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**Meeting Point for the International Hydrogen Industry**

**HYDROGEN DIALOGUE 2023 – Summit & Expo**

**6 - 7 December in Nuremberg**

The key event for the entire value chain of the hydrogen economy is coming up: the HYDROGEN DIALOGUE 2023 - Summit & Expo powered by Handelsblatt Hydrogen Summit Update on 6 and 7 December in Nuremberg. The central event of the European hydrogen industry brings together leading minds from politics, business and science to shape the future of the hydrogen industry. "We are looking forward to welcoming the who's who of national and international hydrogen experts and will be covering everything from production to utilisation in the Summit and Expo," says Jasmin Rutka, Event Director HYDROGEN DIALOGUE at NürnbergMesse.

The extensive programme will be supplemented for the first time by a cooperation with Handelsblatt. The Hydrogen Summit Update on 6 December 2023 will focus on the market ramp-up of the national hydrogen economy with keynote speeches, Q&A sessions and discussions. Almost 50 exhibitors will present innovations, products and solutions for the production, transport and use of the gas, which is set to play a major role in European decarbonisation.

With Michael Kellner, Parliamentary State Secretary in the Federal Ministry for Economic Affairs and Climate Action, one of the most important federal ministries for the ramp-up of hydrogen is prominently represented. A session entitled "The Hydrogen Revolution", chaired by Prof. Dr Veronika Grimm from Friedrich-Alexander-Universität Erlangen-Nürnberg, member of the German Council of Economic Experts and co-chair of Zentrum Wasserstoff.Bayern (H2.B), will focus on the challenges and strategies that are crucial for the successful market ramp-up of the hydrogen economy. Gillian Martin, Minister for Energy and the Environment of the Scottish Government, will provide an impulse with the title "Building an international bridge to a climate-friendly future". Another highlight will be the panel discussion with leading representatives from the industry – such as Shena Britzen from Rheinmetall AG and Dr Stefan Gossens from Schaeffler Technologies AG & Co. KG. This session offers a unique opportunity to gain insights into company perspectives and future prospects in the field of hydrogen.

The HYDROGEN DIALOGUE 2023 – Summit & Expo powered by Handelsblatt Hydrogen Summit Update enters its second day with an international focus: Tudor Constantinescu from the EU Commission (DG ENER) will discuss the development of international value chains for green hydrogen with other experts.

Another highlight is be a panel discussion with experts such as Dr Matthias Jenn from bayernets GmbH and Belhassen Chiboub from the Tunisian Ministry of Industry, Mines and Energy. The international panel will talk about the setup of a hydrogen corridor from North Africa to Europe, a project that is already being worked on intensively.

Attractive accompanying events for financing and transport

The VDE FINANCIAL DIALOGUE HYDROGEN 2023 will address topics from industry, finance, insurance, law and politics in keynote speeches and discussion panels. And the second edition of the EUROPEAN HYDROGEN TRANSPORT DIALOGUE will bring together the top 30 companies in the hydrogen transport industry with leading sustainability investors, venture capitalists, companies, government and financial institutions.

**Expo: From prototype to marketable innovation**

And the almost 50 exhibitors in the expo area of the event can come up with very specific products and solutions: many approaches have outgrown the prototype stage and are long since ready for practical application. From long-distance gas network operators to industrial companies, there are many players who are working intensively on the production, transport or utilisation of hydrogen. However, it is not just ideas or prototypes that are on show, but also very specific technological solutions and fields of application in which green hydrogen has already replaced fossil fuels. A Scottish whisky distillery will showcase how hydrogen can be used to produce climate-positive schnapps at a whisky tasting event to round off the first day of the fair.

"The ramp-up of the hydrogen economy has long since begun. We show the state of development and provide the platform for completely new innovations and products that are already ready for the market," says Jasmin Rutka. "The HYDROGEN DIALOGUE 2023 – Summit & Expo powered by Handelsblatt Hydrogen Summit Update brings together people from politics, administration, business and science. I am looking forward to the many new ideas that our international guests will bring with them and develop together."

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