out], and reducing scrap and down time are the focus of this informative and interactive presentation. Much of this material is also applicable to other types of machining centers, especially when making small parts. Bring your real-world problem parts to the session for a strategy discussion with Saccomanno.

The session is beneficial for machinists, CNC programmers, manufacturing engineers, tool crib personnel, and hands-on managers. This is a presentation of new and advanced techniques for gaining productivity from Swiss-type CNC machines, with emphasis on maximizing use of the machine's counter-spindle [sub-spindle]. Essentially a fully capable machine within a machine, the sub-spindle is rarely used at more than 20% efficiency, which is a huge waste of productive capacity. Most of the roadblocks to increased usage stem from limitations of traditional workholding. The presentation is loaded with real-life examples and practical do-right-now techniques.

Matt Saccomanno

CEO

Masa Tool



Matt Saccomanno has more than four decades of experience in Swiss-type machining and related fields of product design and engineering. Working as a production operator, setup machinist, manufacturing engineer, product design consultant, inventor, and company founder, he's met challenges from every direction in the field of precision manufacturing.



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11:00 to 11:55 a.m. / Room W192-A

Topic Track: Process Innovations

Session Topic: Next Generation in Continuous Generating Grinding of Aerospace, Ice, and EV Gear

Continuous generating gear grinding is one of the most demanding grinding applications in the automotive and aerospace industries. To improve gear efficiency, gear life, and noise levels, gear profile tolerances and surface finish requirements are becoming more stringent. This is especially true for electric vehicle (EV) gears, which typically require lower noise characteristics than traditional automotive gears.

These new quality requirements must be maintained without sacrificing cycle time, and without inducing grinding burn. One of the biggest factors to achieving these goals is a grinding wheel capable of producing low grinding force and low grinding temperatures, while minimizing the wear of the grinding wheel. The toughness and sharpness of the abrasive, porosity, and strength of the bond, and interaction between the bond and workpiece are key.

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1:15 to 2:10 p.m. / Room W193-B

Topic Track: Process Innovations

Session Topic: Automation and Monitoring as a Subsequent Technology to Optimize Machine Utilization

We'll discuss new computer numerical controls (CNC) and process monitoring technology, focusing on the digital twin with dynamic collision monitoring and machine component monitoring with overall process monitoring. Attendees will learn how to make the digital shop floor a reality using the latest CNC motion control technology and the related software and hardware components in conjunction with modern 5-axis machining centers. We'll discuss important process steps and break them down into small bite size sections, from program preparation to part setup and in process monitoring. The presentation will conclude with an explanation on how the overall process monitoring can help improve process reliability and keep the overall machine usability rate high.

Gisbert Ledvon

Director of Business Development Machine Tool

Heidenhain Corporation



Gisbert Ledvon is the director of business development, machine tool for Heidenhain Corp. in North America.

With more than 25 years of extensive corporate industrial machine business experience, Ledvon is responsible for growing the CNC control and the digital manufacturing solutions side of the Heidenhain business in this region. Prior to joining Heidenhain, Ledvon served as the director of business development and the applications manager for GF Machining Solutions (formerly AgieCharmilles). He is a regular contributor to technical articles in key trade magazines and has contributed several chapters about "Electrical Discharge machining Technology" (EDM) for the McGraw-Hill Manufacturing Engineering Handbook, published in 2004 and 2016.

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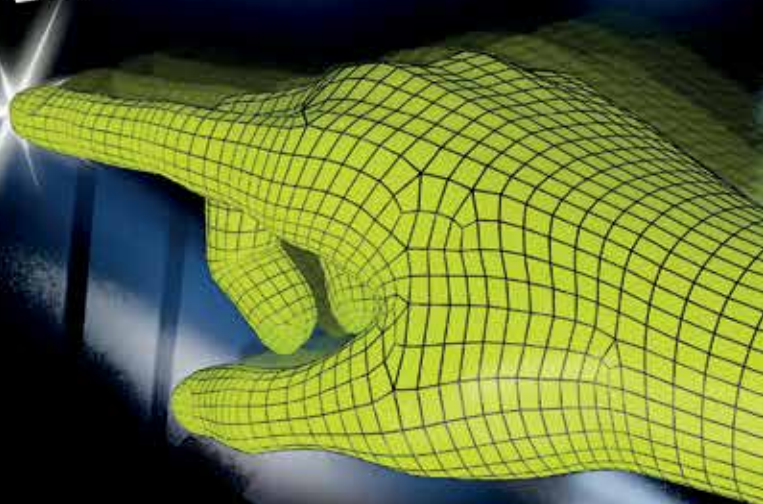
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1:15 to 2:10 p.m. / Room W194-A

Topic Track: Systems Integration

Session Topic: Discover the Benefits of Using the Digital Twin in CNC Machines

Manufacturing is changing faster than ever before. CNC technology has developed dramatically in the past decades, extremely extending the machine's cutting efficiency. Now manufacturers are stepping into the new era of productivity improvement with digital twin technology. During this presentation, we'll discuss how the digital twin can help a machine builder shorten their machine's product lifecycle management (PLM) cycle by moving processes out of the critical path; how the digital twin can improve communication between machine builders and end-customers; and how digital twin technology can help end-users increase their manufacturing productivity and accelerate business growth.

Tiansu Jing

Product Manager

Siemens Industry



Tiansu Jing is the product manager of SINUMERIK CNC systems in the U.S. at Siemens Industry Inc. He has 14 years of experience in CNC applications, development, and marketing. Jing is currently focusing on digitalization of machine tools.

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Wednesday, 9/14

3:15 to 4:10 p.m. / Room W193-A

Topic Track: Systems Integration

Session Topic: Implementing Intelligent Industrial Automation A Practical Guide

For years, modern manufacturing deployed robots and other forms of automation to reduce the need for manual operations and increase throughput. Driven by increasing shortages of skilled labor and competitive pressures, it's no longer enough to only automate manual tasks. Intelligent industrial automation provides the real-time decision making that'll drive productivity, profitability, and manufacturing flexibility. Join Renishaw as we explore the current state of advanced manufacturing and learn of technologies that can be deployed to drive intelligent automation.

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Dan Skulan

**General Manager
Renishaw Inc.**



Dan Skulan helps companies increase production throughput, maximize flexibility, and ensure optimal part quality in precision metal manufacturing using computer numerical control (CNC) and additive technologies. Backed by a global team of industrial metrologists, he works consultatively with companies who wish to achieve higher levels of productivity while reducing cost. Skulan holds degrees in electronics technology, industrial manufacturing, and marketing and has more than 35 years practical experience with manufacturing process evaluation, design, and automated process control.



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Thursday, 9/15

9:00 to 9:55 a.m. / Room W192-A

Topic Track: Process Innovations

Session Topic: Creating Adaptable Solutions to Improve Workholding Technology Efficiency

The COVID-19 pandemic and the pressure it has placed on supply chains, hiring needs, and skills training has only exacerbated the inherent inefficiencies of existing approaches to workholding.

Current workholding processes involve single-application aluminum soft jaws, which introduce resource challenges and require a significant amount of time, skill, and raw material, even before a single part is milled. Re-thinking traditional soft jaw processes to focus on adaptable solutions can eliminate entire steps from an existing process, simplifying workflow and curtailing the time, effort and cost expended in traditional workholding.

In this presentation, you will learn how ground-breaking innovations in the CNC machining workflow can have a huge impact on several pain points in the industry. Furthermore, you will see how allowing lean in-house manufacturing operations and limiting vulnerability to supply chain disruptions will ultimately save your operation valuable time and labor costs.

Rachel Short

**Managing Director,
Workholding
Division**

Norgren Inc.



Rachel Short has been an executive within technical solution companies for more than 15 years. She holds a B.S. in business management from the University of Colorado and is currently the managing director for the Norgren Workholding division of IMI Precision Engineering. Her career focus continues to be in the development of solutions for customers that'll positively impact the success of their business.



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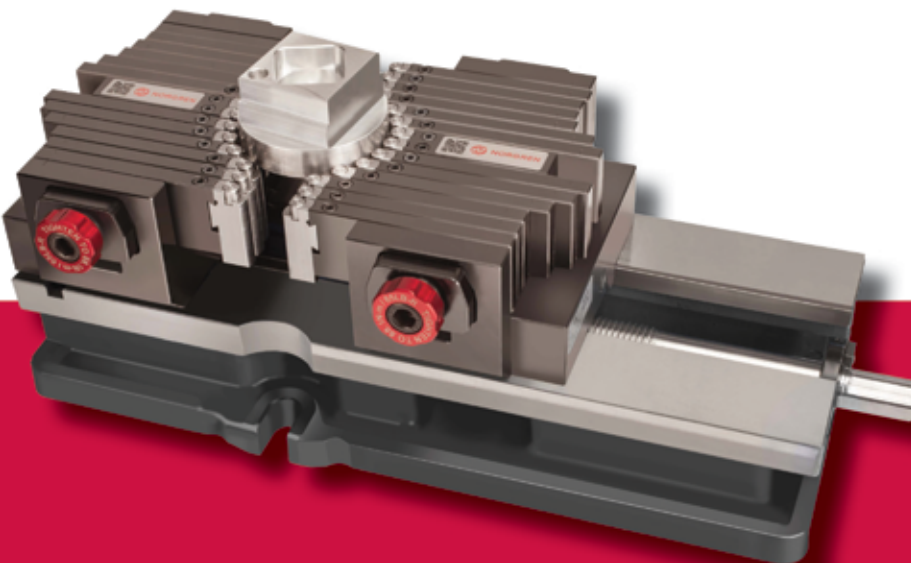
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Thursday, 9/15

10:00 to 10:55 a.m. / Room W193-A

Topic Track: Quality and Metrology

Session Topic: Calibration Fundamentals

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Dr. James G. Salsbury

**General Manager of
Corporate Metrology**

**Mitutoyo America
Corp.**



Dr. James G. Salsbury is the general manager of corporate metrology at Mitutoyo America Corp. He has been working in the measurement field for over 30 years and has been with Mitutoyo since 2000.

Salsbury is an award-winning author in the area of measurement, a frequent speaker and instructor, and was the recipient of the NCSL International 2021 Education and Training Award for his outstanding contribution to the field of measurement science education and training. Salsbury is an active participant in national and international standards efforts in dimensional metrology and tolerancing, including being a member of the ASME B89 Main Committee and a U.S. appointed subject matter expert to ISO/TC 213. Salsbury received his doctoral degree from the Center for Precision Metrology at the University of North Carolina at Charlotte.

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Thursday, 9/15

10:00 to 10:55 a.m. / Room W194-A

Topic Track: Process Innovations

Session Topic: Washing Market –
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Gilles Le Quilleuc

**Head of Business
General Industry &
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Gilles Le Quilleuc serves as head of business general industry & food at Stäubli Robotics and is responsible for the strategic development and growth of the robotics activity in these industries for North America. He started his career at Stäubli in 2001. He held several engineering and technical management positions including Italy robotics division manager and executive committee member. In 2017, Le Quilleuc became the director of sales and business development of Stäubli Robotics North America. He has a Bachelor of Applied Science in BASc, electrical and electronics engineering from the Conservatoire National des Arts et Métiers.

John Burke

**Regional Sales
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John Burke serves as regional sales manager of Stäubli Robotics. He joined Stäubli in 2015 and is responsible for robotic project management and sales in the food, semiconductor, metal, and automotive industries. Burke has more than 20 years of experience in the automation industry, and seven years of experience in robotics. He has a Bachelor of Science in mechanical engineering from the NC State University.



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Thursday, 9/15

11:00 to 11:55 a.m. / Room W192-C

Topic Track: Quality and Metrology

Session Topic: Vibration-Immune 3D Measurements Enable Production Automation for Precision-Machined Parts

Precision-machined parts in aviation, automotive, and manufacturing industries have tightly controlled tolerances for the dozens of small geometries spread throughout a single part. Commonly referred to as edge break, chamfers, and rounded edges can have specifications on the order of a few thousandths of an inch called out on every edge transition on the part. The sheer number of measurements needed on each part paired with the high volume of parts demands the ability to take not only one measurement quickly but dozens in a rapid process. Quick, single-frame measurements of edge break geometries and defects can be done with a polarized structured light (PSL) method. The vibration immunity provided by single-frame measurements allows for PSL instruments to be mounted on collaborative robots. Robotic automation of such a device yields accurate measurements at volume in short amounts of time. This presentation will discuss gage studies and the increased speed of inspection with automated optical measurements on stationary parts, parts moving on a production line, and rotationally symmetric parts on a rotary stage. The presentation will also look at ongoing projects aiming to automate the inspection process itself, enabling one operator to inspect entire parts in minutes rather than days.

Dr. Erik Novak

**Vice President
and General
Manager**

4D Technology



Dr. Erik Novak is Vice President and General Manager at 4D Technology, where he has worked since 2013. He has been developing instrumentation for precision metrology for more than 24 years in applications such as semiconductor, optics, aerospace, automotive, photovoltaics, and medical devices. Novak has received seven international product awards, holds over a dozen patents, and has more than sixty publications and book chapters related to surface measurement and industrial process control.

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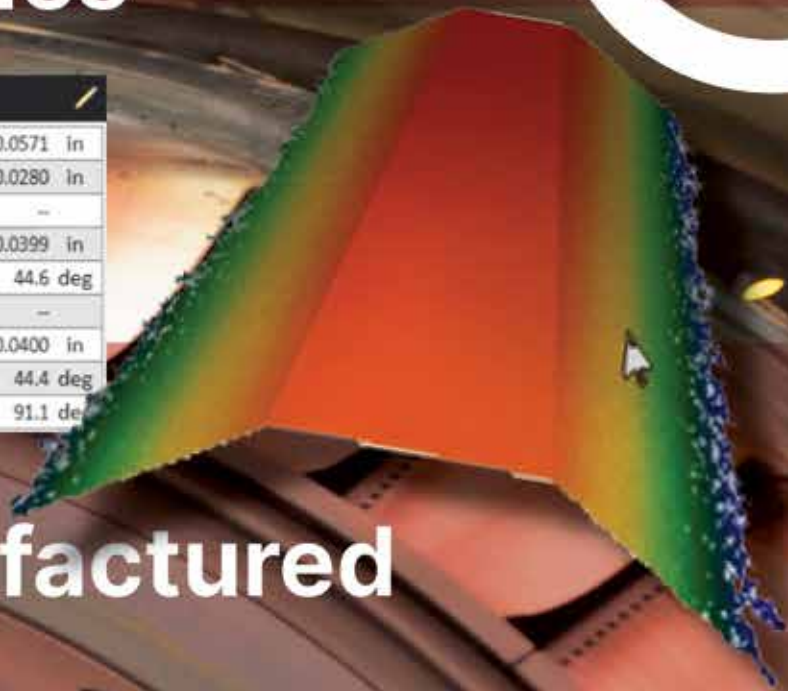
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Thursday, 9/15

2:15 to 3:10 p.m. / Room W192-B

Topic Track: Process Innovations

Session Topic: Eliminating Scrap in Sheet Metal Stamping Production: In-Line Process Control Anchored in Smart Engineering

Stamping lines generate scrap when production conditions slide outside the “process window” the line is tuned to run within: ranges of tonnage, material, gauge, lubrication, blank positioning, etc. In reality, these parameters are not sufficiently controllable. When this happens, even the most sophisticated in-line data acquisition and process control/artificial intelligence [AI] technologies are incapable of bringing production outcomes into quality compliance without compromising part quality or piece cost. AI and control algorithms simply cannot override basic laws of mechanics and material behavior. Smart Engineering is a systematic approach to engineering a process with narrow quality metrics and a wide process window. This presentation provides insight into the digital execution of this approach, starting from early product design, through process development, all the way to validation/certification of its true potential in producing quality compliant stampings.

Kidambi Kannan

Technical Specialist

AutoForm Engineering USA



Kidambi Kannan is a technical specialist with AutoForm Engineering USA. His responsibilities include the role of technical specialist and training management. Following a Ph.D. in Materials Science and Engineering from the University of Maryland, College Park, Kidambi joined EASi Engineering as a project engineer. He eventually served as project manager for sheet metal forming projects. Kidambi joined AutoForm Engineering USA Inc. in 2002 as technical manager and has been intimately involved in the rapid and industry-wide expansion of AutoForm's presence throughout the past 19 years.



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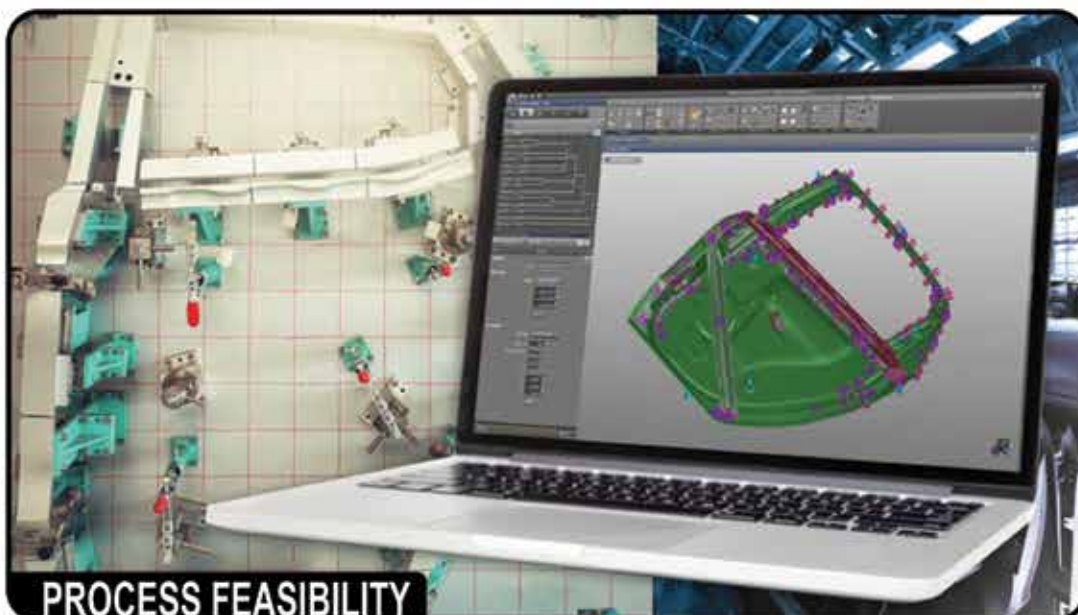
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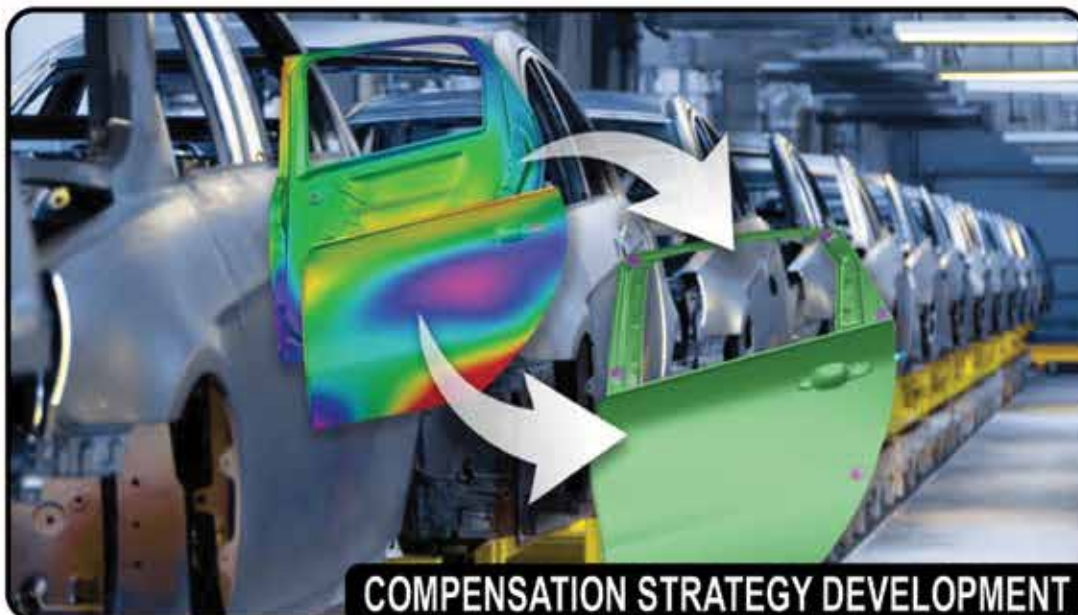
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