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WELCOME ADDRESS



Alf Reuter

Dear colleagues,
dear OTWorld participants,

Fifty years ago, a journey began that continues to this day. In 1976, as the German Association of Orthopaedic Technology (BIV-OT), we laid the foundation for an idea that grew larger than we could have imagined at the time. In 1976, we launched an interdisciplinary and internationally oriented congress and trade show under the name 'O+R'. We wanted to open up and talk to orthopaedic footwear professionals, doctors, scientists, physiotherapists and manufacturers, both in Germany and abroad, about new ways to increase mobility and participation. This has long since become OTWorld – a world congress, leading international trade fair and a place close to the hearts of all of us who provide people with medical aids.

It fills me with great joy that we as a profession laid the foundation for this unique global meeting place for the sector and have been bringing it to life for 50 years now. In the first few decades, we organised the event on our own, but for over 25 years now, Leipziger Messe has been a strong and reliable partner at our side. It is one of Germany's leading trade show centres and, as the organisers of the international trade show, brings its expertise in medical trade shows and congresses to the joint development of OTWorld with great commitment and a high degree of professionalism. In order to



professionally and sustainably meet the ever-growing organisational demands of this event that connects worlds, we founded Confairmed in 2010. It organises the World Congress and consistently drives the development of new knowledge formats.

For me, the anniversary motto 'You make the difference' sums up what it's all about. You make the difference – for people. It's all about them, their health, their quality of life, their mobility, their personal goals. And that also means that each and every one of us must make a difference. As doctors, therapists and orthopaedic technicians, we feel for our patients and users with our eyes and see with our hands. Only in this way can we achieve the best possible orthopaedic treatment and care for them.

I think of many moving moments from my professional life: the smile of a child who can walk again with an orthosis. The joy of a mother who found her way back to life with a prosthesis after an



accident. Such encounters remind me why we do what we do. They are the heartbeat of our work.

My thanks go to all those who, with passion, expertise and heart, ensure that technical orthopaedics is making progress worldwide – technicians, therapists, doctors, scientists and manufacturers. And last but not least, to the people without whose trust and feedback our work would be meaningless.

I would particularly like to highlight the congress presidents and OTWorld.friends. With their professional expertise, commitment and network, they ensure that OTWorld remains at the highest level in terms of content and organisation. Their contribution shows what can be achieved when expertise, passion and cooperation come together.

Fifty years of OTWorld – that's fifty years of community, progress and humanity. This anniversary is not a destination. It is a moment to pause and reflect,

and a moment of new beginnings. We are facing new challenges: a shortage of skilled workers, digitalisation, responsibility in a global context. This makes it all the more important for each individual to take responsibility.

I am delighted to celebrate this anniversary with all participants – as part of a community that connects people, drives care and changes lives. Here's to the next fifty years – and to everyone who makes a difference.

Yours sincerely

Alf Reuter

President of the German Association of Orthopaedic Technology (BIV-OT)

WELCOME ADDRESS



Martin Buhl-Wagner



Dear participants,
Dear exhibitors and guests of OTWorld,

It is a great pleasure and honour to welcome you back to Leipzig in 2026 – and for a very special occasion: we are celebrating 50 years of OTWorld. Half a century of innovation, commitment and shared responsibility for a better quality of life.

For over 25 years, Leipziger Messe has been helping to shape this globally unique event. During this time, OTWorld has not only developed into a leading international trade fair and world congress. It has also become a place where innovation, interdisciplinary exchange and humanity come together in a very special way for the benefit of patients.

The close and trusting cooperation with the German Association of Orthopaedic Technology (BIV-OT), Confairmed and all our partners is invaluable to us. Together, we have created a platform that sets global standards – for modern orthopaedic treatment and care and the interplay between skilled trades, medicine and high-tech. All of this motivates us at Leipziger Messe to give our all to the event. Personally, I am deeply impressed by what people and technology can achieve together – in the service of a better quality of life.

As a traditional trade fair venue and cosmopolitan city, Leipzig is proud to be part of this progressive development. We see ourselves not only as organisers, but also as enablers: for encounters, for innovations, for a strong community. Because we too want to make a difference.

Especially in times of increasing digitalisation, events such as OTWorld demonstrate how important personal interaction remains. This is where

networks are formed, ideas are born and the future is shaped. OTWorld is a shining example of how much can be achieved when people come together with heart, mind and vision. At Leipziger Messe, we create the perfect setting for this – today and in the future. My thanks go to everyone who made this anniversary possible – through their ideas, their commitment and their loyalty to OTWorld. Here's to a successful anniversary edition and to a continued inspiring future that enables people to live better lives – here in Leipzig.

Yours sincerely

Martin Buhl-Wagner
Managing Director of Leipziger Messe GmbH



Dr. Doris Maier



Thomas Münch

Dear colleagues,
dear OTWorld participants,

OTWorld 2026 is a very special moment for us. This event is turning 50 – half a century in which people around the world have benefited from the ideas, innovations and inspiration that have emerged here.

We would like to thank everyone who has accompanied and shaped OTWorld over the past five decades – whether as contributors, exhibitors or participants. Your commitment has enabled orthopaedic treatment and care to continuously evolve.

We have had close ties with OTWorld for many years. This congress inspired us early on – with its ideas, its diversity and the people who are passionately committed to the common goal of providing the best possible orthopaedic treatment and care for patients. For us, OTWorld is the place where knowledge, curiosity and the will to develop further come together.

Looking back over the past five decades, we can see how much orthopaedic treatment and care has changed. New materials, digital processes and innovative technologies have been added, constantly opening up new opportunities. At the same time, skilled trades and proven medical procedures and therapies continue to form the indispensable foundation of our joint work. This combination of tradition and innovation has improved the quality of life, mobility and self-determination of countless people around the world who depend on medical aids. This progress has only been possible because many disciplines work closely together – doctors, therapists, prosthetists and orthotists, orthopaedic footwear professionals, medical supply store employees, physiotherapists and cost bearers. It is precisely this cooperation that we want to highlight and further strengthen at OTWorld 2026.

The anniversary motto ‘50 years – you make the difference’ sums up what motivates us: each and every one of us makes a decisive contribution every day. Together, we bear responsibility for ensuring that patients worldwide receive the best possible orthopaedic treatment and care. That is why, in this special year, we are focusing on three topics that are particularly close to our hearts: training, rehabilitation and integrative care. Because the next generation needs a strong foundation – in terms of skilled trades, medicine and interdisciplinarity.

The World Congress provides the ideal setting for this. With symposia, workshops, open submissions and a special programme for medical supply store employees, it creates space for practical training, lively exchange and new ideas. Take advantage of these days in Leipzig to network, learn from each other and contribute your experiences.

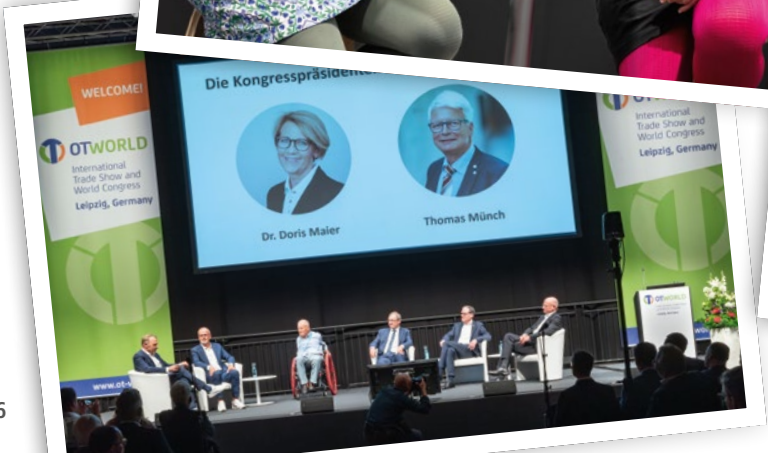
Our sector thrives on people who work with passion, knowledge and creativity. It is all of you who make the difference – yesterday, today and tomorrow. We look forward to celebrating 50 years of progress together with all participants and at the same time laying the foundation for the next decades of orthopaedic treatment and care.

Yours sincerely

Dr. Doris Maier
Congress President OTWorld 2026

Thomas Münch
Congress President OTWorld 2026

A LOOK BACK –
MOMENTS WE SHARED
AT THE OTWORLD





ABOUT OTWORLD

OTWorld 2026 combines a world congress and international trade show to create the largest meeting place for modern orthopaedic treatment and care. Every two years in Leipzig, you will meet experts from the fields of prosthetics and orthotics, rehabilitation technology, medicine, physiotherapy and science. Together, you will exchange ideas about the latest care concepts and innovations in the field of technical orthopaedics.

OTWorld offers you knowledge, guidance and inspiration for your daily work and patient care. **Take advantage of OTWorld's extensive conference programme, expand your expertise and play an active role in shaping the future of health-care – because you make the difference.**

**ALL WORKSHOPS
ARE INCLUDED
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STRUCTURE AND TOPICS OF THE CONGRESS

How can modern orthopaedic treatment and care improve the quality of life and social participation of people around the world who depend on assistive devices? How can you contribute? Whether you are a technician, therapist or doctor, you will find answers to these questions at the World Congress.

SYMPOSIA, WORKSHOPS OR FREE PAPERS

OTWorld's comprehensive range of training courses is delivered in a variety of formats. These cover not only the latest study results and best practices, but also valuable treatment cases taken directly from everyday practice and interesting manufacturing techniques.

Personal contact with sector experts and intensive exchange of experiences among colleagues are what make this world congress so special. Attending guarantees you a knowledge advantage in the provision of medical aids, enabling you to continue making a decisive difference for your patients in the future.





YOUR KNOWLEDGE ADVANTAGE IN ONE PLACE

The OTWorld Congress brings together **the entire range of continuing education opportunities in the sector** in one place – put together your own personal programme.

Symposia, the heart of the congress, are organised by internationally recognised speakers and offer in-depth specialist knowledge. Free papers enable the direct exchange of the latest scientific findings.

Look forward to **daily workshops** where you will work directly with and on patients and gain valuable practical knowledge for your everyday work. The **exhibitor workshops** integrated into the congress programme will inform you about innovative products and offer you additional value through direct exchange.

For medical supply store employees, there is a separate, compact programme with daily workshops on **lymphology and practical care** tailored specifically to your needs.

To help you quickly identify which content is relevant to you in the conference programme, we provide **concise take-home messages** for each session. These summarise the most important points at a glance, allowing you to quickly orientate yourself and get the most out of the conference.

Thanks to AI-based **simultaneous interpreting** in German and English (other languages available), you can participate without any language barriers.



CERTIFICATION

Attendance at the World Congress will be rewarded with continuing education credits for for Prosthetists and Orthotists, orthopaedic footwear professionals, physiotherapists and accident insurance consultants. Credits will be applied for at the following institutions:

- American Board for Certification in Orthotics, Prosthetics & Pedorthics (ABC)
- Arbeitsgemeinschaft Orthopädieschuhtechnik (AGOS)
- Deutscher Verband für Physiotherapie (ZVK) e.V.
- Institut für Qualitätssicherung und Zertifizierung in der Orthopädie-Technik (IQZ)
- Ortho Reha Suisse
- New: Polish Society for Orthotics and Prosthetics (PTOiPr)

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No simultaneous interpretation, lecture in English



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Workshops



Workshops for employees of medical supply stores



Workshops for physiotherapists

AI-BASED SIMULTANEOUS TRANSLATION

To ensure you can fully experience every moment of our congress, we are offering AI-based simultaneous translation in **German** and **English** in Halls 1-4, Congress Center OTWorld (CCO).

Simply download the app using the QR code, use your own smartphone or tablet – in line with the 'bring your own device' principle – and listen to or read the presentations in the language you feel most comfortable with. **Please remember to bring your headphones.**



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09:00 – 18:00 POSTER PRESENTATION

Poster presentation – permanently available in the foyer of the CCO

In the ePoster exhibition, you will encounter a wide range of ideas from research and practice that invite you to discover new perspectives.

09:15 – 10:15 WORKSHOP

In collaboration with BUFA

Clinical Examination and Orthotic Treatment of the Upper Limbs

Chair: P&O Bernd Sibbel

Orthoses are designed to relieve, stabilise or guide the movement of muscles, bones or joints. They can be adjusted to allow controlled movement or to restrict freedom of movement in order to immobilise a joint. As an expert in prosthetics and orthotics, you will identify the affected area of the body, e.g. using a plaster cast or a 3D scan, and take charge of manufacturing and fitting the orthosis. The wide range of indications requires in-depth knowledge of pathophysiological mechanisms and biomechanical principles. You will gain an overview of aspects of manufacturing an individual orthosis as well as valuable tips for practical patient treatment.

09:15 – 10:15 WORKSHOP

In collaboration with GFFC

“You Are Special” – Technical Orthopaedics: Combining Craftsmanship with Artificial Intelligence and 3D Printing, Taking Patients into the Future

Chair: Dr. Dirk-Theodor Schraeder

You will learn about the applications of artificial intelligence and additive manufacturing in the medical

field: through presentations on radiological analysis of X-ray images, scanning and CAD-supported modelling in a workshop, 3D-printed orthoses for Charcot foot, and digitally supported rehabilitation after patient treatment, you will discover how modern technologies can also support you in your work.

09:15 – 10:15 WORKSHOP

In collaboration with DGIHV

Update Compendium on Lower Limb Prosthetics – Practical Application from Socket Design to Gait Training

Chair: Dr. Armin Koller, Ingo Pfefferkorn

What's new in the compendium – and how can you use the content in your daily work? This workshop presents the updated chapters on socket systems, burn treatment, and TOPS treatment in a practical manner. Based on user examples from clinics and prosthetics and orthotics practice, you will gain valuable insights into structured decision-making, interdisciplinary collaboration, and the safe implementation of current treatment approaches – directly transferable to your everyday practice. A must for every prosthetist and orthotist and all professionals involved in the relevant fields.

10:30 – 11:45 SYMPOSIUM

In collaboration with VQSA

Quality Standard 2.0 – Contemporary Arm Prosthetics and Treatment of Individuals with Malformations and Amputations of the Upper Limb

Chair: Michael Schäfer, Merkur Alimusaaj

Arm prosthetics are undergoing a significant advancement with the introduction of Quality Standard 2.0 by the VQSA e.V. This updated version builds on the

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established system and features an improved structure, as well as revised and expanded content aimed at optimising patient treatment. You will learn how to contribute to the goal of offering those affected improved functionality, enhanced comfort, and a better quality of life.

10:30 – 11:45 FREE PAPERS

Innovations in Design, Materials, and Training – Pathways to Individualised Prosthetic Treatment and Care

Chair: Ingo Pfefferkorn, Dr. med. Johannes Schröter

You will gain insight into current developments in individualised prosthetic treatment: How do design, material and user training interact when it comes to user-specific socket concepts for transfemoral amputations ("situational sockets"), thermoplastic liners as the key to precise residual limb treatment, and comparative results of active and passive microprocessor-controlled knee prostheses? In addition, you will learn about the significance of individual prosthetic-use training for functional and psychosocial rehabilitation, particularly in cases of arm amputation.

10:30 – 11:45 FREE PAPERS

Paediatric Orthotics – A Perfect Fit from the Outset

Chair: Pia Niesner, Dr. Ulrich Hafkemeyer

Growth guidance in childhood presents particular challenges. You will learn how modern technologies can help you create child-friendly, effective and practical treatment solutions even for the youngest patients, allowing them greater freedom of movement and participation, and, in the best case – for example with cranial deformities – to grow up healthy.

10:30 – 11:45 FREE PAPERS

Focus on the Foot – Advances in Modern Treatment and Care

Chair: Thomas Stief, Tino Sprekelmeyer

You will learn how orthopaedic footwear and individual foot orthoses are redefining comfort, function and acceptance. Current studies and practical experience show how different treatment concepts – from hallux valgus orthoses to AI-based offloading systems – can influence mobility, load and the healing process. You will also learn how to select treatment solutions in a targeted way in order to sustainably improve gait patterns, quality of life and user satisfaction.

11:00 – 11:45 EXHIBITOR WORKSHOP



Amparo Prosthetics

Hydrostatic Weight-Bearing Direct-Fit in Practice for the best lower-limb prosthetic fit

Speaker: Bibiana Almeida

Discover the future of socket fabrication. See how Majicast and Amparo's direct-fit technology work together to produce consistent, high-quality prosthetic sockets using hydrostatic pressure – no plaster, no guesswork.

11:00 – 11:45 EXHIBITOR WORKSHOP



Rebooon Bionics B.V.

Choose the right motorized knee, Intuy Knee, NEO, RISE or PRO

Speaker: Shiqian Wang

Since the start of 2025, we have significantly expanded our portfolio with the official introduction of the Intuy Knee NEO, RISE, and PRO. These new additions, alongside the original Intuy Knee, offer users a much

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wider range of options. This workshop is designed to highlight the differences between these models and provide practitioners with clear guidance on selecting the optimal prosthetic knee based on individual user needs. Mr. Wang, a seasoned researcher and entrepreneur, embarked on the development of exoskeletons and motorized prostheses in 2010. He founded Rebocon Bionics in 2016. Under his leadership, a talented team successfully brought the Intuy Knee prosthetic system to market. This flagship product has since secured a position of technological leadership. Mr. Wang remains committed to continuous innovation, currently driving efforts to make the Intuy Knee even lighter and more intuitive, thereby extending the product's market dominance and user benefit.

11:00–11:45 EXHIBITOR WORKSHOP

Ethnocare

The solution for lower limb volume variation

Speaker: Marc-Antoine Malouin Lizotte

The Overlay™ TT and TF are innovative prosthetic solutions designed to address limb volume fluctuations, one of the most common challenges in socket fitting. By offering a user-friendly and reliable system, the Overlay™ helps patients maintain comfort and mobility while reducing the need for frequent clinical adjustments.

11:00–11:45 EXHIBITOR WORKSHOP

Koalaa

Early rehabilitation after upper limb amputation using soft shell prostheses

Speaker: Nate Macabuga

Early rehabilitation using a prosthesis after upper limb amputation could help amputees adapt to limb loss more quickly, preserve muscle strength and

adopt upper limb prostheses more often. Hanger Clinic has co-developed new soft prostheses with Koalaa for fitting within a few hours of amputation and are deploying them as part of their new post amputation upper limb pathway. This workshop will consider the evidence for early prosthetic support and present case studies of patients' experiences with the evolving Hanger pathways.

11:00–11:45 EXHIBITOR WORKSHOP

TASKA Prosthetics

TASKA Advantage – Faster Setups, Smarter Hands, Better Outcomes

Speaker: Claire Mai, James Williams

Discover TASKA's latest clinician-driven innovations designed to simplify setup, streamline workflows, and elevate patient outcomes. In this workshop you will learn: How to make the most out of the MyTASKA app with Remote Connection and AI-guided configuration for more intuitive fittings through improved out-of-box experiences and confidently guide your patient through trials with the new Clinician Demo Mode feature. How the new TASKA PowerCore system delivers superior performance. How to support and elevate your patients skills and use of their prosthesis with stronger, more responsive CX grips. How to gain support through the updated TASKA Learning Academy to get a better understanding of advanced settings. This is your opportunity to elevate patient outcomes and deliver consistently better results, every patient, every fit.

11:00–11:45 EXHIBITOR WORKSHOP

Bauerfeind AG

Die unterschätzte Zielgruppe – Schwangere als Cross-Selling-Champion

Speaker: Global Academy, Bauerfeind AG

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11:00 – 11:45 EXHIBITOR WORKSHOP

Ottobock SE & Co. KGaA

Nexgear Family

Speaker: Volker Schmidt

Get a practical introduction to the Nexgear product family in a focused live demonstration. The workshop highlights the knee and ankle joints for AFO and KAFO solutions and their flexible adjustment options. Gain an overview of different joint variants, locking mechanisms and available accessories. This workshop offers a quick and accessible entry point into the Nexgear system.

11:00 – 11:45 EXHIBITOR WORKSHOP

Create it REAL

Master digital craftsmanship with 3D-printed orthopedic products

Speaker: Jeremie Gay

The new generation of custom orthopedic products embraces a digital-first and 3D-printed approach. This transition may pose a hurdle for orthopedic professionals. In this workshop, Create it REAL has teamed up with experts in digital tools and production to showcase how to digitalize the workflow for the production of custom products. Also, we present a real customer case that has implemented a full digital workflow. Learn the ins and outs of digitizing workflows to create personalized 3D-printed orthopedic products. We will use tailored seating designs as an example to showcase scanning, CAD mastery, build prep (slicing), and insights into 3D printing (FDM). This workshop targets orthopedic professionals curious about reducing labor and carbon footprint and stepping into sustainable additive manufacturing – it may be simpler than you imagine.

12:00 – 12:45 EXHIBITOR WORKSHOP

NeaTec GmbH

**Leichter, Flexibler, Smarter –
Materialien der nächsten Generation in der
Orthopädietechniken**

Speaker: Felix Bill, Thomas Eriksson

12:00 – 12:45 EXHIBITOR WORKSHOP

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**Warum sind Resin- und Pulverdruck der neue
Standard auch in kleineren OT-Werkstätten?**

Speaker: Dennis Opielka, Dominik Heinz

Was früher großen Zentren vorbehalten war, ist heute auch in kleinen OT-Werkstätten Realität: hochpräzise, belastbare und individuell designte Hilfsmittel – digital gefertigt, reproduzierbar und wirtschaftlich.

12:00 – 12:45 EXHIBITOR WORKSHOP

COYOTE

**Hands-On Workshop: Advancing Prosthetic
Designs with Suspension Solutions**

Speaker: Cassandra Delgado

This in-person workshop will provide a comprehensive understanding of prosthetic suspension systems and advancements, focusing on SmartPuck Elevated vacuum systems and suspension alternatives. Attendees will engage in lecture-based learning, hands-on fabrication, patient case studies, and real-world troubleshooting.

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12:00 – 12:45 EXHIBITOR WORKSHOP  

VIALUX Messtechnik + Bildverarbeitung GmbH

BodyLux® Präzision auf Knopfdruck: Versorgung neu gedacht.

Speaker: Dr. Marko Schatz

BodyLux® hilft Arbeitsabläufe in Sanitätshäusern intuitiv zu digitalisieren, effizienter und so kostengünstiger zu gestalten. Die 3D Scaneinheit ist eine optimierte Lösung zur Versorgung von Kunden mit Kompressionsprodukten, Prothesen und Orthesen. Dabei verfügt es als erstes System am Markt über eine zertifizierte Messfunktion und genügt den Anforderungen der geltenden Medizinprodukterichtlinie. *Ein System – viele Möglichkeiten.*

12:00 – 12:45 EXHIBITOR WORKSHOP  

Aether Biomedical SP z.o.o.

Zeus Family: Reliable power, faster control & connected care

Speaker: Dhruv Agrawal

Join Aether Biomedical for a workshop on the Zeus line – including Zeus S and Zeus M, with multiple wrist options - designed for real-world use and broader patient choice. We'll cover new and upcoming products and fitting considerations across sizes and configurations, then show how the Aether Digital Platform integrates seamlessly with our prostheses. Attendees will get hands-on time with tuning workflows, signal-guided setup, and clinic-ready checklists that reduce appointment time and improve outcomes. We'll also preview what's next for Aether Biomedical – advancements aimed at simplifying clinic operations while expanding what users can do every day.

12:00 – 12:45 EXHIBITOR WORKSHOP  

Bauerfeind AG

Future Learning: Wie Augmented Reality (AR) & Online-Training die Weiterbildung im Gesundheitsmarkt neu definieren

Speaker: Global Academy, Bauerfeind AG

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Ottobock SE & Co. KGaA

Biomechanik trifft Virtual Reality: Der statische Prothesenaufbau neu gedacht

Speaker: Christian Reitingier

Anhand praxisnaher Beispiele werden biomechanische Grundlagen des statischen Prothesenaufbaus erläutert. Mit der innovativen Lösung Lazar Posture erleben die Teilnehmenden, wie Virtual Reality die Visualisierung und Optimierung des Prothesenaufbaus unterstützt.

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TASKA Prosthetics

TASKA-Vorteil – Schnellere Einrichtung, intelligenterer Handhabung, bessere Ergebnisse

Speaker: Stefan Reinelt, Fabian Goller

Entdecke die neuesten, mit Orthopädietechnikern entwickelten Innovationen von TASKA für eine einfache Einrichtung, optimierte Arbeitsabläufe und verbesserte Behandlungsergebnisse für Patienten. In diesem Workshop lernst du: Wie du die MyTASKA-App mit Remote-Verbindung und KI-gesteuerter Konfiguration optimal nutzen kannst, um durch verbesserte Out-of-the-Box-Erfahrungen intuitivere Anpassungen vorzunehmen und deine Patienten mit der neuen Funktion „Demo Mode für Techniker“



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Event Announcement

Expert Lecture – 21 May 2026
12:00, Room M1 – Level 0, Messehaus

The Extended Body

Integrating psychological and
technological approaches
in the rehabilitation of amputees

Featuring Univ.-Prof. Dr. sc. hum. Robin
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sicher durch Testphasen zu begleiten. Wie das neue TASKA PowerCore-System überragende Leistung liefert. Wie du die Fähigkeiten deiner Patienten und die Nutzung ihrer Prothese mit stärkeren, reaktionsschnelleren CX-Griffen unterstützen und verbessern kannst. Wie du durch die aktualisierte TASKA Learning Academy Unterstützung bekommen kannst, um ein besseres Verständnis für erweiterte Einstellungen zu erlangen. Dies ist deine Chance, die Behandlungsergebnisse deiner Patienten zu verbessern und durchweg bessere Ergebnisse zu erzielen – bei jedem Patienten und jeder Anpassung.

12:15–13:30 SYMPOSIUM

In collaboration with SOSORT

Hotspots in Scoliosis Therapy – Focusing on Changes and the Ongoing Daily Demands of Everyday Treatment and Care

Chair: Dr. med. Esther Dingeldey, Andreas Würsching

Scoliosis therapy requires all parties to work together: success can only be achieved as a team. As an active partner in the therapeutic process, you will come to recognise that your responsible contribution, taking into account your own competence and its limits, is essential for achieving positive outcomes.

12:15–13:30 FREE PAPERS

Microprocessor-Controlled Knee Ankle Foot Orthoses

Chair: Dipl.-Ing. Russ Lundstrom, Prof. Dr. Bernhard Greitemann

Microprocessor-controlled knee-ankle-foot orthoses (MP-SSCO) can improve mobility, safety and quality of life for patients with neurological or neuromuscular conditions. International studies and registry data show significant progress in fall reduction, gait function and goal achievement. You will learn which

parameters are crucial for successful indication and how data-based evaluation can help you use microprocessor-controlled orthoses purposefully and optimise your treatment outcomes.

12:15–13:30 FREE PAPERS

New Opportunities with 3D Printing

Chair: Michael Schäfer, Tino Jacobi

The opportunities for additively manufactured medical aids are steadily increasing. You will learn about new methods, materials and solutions for prosthetic components, orthoses and helmets, and discover how to transfer the knowledge gained to your own treatment cases.

12:15–13:30 FREE PAPERS

Impulses for Tomorrow – Diverse Ideas from Prosthetics and Orthotics

Chair: Dr. med. Marit Herbolzheimer, Ralf-Thomas Münch

New voices at the congress provide valuable impulses for the further development of prosthetics and orthotics. You will learn about treatment with a myoelectric orthosis, experiences with functional electrical stimulation in multiple sclerosis, the effects of ankle-knee orthoses in gait rehabilitation, and the value of communication with the patient throughout the course of treatment. Perhaps next time you will also want to share your own insights?

13:00–13:45 EXHIBITOR WORKSHOP



BrainRobotics

Kneuro Microprocessor Knee

Speaker: Breanne Logan

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Orthopädie für Freunde

Neue Wege im OS-Prothesenbau von der Maßnahme bis zur Fertigung

Speaker: Michael Klopff

13:00 – 13:45 EXHIBITOR WORKSHOP

TRICONmed GmbH

Neurologische Kompression mit SDO-Potential erschließen

Speaker: Dr. Burkhard Reis

13:00 – 13:45 EXHIBITOR WORKSHOP

Optica Abrechnungszentrum Dr. Güldener GmbH

Digitalisierung im Betrieb: Wie kann ich mit Software meinen erfolgreichen Weg in die Telematik Infrastruktur gestalten?

Speaker: Astrid Biedermann

13:00 – 13:45 EXHIBITOR WORKSHOP

Rezolve Medical

Probelaufen mit dem Rise Fußheberorthese / Trial walking with the Rise AFO

Speaker: Lennart Zielstra, Pim Brouwer

Orthopädietechniker oder Rehabilitationsarzt? Lernen Sie in einem praktischen Workshop, wie Sie die Wirksamkeit der Rise Fußheberorthese in einer klinischen Umgebung für Patienten mit Dorsalflexionsschwäche bewerten können. / Orthotist or rehabilitation doctor? Learn during a practical workshop how to evaluate the effectiveness of the Rise ankle-foot orthosis in a clinical setting for patients with dorsiflexor weakness.

13:00 – 13:45 EXHIBITOR WORKSHOP

DIETZ GROUP

ICF-Versorgungsmanagement in der Praxis: Von der Diagnose zur erfolgreichen Einreichung

Referent: Patrick Göllner

Praxisorientierter Workshop zur strukturierten ICF-Evaluation im Versorgungsprozess. Im Fokus stehen: vereinfachte Diagnosedarstellung, Aktivitäten des täglichen Lebens, Kostenträgerlogik und prüffeste Argumentation in GKV- und MD-Verfahren. Du nimmst eine einfache Methode mit, die dir hilft, Diagnosen übersichtlich darzustellen, Versorgungsziele schnell abzuleiten und Kostenträgern eine logische, prüffeste Begründung zu liefern.

13:00 – 13:45 EXHIBITOR WORKSHOP

Ottobock SE & Co. KGaA

iconiq Liner – redefining individualized care

Speaker: Vanessa Regin

Die Zukunft der individuellen Patientenversorgung beginnt jetzt. Erleben Sie, wie der 3D-gedruckte Silikonliner iconiq Passform und Komfort neu definiert – und wie Sie ihn direkt in Ihre Versorgung integrieren. Highlights des Workshops: Vom Scan zum Liner: Der Weg von der digitalen Erfassung bis zum fertigen Produkt. Praxisnahe Tipps: Auswahl, Anpassung und erfolgreiche Anwendung.

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DyeMansion GmbH & HP

Scan, Design, Print & Fit: Your key to digital O&P

Speaker: Emil Wörgötter, David Soriano

Digitalization is transforming orthotics and prosthetics, enabling more efficient workflows and highly individualized patient solutions. But what does a complete digital O&P process look like in practice? In this interactive workshop, digitalization experts for Orthopedic Technology will guide participants through the essential steps of a fully digital O&P workflow – from scanning and design to 3D printing, post-processing, and final fitting. Using real-world examples, the attendees will experience key success factors, common challenges, and important considerations when implementing digital technologies into existing O&P operations.

13:45–15:00 FREE PAPERS

Enhanced Mobility with Smart Knee Joints

Chair: Dr. Andreas Hahn, Dr. PhD Shane Wurdeman

Microprocessor-controlled knee joints can significantly influence the mobility, safety and participation of users with different activity levels. Current studies show how modern MPK systems perform in rehabilitation and daily life – from early initial treatment to return to work. You will take away how to select the appropriate technology based on clinical evidence and how to specifically enhance the functional benefit for your patients.

14:00–15:00 WORKSHOP

ICF in der Neuro-Rehabilitation: Vom Krankheitsbild zur klaren Zieldefinition

Chair: Harald Sieweke

Take-Home-Message: Der Workshop zeigt dir, wie du neurologische Diagnosen (z. B. Schlaganfall, MS oder Querschnitt) mithilfe der ICF systematisch aufarbeiten kannst. Du lernst, dass die ICF-Kategorie dir sofort zeigt, wo Handlungsbedarf besteht. Du lernst die strukturierte Erfassung von Funktionsstörungen (b- und s-Codes), Aktivitäten und Teilhabe präzise abzuleiten (d-Codes) und daraus konkrete Versorgungsziele zu formulieren, die logisch, nachvollziehbar und interdisziplinär verwendbar sind. Im Workshop erkennst du, wie wichtig die gemeinsame ICF-Sprache für das interdisziplinäre Team ist!

14:00–15:00 WORKSHOP

In collaboration with KomZet, Studiengemeinschaft OST e.V.

Insole Treatment in Transition

Chair: Tino Sprekelmeyer, Dr. Hartmut Stinus

Based on the “Fuß + Schuh” (foot + shoe) compendium and current developments within product group 08 (PG 08) and the upcoming e-prescription capability, existing treatment structures will be critically discussed. The focus lies on how orthopaedic footwear services are categorised and integrated into the everyday digital treatment. Discussion points include: How can quality and individualisation be ensured despite growing standardisation? What limitations do prefabricated insoles impose on patient-centred treatment – and how can they be overcome?



What comes next is more than new.
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In collaboration with rehaKIND e.V.

Best Practices in Pediatric Orthotics

Chair: Christian Kienzle, Christiana Hennemann

Whether you use a traditional plaster cast or a modern 3D scan is your choice, because you want the best outcome for the child receiving treatment. Traditional fabrication offers years of experience, proven materials, and the possibility of hands-on adjustment. Digital workflows open up new possibilities in design, weight and individualisation. Both approaches have their advantages and limitations—and it is their smart combination that enables optimal treatment. You will learn which method is best suited for each type of care, always keeping the child, their needs, and their development in focus.

15:00 – 15:45 EXHIBITOR WORKSHOP

ClickMedical LLC

Revolutionizing Prosthetic Comfort: A Live Demonstration of Click Medical's RevoFit® Adjustable System in Fabrication

Speaker: Mike Marten

Join this advanced, fast-paced 45-minute live demonstration designed for prosthetists and technicians who want to push the boundaries of traditional suspension systems. This hands-on session showcases how Click Medical's innovative RevoFit® Adjustable System can be seamlessly integrated into the fabrication process to enhance fit, function, and user comfort.

15:00 – 15:45 EXHIBITOR WORKSHOP

pedcad foot technology GmbH

When the Workshop Runs on Algorithms – and Patient Care Runs on You

Speaker: Dominik Walter

The shortage of skilled technicians and physicians leads to one core problem: too little time for patients. Yet our industry still ties itself to manual workshop tasks while patients wait for care. This presentation challenges the traditional self-image of the craftsman and shows, using the example of Orthopedie Walter, how automated insole production frees up significant time for consultation and analysis. It demonstrates how intelligent algorithms and automated 3D printing can take over workshop work, improve consistency, and strengthen the profession by allowing experts to focus on what only humans can provide: real patient care instead of time in the workshop.

15:00 – 15:45 EXHIBITOR WORKSHOP

albrecht GmbH

Knieorthesen in der Orthopädie und Traumatologie – Biomechanik und Anwendung der funktionellen albrecht Knieorthesen von Gonarthrose bis Kreuzbändriss

Speaker: Johannes Willeitner, Stefan Rudolph

Bei Knieverletzungen spielen Orthesen eine entscheidende Rolle in der Stabilisierung, Unterstützung und Rehabilitation. Die Hypex® Lite Knieschiene, Jack® PCL Schiene, CDS® Knieorthese und gonasan Sport OA Knieschiene bieten unterschiedliche Lösungsansätze, die sowohl in der akuten Phase als auch während der Rehabilitation Anwendung finden. Jede Orthese ist indikationsspezifisch auf unterschiedliche Anforderungen zugeschnitten, um optimale

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Beweglichkeit und Unterstützung zu gewährleisten. In diesem Workshop werden die Eigenschaften, Einsatzgebiete und Vorteile der jeweiligen Orthesen vorgestellt.

15:00 – 15:45 EXHIBITOR WORKSHOP 
College Park / ÖSSUR

ICON: MPK Innovation from College Park

Speaker: Jonathan Cook

This workshop will cover the features and clinical benefits of the Icon MPK from College Park. Programming with the Stride Studio app and alignment specifications will be reviewed. Recent updates and improvements will be discussed as well. Appropriate selection criteria will be reviewed.

15:00 – 15:45 EXHIBITOR WORKSHOP 
Martin Bionics Prosthetics and Research

Achieving Optimal Patient Outcomes Through Adjustable Prosthetic Socket Designs

Speaker: Rob Burcham

Prosthetic socket fit remains a critical determinant of patient satisfaction, mobility, and long-term health outcomes in individuals with limb loss. Traditional static socket designs often fail to accommodate changes in limb volume, leading to discomfort, reduced wear time, and increased risk of secondary complications. In contrast, adjustable prosthetic socket designs offer dynamic solutions that allow for real-time modification, improved fit, and enhanced user control. This presentation explores the clinical benefits of adjustable socket technologies, highlighting their impact on comfort, functional mobility, and overall patient-reported outcomes.

15:00 – 15:45 EXHIBITOR WORKSHOP 
Bauerfeind AG

Früh behandeln, Rückschritte verhindern; Arthrose verstehen – Ungenutzte Potentiale nutzen

Speaker: Maximilian Poetzschner, Dr. Bernd Stetter, Mattis Hohmann

15:00 – 15:45 EXHIBITOR WORKSHOP 
Ottobock SE & Co. KGaA

Die neueste Generation myoelektrischer Versorgung – die leistungsstarke michelangelo mit innovativer myosmart plus Steuerung.

Speaker: Edith Pirabe, Daniel Meise

Ottobock bietet einen Perspektivwechsel in der prothetischen Armversorgung. Erleben Sie die neue *michelangelo*, die präzises, schnelles und kraftvolles Greifen in besonders natürlicher Optik ermöglicht. Die Kombination mit der *myosmart* plus Prothesensteuerung und der *connectgrip* App ermöglicht eine smarte, zielführende Versorgungslösung für Anwender und Techniker. Das Zusammenspiel aus natürlicher Beweglichkeit, verschiedenen Griffoptionen und intelligent personalisierbarer Steuerung bietet außergewöhnliche Funktionalität, Sicherheit und Flexibilität und setzt neue Maßstäbe.

15:15 – 16:30 SYMPOSIUM

Thigh Prosthetics Socket Technology – State of the Art

Chair: Olaf Gawron, Jan Becker

Caught between modern liner systems and traditional total surface bearing sockets, it becomes clear: only a deep understanding of biomechanics and the residual limb conditions can ensure a long-term stable, com-

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portable, and mobility-enhancing prosthetic solution. While liners offer increased soft tissue protection and ease of use, a well-crafted total surface bearing socket often allows for more precise control and a greater sense of bodily awareness.

15:15–16:30 SYMPOSIUM

In collaboration with ISPO

Beyond Borders: ISPO's Integrated Approach to P&O Professional Recognition and Global Practice

Chair: P&O Sandra Ramdial

You will gain insight into international approaches to the recognition and advancement of professional competencies in prosthetics and orthotics. Learn how global collaboration, shared quality standards, and emerging frameworks can strengthen professional practice, drive innovation, and enhance models of treatment – across national boundaries and with the aim of sustainably improving the quality of rehabilitative treatments.

15:15–16:30 FREE PAPERS

Digitally Minded – New Perspectives in Rehabilitation

Chair: Dr. Stefan Simmel, Prof. Dr. Bernhard Greitemann

Rehabilitation can follow many paths. After an amputation, people must learn to live not only with the physical limitation but also with a new self-image. You will learn how peers with similar experiences, as well as new technologies, can support them in this process.

15:15–16:15 WORKSHOP



In collaboration with DGPL and Lymphologicum

Onkologische tumor-assoziierte Lymphödeme mit Beteiligung der unteren Extremitäten

Chair: Prof. Dr. Gerd Lulay

Welchen Anforderungen stehst du bei der Versorgung von Patienten mit onkologischen Lymphödem der Beine nach Tumoren des Unterbauches gegenüber? Dazu teilen ein Facharzt, ein Therapeut und ein Kompressions-Experte ihr Wissen zu medizinischen Diagnoseverfahren, physiotherapeutischen Maßnahmen und Kompressionsversorgung. Betroffene berichten über ihre Erfahrungen. Du lernst außerdem die Besonderheiten verschiedener Produkte kennen, um eine adäquate Auswahl für deine Kundinnen zu treffen.

16:45–18:00 OPENING CEREMONY

Opening Ceremony

OTWorld 2026 celebrates its 50th anniversary and opens the World Congress and International Trade Fair Show with a focus on what makes the difference: people. The opening ceremony showcases the collaboration of many disciplines that together enable quality of life and participation. Personal perspectives bring to life how all OTWorld participants are working together to forge new paths. The opening ceremony invites guests to celebrate 50 years of OTWorld as a shared success—and to look to the future.

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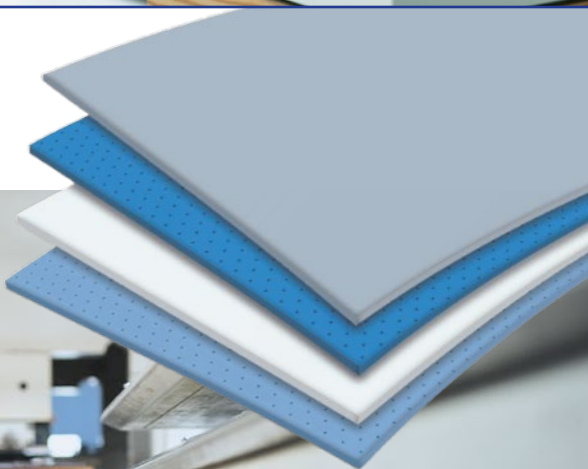


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09:00 – 18:00 POSTER PRESENTATION

Poster presentation – permanently available in the foyer of the CCO

In the ePoster exhibition, you will encounter a wide range of ideas from research and practice that invite you to discover new perspectives.

09:15 – 10:15 WORKSHOP

In collaboration with FOT

Neuro-Orthotics – FES vs. Orthosis

Chair: Mona Seifert-Maciejczyk, Georg Allmendinger

You will be given an overview of various functional electrical stimulation (FES) systems: what are their advantages and disadvantages, and which indications preclude treatment? You will also learn how FES can be used both as a standalone medical aid and in combination with an orthosis. In addition, a user will report on their practical experiences.

09:15 – 10:15 WORKSHOP

Foot/Knee Disarticulation Prosthetics – How to Assess the Fit of the Socket? What Are the Acceptance Criteria?

Chair: Olaf Gawron, Michael Schäfer

You will learn the design features and functional principles of foot and knee disarticulation prosthetic sockets, including practical procedures for fit assessment. You will understand what determines the overall function of a foot or knee disarticulation prosthesis. In addition, you will acquire how to describe and carry out the criteria for final acceptance.

09:15 – 10:15 WORKSHOP

In collaboration with FOT

Material Selection in Prosthetics and Orthotics – Decisions that Make a Difference!

Chair: Kathrin Jensen

The right choice of materials is crucial for creating functional, durable and economic devices. New materials offer a wide range of opportunities – from increased daily comfort to more sustainable production. You will learn how to select the most suitable materials for your treatment. After all: only what proves itself in everyday workshop practice brings real progress for both patients and technology.

09:15 – 10:15 WORKSHOP



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10:30 – 11:45 SYMPOSIUM

Digital Innovations in Healthcare

Chair: Martin Blaschka, Prof. Dr. Frank Braatz

Digital technologies are opening up entirely new horizons for our sector: tele-rehabilitation, apps, AI,

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AR/VR, and teleconsultations expand your opportunities to support patients in a more individualised, efficient, and often more motivating way. At the same time, practical challenges arise – whether in implementation, collaboration, or acceptance. From this symposium, you will take away the insight that digital solutions are not an end in themselves, but tools that you can use deliberately and critically. In this way, you actively help shape the future of modern care.

10:30 – 12:00 SYMPOSIUM

Orthotics for Paraplegia

Chair: Merkur Alimusaj, Dr. med. Doris Maier

The use of sensor-controlled or adaptive orthoses, up to high-tech applications, can enhance the quality of life for patients with spinal cord injury. The aim is to restore walking ability and improve stability. You will gain insight into the diverse possibilities of interdisciplinary treatment for the lower limb, as well as the high-tech solutions in rehabilitative medicine, along with the biomechanical principles that are essential to this.

10:30 – 12:00 SYMPOSIUM

Treatment and Care of Complex Lower-Leg Fractures

Chair: Martin Münch, Dr. Martin Glombitza

What options are available for treating a lower-leg fracture – and why is interdisciplinary cooperation so important? You will gain insight into the entire treatment and care pathway, from the operation and the prescription of a lower-leg off-loading orthosis, through its manufacture and delivery, to physiotherapy treatment and discharge.

10:30 – 11:45 FREE PAPERS

The Future of Arm Prosthetics – Treatment and Care in Transition

Chair: P&O Chris Baschuk, P&O Jochen Steil

Innovative approaches in design, training and technology are continuously transforming arm prosthetics. The contributions show how you can improve functional and psychosocial rehabilitation through individualised socket concepts, targeted prosthetic-use training and patient-centred adjustment. You will take away new impulses to optimise treatment outcomes and enable people with arm amputation to gain more independence and quality of life.

11:00 – 12:45 EXHIBITOR WORKSHOP



ClickMedical LLC

Understanding the Value and Clinical Application of RevoFit® Adjustability in Orthotic and Prosthetic Devices

Speaker: Mike Marten

This 90 minute panel discussion session equips O&P clinicians with a comprehensive understanding of the appropriateness, effectiveness, and clinical value of RevoFit® adjustable socket technology for individuals living with limb loss or limb difference. Participants will gain practical insights from experienced clinicians and fabrication experts. The course will showcase real patient experiences, clinical outcomes, and proven strategies for successfully integrating RevoFit® adjustability into everyday practice.

11:00 – 11:45 EXHIBITOR WORKSHOP



VINCENT Systems GmbH

Myoelektrische Exoskelett für die obere Extremität: LUNAneo

Speaker: Dr. Stefan Schulz

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11:00 – 11:45 EXHIBITOR WORKSHOP  

Blatchford Europe GmbH

Rewriting the Rules: How Innovation Will Reshape Prosthetics

Speaker: N.N.

For years, prosthetic users have been placed into categories and “mobility boxes” that limit how we imagine their potential. This workshop explores how (our) new technologies and fresh thinking, are breaking these old boxes open. Together, we’ll look at how innovation is redefining possibility and a new definition of what’s achievable.

11:00 – 11:45 EXHIBITOR WORKSHOP  

FIOR & GENTZ. „WIR⁴ GEMEINSAM“

Qualität, Sicherheit, Wirtschaftlichkeit: Optimierte Versorgungsplanung für Ihre Entscheidungsprozesse

Speaker: Martin Klose

Im Workshop präsentieren wir eine optimierte Versorgungsplanung, die durch strukturierte Prozesse höhere Versorgungssicherheit und wirtschaftliche Kostenplanung im Sinne des Patienten gewährleistet. Wir zeigen den bewährten Orthesen-Konfigurator von FIOR & GENTZ, der eine schnelle und nachvollziehbare Auswahl individueller Versorgungsoptionen zulässt. Ergänzend demonstrieren wir den Einsatz von Test-AFOs und Test-KAFOs, die eine präzise Funktionsprüfung und passgenaue Anpassung vor der finalen Versorgung ermöglichen.

11:00 – 11:45 EXHIBITOR WORKSHOP  

BionIT Labs

Experience the future of prosthetics: discover Adam’s Hand and the new BionIT Labs’ products (Part 1/2 – Theoretical Session)

Speaker: Giovanni Antonio Zappatore

11:00 – 11:45 EXHIBITOR WORKSHOP  

Bauerfeind AG

Genehmigung 2.0 – warum klassische Prozesse bei der Liposuktion nicht mehr ausreichen

Speaker: Susanne Kreusel, Katarina Gail

11:00 – 11:45 EXHIBITOR WORKSHOP  

Ottobock SE & Co. KGaA

The new michelangelo with myosmart plus control. The next generation of Ottobock’s performance driven myoelectric technology.

Speaker: Edith Pirabe, Daniel Meise

Discover a next-generation prosthetic solution that combines trusted, powerful performance with modern control and connectivity. At its core, the *michelangelo* – paired with modular wrists, the *myosmart plus* control, the *myosmart cuff*, and the *connectgrip* app – delivers an unmatched level of functionality and ease of use. This complete solution empowers users with customized, precise control through seamless, powerful grip options, while providing professionals with an elevated and efficient fitting experience. Featuring an innovative control system and an intuitive app-based interface, the solution redefines what’s possible – setting a new standard of confidence, convenience, and performance for both users and clinicians.

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12:00 – 12:45 EXHIBITOR WORKSHOP  

MOWA Healthcare AG

MOWA – das nächste Level der individuellen Orthesenversorgung

Speaker: Manuel Westervelt

Handwerkliche Qualität und Expertise bleiben unverzichtbar - doch 2026 braucht es mehr: Das MOWA-System verbindet wissenschaftliche Gangforschung, standardisierte, digitale Patientenanalysen und KI-gestützte Simulation zu einem vollvernetzten Workflow in der MOWA App. Das Ergebnis: Modulare Carbon-Massorthesen für die untere Extremität vom Kleinkind bis zum Erwachsenen, die von Anfang an zu den individuellen Versorgungszielen passen. Erleben Sie, wie moderne Technologien Ihr Handwerk nicht ersetzen, sondern auf das nächste Level heben: mehr Effizienz, Präzision und Wettbewerbsfähigkeit. Wer früh digital denkt, gestaltet die Zukunft - wer wartet, verliert. Die Frage ist also nicht, ob Sie digitalisieren, sondern wie schnell. Gestalten Sie heute die Zukunft Ihrer Branche – mit MOWA!

12:00 – 12:45 EXHIBITOR WORKSHOP  

Blatchford Europe GmbH

The Digital Platform: Powering the Next Generation of P&O

Speaker: N.N.

Discover how a fully connected digital ecosystem is transforming prosthetics and orthotics. This workshop explores how data, intelligent tools, and seamless workflows empower clinicians, elevate patient outcomes, and shape a smarter, more efficient future for P&O.

12:00 – 12:45 EXHIBITOR WORKSHOP  

ÖSSUR Orthetik. „WIR⁴ GEMEINSAM“

Evidenzbasierte Orthesenversorgung bei Gonarthrose: Entlastung prüfen und Nutzen nachvollziehbar machen.

Speaker: Thomas Habermann

Im Workshop werden die Evidenz und leitlinienbasierte Versorgung der Gonarthrose sowie standardisierte Verfahren zur Wirkungsprüfung von Entlastungsorthesen vorgestellt. Ergänzt wird dies durch die aktuelle internationale Studienlage zur klinischen Wirksamkeit, Schmerzreduktion und Patientenakzeptanz sowie durch praxisbewährte Dokumentation und Vorgehensweisen für eine qualitätsgesicherte Versorgung.

12:00 – 12:45 EXHIBITOR WORKSHOP  

ÖSSUR Europe

Navii and Pro-Flex Terra; effortless comfort, safety and freedom for the TF amputee.

Speaker: Luuk Bazelmans

12:00 – 12:45 EXHIBITOR WORKSHOP  

Saljol GmbH

Medizinische Nebenwirkungen der Rollator-Nutzung erkennen und vermeiden – Bewegungskompetenz als Schlüssel zur sicheren Mobilität

Speaker: Katharina Bergschneider, Dr. Lorraine

Viele Ärztinnen und Ärzte verschreiben Rollatoren zurückhaltend – oft aus Sorge vor Fehlhaltungen, muskulären Dysbalancen oder erhöhter Sturzgefahr. Diese Nebenwirkungen sind real, lassen sich jedoch durch gezieltes Training und ergonomisch abgestimmte Hilfsmittel deutlich reduzieren. Dieser Vortrag beleuchtet aktuelle Erkenntnisse zu den häu-

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figsten medizinischen Risiken der Rollatornutzung und stellt ein neu entwickeltes Bewegungskonzept vor, das die positiven Effekte der Rollatornutzung unterstützt: Rollastic – das erste Gymnastikprogramm, das gezielt Nebenwirkungen der Rollatornutzung vorbeugt. Ein interdisziplinärer Impuls für Ärzte, Therapeuten und Fachhändler zur Förderung von sicherer, aktiver und selbstbestimmter Mobilität im Alter.

12:00–12:45 EXHIBITOR WORKSHOP



Bauerfeind AG

Osteoarthritis Breakthrough: Early Action Wins - Unlock the Potential

Speaker: Maximilian Poetzschner, Dr. Bernd Stetter,
Mattis Hohmann

12:00–12:45 EXHIBITOR WORKSHOP



Ottobock SE & Co. KGaA

C-Brace Interim: New solution in early rehab

Speaker: Volker Schmidt

An interim fitting with the C-Brace allows for a flexible, adaptable treatment concept that supports patients in all phases of recovery – practical and future-oriented. Find out which patients are suitable for, how treatment is provided, and which protocol is completed in 6 months.

12:15–13:30 SYMPOSIUM

In collaboration with AAOP

Adolescent Idiopathic Scoliosis

Chair: Merkur Alimusaj

You will learn about new developments in the interdisciplinary treatment of patients with adolescent idiopathic scoliosis (AIS), and gain insights into differ-

ent approaches from Germany and the USA. You will discover which current treatment options are showing promising results and how collaboration between doctors and prosthetists and orthotists can be improved to optimise patient treatment.

12:15–13:30 SYMPOSIUM

In collaboration with WvD, DGIHV

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Orthopaedic Treatment and Care in Transition – Shaping the Future, but How?

Chair: Kirsten Abel

You will receive a concise future-focused boost for your daily work: Which trends will shape prosthetics and orthotics and the healthcare trades through 2030 and beyond? How do medical supply stores view their own future? And which competencies do you need to actively shape this transformation? You will learn what current studies, research, and practical perspectives reveal about the treatment and care of tomorrow – and take away fresh ideas for strategy, communication, and your professional development.

12:15–13:30 FREE PAPERS

Advances in Orthotic Treatment and Care

Chair: Ingo Pfefferkorn, Martin Münch

Modern technologies and medical aids enable even people with severe physical disabilities to achieve greater mobility, as well as improved quality of life and participation. Based on studies and treatment examples, you will learn how new materials and manufacturing methods can make complex trunk orthoses and seating orthoses, for example, more precise, lighter and more functional.

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13:00 – 13:45 EXHIBITOR WORKSHOP 
OPED GmbH

Verbesserung der Prothesen- und Orthesenversorgung durch KI-basierte Ganganalyse

Speaker: Alexa Hasenbach

In diesem Vortrag wird gezeigt, wie moderne, KI-gestützte Ganganalyse die Dokumentation und den qualitätsgesicherten Nachweis der durchgeführten Prothesen- und Orthesenversorgung wesentlich verbessert. Anhand aktueller Technologien und klinischer Beispiele wird erläutert, wie objektive Bewegungsdaten die Versorgung transparent machen, den Therapieverlauf messbar darstellen und Anpassungen nachvollziehbar begründen. Der Schwerpunkt liegt auf den praktischen Einsatzmöglichkeiten zur strukturierten Dokumentation, der Unterstützung bei der Entscheidungsfindung sowie dem klaren Mehrwert für Kostenträger, orthopädische Fachkräfte und therapeutische Einrichtungen.

13:00 – 13:45 EXHIBITOR WORKSHOP 
Rebocon Bionics B.V.

Choose the right motorized knee, Intuy Knee, NEO, RISE or PRO

Speaker: Shiqian Wang

Since the start of 2025, we have significantly expanded our portfolio with the official introduction of the Intuy Knee NEO, RISE, and PRO. These new additions, alongside the original Intuy Knee, offer users a much wider range of options. This workshop is designed to highlight the differences between these models and provide practitioners with clear guidance on selecting the optimal prosthetic knee based on individual user needs. Mr. Wang, a seasoned researcher and entrepreneur, embarked on the development of exoskeletons and motorized prostheses in 2010.

He founded Rebocoon Bionics in 2016. Under his leadership, a talented team successfully brought the Intuy Knee prosthetic system to market. This flagship product has since secured a position of technological leadership. Mr. Wang remains committed to continuous innovation, currently driving efforts to make the Intuy Knee even lighter and more intuitive, thereby extending the product's market dominance and user benefit.

13:00 – 13:45 EXHIBITOR WORKSHOP 
Luderi Technologies

AI-Driven Reimbursements: A Guide to Faster Payments and Fewer Denials

Speaker: Ludvig Fraenkel

13:00 – 13:45 AUSTELLERWORKSHOP 
HKK Bionics GmbH

Funktionale Myo-Orthesen für gelähmte Hände: Versorgungsweg und Erfahrungsberichte

Speaker: Dominik Hepp

13:00 – 13:45 EXHIBITOR WORKSHOP 
Aether Biomedical SP z.o.o.

Zeus Family: Reliable power, faster control & connected care

Speaker: Dhruv Agrawal

Join Aether Biomedical for a workshop on the Zeus line – including Zeus S and Zeus M, with multiple wrist options – designed for real-world use and broader patient choice. We'll cover new and upcoming products and fitting considerations across sizes and configurations, then show how the Aether Digital Platform integrates seamlessly with our prostheses. Attendees will get hands-on time with tuning

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workflows, signal-guided setup, and clinic-ready checklists that reduce appointment time and improve outcomes. We'll also preview what's next for Aether Biomedical – advancements aimed at simplifying clinic operations while expanding what users can do every day.

13:00–13:45 EXHIBITOR WORKSHOP

Ofa Bamberg GmbH

Umgang mit schwieriger Kundschaft – was kann helfen?

Speaker: Michaela Lundius

Der Umgang mit schwierigen Situationen im medizinischen Fachhandel erfordert nicht nur Fachwissen, sondern auch eine einfühlsame und effektive Kommunikation. In diesen besonderen Zeiten müssen Sie sich mit besonderen Herausforderungen auseinandersetzen. Der Vortrag gibt praktische Empfehlungen im Umgang mit diesen Anforderungen.

13:00–13:45 EXHIBITOR WORKSHOP

Bauerfeind AG

Growing belly, growing business - compression as a game changer

Speaker: Nadine Fürup, Marius Wittlich

13:00–13:45 EXHIBITOR WORKSHOP

Ottobock SE & Co. KGaA

SSCO by Ottobock: Die Zukunft intelligenter Orthesenversorgung.

Speaker: Volker Schmidt

Erleben Sie die neueste Generation smarter Orthesenkniegelenke und aktuellste Optionen in der individuellen Patientenversorgung.

14:00–15:00 WORKSHOP

In collaboration with FOT

Individually Customised Control Systems for Electric Wheelchairs

Chair: Raphael Giese

Specialised control systems open up new possibilities for people with severely limited mobility to achieve self-determined movement with an electric wheelchair. You will learn how nearly any electric wheelchair can be customised to individual needs through control solutions tailored to a person's abilities – turning technology into a key enabler of participation and independence.

14:00–15:00 WORKSHOP

In collaboration with FOT

Spine 360° – Conservative Scoliosis Treatment in Practice

Chair: Ingo Pfefferkorn, Silke Auler

Effective spinal treatment depends on individual adaptation, the targeted use of modern materials and a sound understanding of biomechanical relationships. You will learn about the importance of the interaction between technology, function and patient needs, so that your treatment corrects, relieves, stabilises and mobilises in the long term.

14:00–15:00 WORKSHOP

P & O Consultations: Perspectives of Physicians, Technicians and Therapists

Chair: Ralf-Thomas Münch, Claudia Sonnleitner

What are the benefits of continuous interdisciplinary consultations for the treatment of amputee or orthotic patients? Participants will learn how a multiprofessional approach is structured, how workflows can

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be made more efficient through precise coordination between the individual disciplines, how appointment scheduling can be streamlined, and how gait training and the resulting adjustments to treatment can be organized seamlessly – ensuring that both the team and the patients benefit equally.

14:00 – 15:00 POSTER PRESENTATIONS

Poster Presentations with Short Lectures – Prosthetics, Amputation Surgery, Education, Biomechanics and Foot and Shoe / Orthopaedic Footwear Technology

Chairs: Prof. Dr. Frank Braatz, Tino Sprekelmeyer

In the ePoster exhibition, you will discover a wide range of ideas from research and practice that invite you to gain new perspectives. You can explore and delve deeper into the content at your own pace – the digital exhibition is permanently accessible throughout the entire event. Short lectures allow you to understand the background, thought processes and practical consequences directly. You will take away a variety of approaches that will inspire you to look at challenges in a new light and enrich your everyday work.

14:00 – 15:00 WORKSHOP

In collaboration with DGPL and Lymphologicum

Lipödem vs. Adipositas – eine diagnostische Herausforderung

Chair: Prof. Dr. Gerd Lulay

Welchen Anforderungen stehst du bei der Versorgung von Patienten mit Lymphödem und Adipositas gegenüber? Dazu teilen ein Facharzt, ein Therapeut und ein Kompressions-Experte ihr Wissen zu medizinischen Diagnoseverfahren, physiotherapeutischen Maßnahmen und Kompressionsversorgung. Betroffene berichten über ihre Erfahrungen. Du lernst außerdem

die Besonderheiten von Produkten kennen und herstellernabhängig eine Auswahl zu treffen.

15:00 – 15:45 EXHIBITOR WORKSHOP

Integrum AB

Osseointegration in Upper Extremities – Clinical Experience and Outcomes with the OPRA® Implant System

Speaker: Dr. Rickard Brånemark

This workshop focuses on Upper Extremities and highlights the multidisciplinary approach essential for successful osseointegration, bringing together surgical, prosthetic, rehabilitation, and patient perspectives. Dr. Rickard Brånemark, founder of Integrum and a leading expert in the field, will moderate the session and bridge clinical and technical insights. Participants will hear from professionals with extensive experience in OPRA™ Implant System procedures, prosthetic pathways, and long-term patient care. The session concludes with a first-hand patient story, illustrating how the OPRA™ Implant System can transform mobility, independence, and daily life. We look forward to welcoming you to this clinically oriented session on modern osseointegration.

15:00 – 15:45 EXHIBITOR WORKSHOP

HMM Deutschland GmbH

Papierstapel zum digitalen Flow: Die Erfolgsreise eines Sanitätshauses mit Healix, LEOS.HealthCloud und Hilfsmittelheld

Speaker: N.N.

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15:00 – 15:45 EXHIBITOR WORKSHOP



TRICONmed GmbH

Neurologische Kompression mit SDO-Potential erschließen

Speaker: Dr. Burkhard Reis

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Össur Deutschland GmbH

Prothetik der oberen Extremitäten – Standardisierte Dokumentation von Funktions- vorteilen kurz und mittelfristige Ergebnisse

Speaker: Anja Dworack-Kozian, Nils Ingwald

Dokumentation und Beurteilung von Funktionsvorteilen prothetischer Lösungen an der oberen Extremität ist vor allem im Hinblick auf die Kosten essentiell. In dem Workshop stellen wir Ihnen einen von uns entwickelten standardisierten Test vor. Dieser Test wurde nach Rücksprache mit Leistungserbringern, Therapeuten und Ärzten entwickelt. Ziel des Workshop ist es Ihnen den Funktionstest an sich vorzustellen, aber auch durch Präsentation von mittelfristigen Ergebnissen die klinische Relevanz und Prädiktion zu verdeutlichen.

15:00 – 15:45 EXHIBITOR WORKSHOP



Lohmann & Rauscher GmbH & Co. KG

Sektorenübergreifende Versorgung: medizinische adaptive Kompressionssysteme als Schlüssel

Speaker: N.N.

15:00 – 15:45 EXHIBITOR WORKSHOP



Bauerfeind AG

Global best practice in lymphology – reduce complaints, improve outcomes

Speaker: Susanne Kreusel, Katarina Gail

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Ottobock SE & Co. KGaA

Nexgear Family

Speaker: Volker Schmidt

Lernen Sie die Nexgear Produktfamilie in einer praxisnahen Demonstration kennen. Im Fokus stehen Knie- und Sprunggelenke für AFO- und KAFO-Versorgungen sowie ihre vielseitigen Einstellmöglichkeiten. Erhalten Sie einen Überblick über die unterschiedlichen Gelenke, Verriegelungsoptionen und Zubehör. Nutzen Sie den Workshop als kompakten Einstieg in das Nexgear System.

15:15 – 16:30 PANEL DISCUSSION

Interdisciplinary Treatment and Care – Rethinking Treatment and Care in a Net- worked Way

The talk highlights how differently integrative treatment and care can be perceived – and how valuable it is to exchange perspectives. When hospitals, reimbursement companies, prosthetics and orthotics, rehabilitation medicine and physiotherapy work hand in hand, the patient benefits the most. Learn that true quality in treatment and care arises where interfaces become connections. Only through dialogue can the future of integrative treatment and care be shaped.

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15:15 – 16:30 SYMPOSIUM

Strong Together for Children: Insights from Paediatric Prosthetics and Orthotics

Chair: Dr. Ulrich Hafkemeyer, Ludger Lambrecht

Those who rise to the challenge of providing competent and empathetic treatment to children within an interdisciplinary team are not only taking on medical responsibility, but also actively shaping lives. Through practical examples of treatment, you will discover how much can be achieved with specialist knowledge, creativity, and, most importantly, close collaboration between prosthetists and orthotists, medical staff, therapists, and families, all to ensure that children with impairments are given the best possible start towards a self-determined life.

15:15 – 16:30 FREE PAPERS

Innovations in Material for Functional Orthotics

Chair: P&O Beatrice Janka, P&O Rosa Fojut

New orthoses, partly in combination with 3D printing, expand your treatment options for various lower-limb conditions such as foot drop or calf muscle weakness, as well as Charcot-Marie-Tooth disease. You will take away how to purposefully apply innovative technologies to sustainably enhance the function and quality of life of your patients.

15:15 – 16:30 FREE PAPERS

Sensation and Pain Following Amputation

Chair: Dr. Stefan Middeldorf, Dr. med. Johannes Schröter

You will learn how targeted nerve reconstruction, vibrotactile feedback or sensors can relieve phantom pain or restore lost functions. In addition, you will learn how to integrate the knowledge gained about pain and rehabilitation into your treatment practice.

15:15 – 16:15 WORKSHOP



Lymphödem zwischen manueller Lymphdrainage und dem Einsatz von MAKs

In diesem Workshop erhältst Du einen aktuellen Überblick über medizinische Therapiemöglichkeiten aus der klinischen Sicht eines Mediziners. Ergänzend bekommst Du einen praxisnahen Einblick in die Manuelle Lymphdrainage sowie in die Anwendung medizinisch adaptiver Kompressionssysteme (MAKs), anschaulich demonstriert durch einen Therapeuten direkt am Patienten. Nutze die Gelegenheit für einen intensiven fachlichen Austausch und bring Deine individuellen Fragen aktiv in die Diskussion ein.

16:00 – 16:45 MARKET ENTRY USA



In collaboration with AOPA

Break Into the U.S. Market: Key Insights for Entry – A Leipzig Preview of Las Vegas

Speaker: Traci Dralle, Kimberly Hanson, Teri Kuffel

This workshop offers practical guidance on bringing products into the U.S. market and previewing a more in-depth session at AOPA's 2026 National Assembly in Las Vegas.

16:45 – 18:00 SYMPOSIUM

In collaboration with FOT

Shaping the Future of Orthopaedic Technology – New Materials, Sustainable Methods, Excellent Application

Chair: Prof. Dr.-Ing. Mark Vehse, Ingo Pfefferkorn

You will be introduced to innovative materials for sustainable production processes that are opening up new pathways in additive manufacturing for

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prosthetics and orthotics, orthopaedic footwear technology and rehabilitation technology. You will learn how they can be used to create lighter, longer-lasting and more resource-efficient devices – without compromising on functionality or patient comfort.

16:45–18:00 FREE PAPERS

Socket or Osseointegration – What Is the Best Approach?

Chair: Prof. Dr. Frank Braatz, Harmen van der Linde

How can research and practice be combined to make prosthetic solutions individualised, efficient and future-oriented? You will gain an overview of how modern socket systems and osseointegrated solutions perform in practice – technically, functionally and with a patient-centred approach. In addition, you will learn which biomechanical and material-based approaches make a difference in treatment and how to select the right solution for different amputation levels and life situations.

16:45–18:00 FREE PAPERS

Movement and Sport in Focus

Chair: Martin Münch, Dr. med. Stefan Simmel

You observe how modern sports prostheses open up a wide range of opportunities for movement and inclusion – from recreational running to Paralympic sprinting. The studies presented demonstrate how biomechanical analysis, precise adjustments and motivating training work together. You gain insight into how technology and practical application are combined to ensure that patients can participate safely and effectively in sporting activities.

16:45–18:00 SYMPOSIUM

In collaboration with ISPO

LEAD and COMPASS: Pilot Project for an International Lower Limb Registry

Chair: Dr. Friedbert Kohler

Reliable data are essential for effective orthopaedic treatment and care and rehabilitation, yet they are often lacking in routine practice. In this session, you will learn how an international registry and outcome database can support informed decisions in service provision, development, and planning. Using a pilot project in patients with lower limb absence, the presentation shows how meaningful data in everyday clinical settings with LEAD and COMPASS can be collected. You will gain insight into common challenges, practical solutions and a realistic implementation timeline, as well as how the database framework can be adapted to other conditions and orthopaedic treatment and care.



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09:00 – 18:00 POSTER PRESENTATION

Poster presentation – permanently available in the foyer of the CCO

In the ePoster exhibition, you will encounter a wide range of ideas from research and practice that invite you to discover new perspectives.

09:15 – 09:30 OPENING CEREMONY



Opening Ceremony Youth.Academy TO

Moderation: Kirsten Abel

09:15 – 10:15 WORKSHOP



In collaboration with AG Diabetischer Fuß in DDG, KomZet

The Diabetic Foot in Transition – Treatment and Care, Support, Decision-Making

Chair: Dr. Michael Eckhard, Prof. Dr. Bernhard Greitemann

Cross-disciplinary knowledge, clear awareness of risks, and the ability to combine technology with clinical judgement are essential for effective treatment of diabetic foot syndrome. You will gain insights into the wide range of available treatment options, including wound management and early detection of complications. Pressure measurement is also covered as a tool for assessment, documentation and evaluation of treatment goals. You will acquire practical knowledge, discover available systems, and learn how to integrate measurement data meaningfully into patient treatment.

09:15 – 10:15 WORKSHOP



In collaboration with IGOST

Differential Diagnosis: Pain

Chair: Merkur Alimusaj, Stefan Middeldorf

Pain is often the leading symptom when patients consult orthopaedic or trauma specialists. They always

start with an anamnesis, a review of the patient's medical history, specifically related to pain. Chronicity factors must be identified, as well as contextual factors from everyday life, family and work. Specific clinical pictures related to pain, after amputation, in the area of the spine or after surgery and/or accident must also be determined through medical history, clinical examination and typical symptomatology, true to the motto: You can only diagnose what you know.

09:15 – 10:15 WORKSHOP



In collaboration with DGPL and Lymphologicum

Lipödem vs. Adipositas – eine diagnostische Herausforderung

Chair: Prof. Dr. Gerd Lulay

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09:15 – 10:15 WORKSHOP



In collaboration with Stiftung Deutsche Schlaganfall-Hilfe

Enabling Participation – Practical Approaches to Neurological Conditions

Chair: Anna Engel

Participation in people with neurological conditions does not arise from isolated interventions, but from the interdisciplinary collaboration of different professional groups. Orthopaedic treatment and care plays a central yet often underestimated role in this process,

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not least due to methodological challenges. The workshop conveys the fundamentals and limitations of evidence-based orthopaedic treatment and care and, using practice-oriented examples, presents modern treatment concepts to promote mobility, autonomy and quality of life. In addition, the importance of the social environment – particularly for children after stroke – is highlighted, with a focus on early diagnosis, information, self-help initiatives and stroke support coordinators for children. Participants will gain concise, practice-relevant insights for their everyday professional work.

10:30 – 12:00 SYMPOSIUM

In collaboration with Initiative '93, VTO,

Amputation – Surgical Perspective

Chair: Prof. Dr. Bernhard Greitemann, Dr. med. Jennifer Ernst

Good prosthetic treatment and successful rehabilitation require skilled surgical management. You will learn about the necessary surgical prerequisites for different underlying causes and discover how prosthetists and orthotists use this knowledge to assess stump-related issues.

10:30 – 12:00 SYMPOSIUM

In collaboration with GOTS

Knee Osteoarthritis and Sports

Chair: Prof. Dr. Martin Engelhardt, Dr. Johannes Flechtenmacher

The treatment of knee osteoarthritis requires a multimodal and individually tailored therapy plan. You will receive information on how movement – appropriately dosed – becomes a form of therapy: exercise and sports therapy can relieve pain and improve function. This is complemented by the latest findings on the effectiveness of topical treatments, medications and injections, as well as physical and physiotherapeutic measures and targeted provision

of assistive devices. You will take home valuable insights for holistic patient care in both clinical and therapeutic practice.

10:30 – 12:00 SYMPOSIUM

In collaboration with EFAS, ISPO Deutschland, Studiengemeinschaft

Diabetic Foot Syndrome

Chair: Tino Sprekelmeyer, Thomas Stief

Interdisciplinary collaboration is absolutely essential for the stage-appropriate treatment of diabetic foot syndrome (DFS). You will learn about modern concepts in prevention, diagnosis, and therapy that will assist you in practice. This includes new technologies in wound care and orthopaedic footwear technology, as well as best-practice examples and successful treatment approaches from leading treatment centres.

10:30 – 12:00 SYMPOSIUM

In collaboration with VTO

**Vocational Training Worldwide –
Insights into International Training in
Orthopaedic Technology**

Chair: Prof. Dr. Frank Braatz

During the symposium, you will learn about the diversity of education in prosthetics and orthotics worldwide: from the ISPO-certified path in Ghana to the success story of the SSPO school in Thailand to the opportunities offered by the American Hanger network. Discover how training shapes quality and care – whether in the (German) dual system, in study programmes or on international paths. Use the insights gained from these lectures to re-evaluate the strengths of our German vocational training system and take inspiration for the future of your career.

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10:30 – 11:30 WORKSHOP



Spitzentalk – Frauen in Führungspositionen

Chair: Petra Menkel

Du stehst am Anfang deiner Karriere und fragst dich, was alles möglich ist? In unserem Spitzentalk sprechen Frauen aus Führungspositionen offen über ihren Weg im Gesundheitswesen, ihre Herausforderungen und Erfolge. Du bekommst ehrliche Einblicke, Inspiration und Mut für deine eigene Zukunft. Frauen sind in Spitzenpositionen stark, kompetent und erfolgreich – und auch du kannst deinen Platz finden. Fragen stellen ausdrücklich erwünscht!

11:00 – 12:45 EXHIBITOR WORKSHOP



TIGGES - Zours GmbH

Wirbelsäule – Die richtige Orthesenbauart für jede spezielle Indikation

Speaker: Dr. med. Robert Krämer

Ob postoperativ oder konservativ – Wirbelsäulenorthesen kommt bei zahlreichen Indikationen eine hohe Bedeutung zu. Doch welchen unterschiedlichen Nutzen erzielen die Orthesen bei den jeweiligen Indikationsbereichen? Und wodurch wird welche biomechanische Wirkung erzielt?

Solche und viele weitere Fragestellungen beantwortet Dr. Robert Krämer, Wirbelsäulenspezialist aus Barcelona, praxisnah und unter Berücksichtigung von Fallbeispielen. Die Teilnehmer erhalten wertvolle Tipps, wie man sich in der komplexen Indikations-Vielfalt zurechtfinden kann:

- Postoperativ von Bandscheibenoperationen über Spinalkanaldekompensationen bis hin zu Spondylodesen (Fusionen)
- Konservativ von stabilen/instabilen Frakturen über unterschiedliche Ausprägungsformen von Osteoporose bis hin zu degenerativen Veränderungen wie adulter Skoliose.

Ziel des Workshops sind vertiefte Kenntnisse zu Indikationen und Biomechanik im Hinblick auf konkrete Empfehlungen für die jeweils geeignete Bauart von Wirbelsäulenorthesen (7-Steller) bei bestimmten Indikationsbereichen.

11:00 – 11:45 EXHIBITOR WORKSHOP



VINCENT Systems GmbH

Innovative Steuerung myoelektrische Hand- und Partialhandsysteme

Speaker: Dr. Stefan Schulz

11:00 – 11:45 EXHIBITOR WORKSHOP



Becker Orthopedic

Optimization of Gait with the Method TA™ AFO and Other Custom Solutions

Speaker: Sean McKale

The Method TA™ Ankle Foot Orthosis (AFO) by Becker Orthopedic provides a versatile approach to managing gait impairments caused by neurologic conditions. Available in both pre-fabricated (custom fit) and now custom configurations, the Method TA offers clinicians flexibility in selecting the appropriate level of personalization based on patient presentation and clinical setting. Its modular, adjustable design supports evolving patient needs and allows targeted tuning of gait mechanics. This course will examine the clinical indications for each version of the Method TA, provide guidance on device adjustments, and highlight decision-making considerations when choosing between the Method TA and alternative custom orthotic designs. If optimizing gait is central to your orthotic care practice, the Method TA™ AFO offers valuable solutions across the continuum of care.

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Streifeneder Orthoproduction. „WIR⁴ GEMEINSAM“

Verlässlich, vielseitig, hochwertig & nachhaltig: Mit innovativen Materialien und erprobten Funktionspassteilen zur individuellen Versorgung

Speaker: Fabian Roth, Georg Dallüge

Im Workshop präsentieren wir Ihnen unsere Erfahrung & Kompetenz im Bereich der Materialien, welche zur Fertigstellung von Prothesen & Orthesen

erforderlich sind. Neben der Verträglichkeit & Bio-kompatibilität steht die beständige Qualität unserer Rohstoffe und auch die Nachhaltigkeit & Arbeitssicherheit für uns an oberster Stelle. Durch die Schaffung diverser Interimspakete und die Möglichkeit, Funktionspassteile ausgiebig unter Realbedingungen zu testen, tragen wir dazu bei, dem Anwender/-in die korrekte Auswahl so leicht wie möglich zu gestalten.



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BionIT Labs

**Experience the future of prosthetics:
discover Adam's Hand and the new BionIT
Labs' products (Part 2/2 - Practical Session)**

Speaker: Giovanni Antonio Zappatore

11:00–11:45 EXHIBITOR WORKSHOP  

Bauerfeind AG

**Vom Strumpf zum Konzept –
neue Erlösquellen für Ihr Sanitätshaus**

Speaker: Susanne Kreusel, Speaker: Katarina Gail

11:00–11:45 EXHIBITOR WORKSHOP  

Ottobock SE & Co. KGaA

**SSCO by Ottobock: The future of intelligent
orthotic treatment.**

Speaker: Volker Schmidt

Explore the latest generation of intelligent orthotic knee joints and current options for individual patient fittings.

12:00–13:45 EXHIBITOR WORKSHOP  

Lifelike Prosthetics

Der erweiterte Körper

Speaker: Univ.-Prof. Dr. sc. hum. Robin Bekrater-Bodmann

Integration psychologischer & technologischer Ansätze in der Rehabilitation amputierter Personen.

12:00–12:45 EXHIBITOR WORKSHOP  

Össur Deutschland GmbH

Prothetik der oberen Extremitäten – Standardisierte Dokumentation von Funktionsvorteilen kurz und mittelfristige Ergebnisse

Speaker: Anja Dworack-Kozian, Nils Ingwald

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12:00–12:45 EXHIBITOR WORKSHOP  

Blatchford Europe GmbH

**Rewriting the Rules:
How Innovation Will Reshape Prosthetics**

Speaker: N.N.

For years, prosthetic users have been placed into categories and "mobility boxes" that limit how we imagine their potential. This workshop explores how (our) new technologies and fresh thinking, are breaking these old boxes open. Together, we'll look at how innovation is redefining possibility and a new definition of what's achievable.

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ÖSSUR Prothetik. „WIR⁴ GEMEINSAM“

Verbesserung der Mobilität von Menschen: Möglichkeiten zur Austestung und Bewertung von funktionellen, sicheren und wirtschaft- lichen Hilfsmittel-Versorgungslösungen von ÖSSUR

Speaker: Arne Stüwert

Im Workshop stellen wir Ihnen einen bei ÖSSUR entwickelten Funktionstest zur Ermittlung von Gebrauchsvorteilen für Hilfsmittel-Lösungen der oberen Extremität sowie ein Nutzungs-Analyse-Verfahren für mechanische Prothesenfüße und -kniegelenke innerhalb des jeweiligen Produktlebenszyklus vor.

12:00 – 12:45 EXHIBITOR WORKSHOP

ÖSSUR Europe

Navii and Pro-Flex Terra; effortless comfort, safety and freedom for the TF amputee.

Speaker: Till Blickwede

12:00 – 12:45 EXHIBITOR WORKSHOP

Ofa Bamberg GmbH

Tipps und Tricks zur Flachstrickversorgung

Speaker: Michaela Lundius

Wir geben praxisnahe Einblicke in die Anwendung und Optimierung von Flachstrickprodukten. Wir sprechen über die optimale Anpassung und Passform, sowie über häufige Herausforderungen und deren Lösungen.

12:00 – 12:45 EXHIBITOR WORKSHOP

Ottobock SE & Co. KGaA

iconiq Liner – redefining individualized care

Speaker: Vanessa Rexin

The future of customised patient care starts now. See how the iconiq 3D-printed silicone liner redefines fit and comfort – and how you can incorporate it right into your treatment. Highlights of the workshop:

- From scan to liner: The journey from digital capture to the finished product.
- Practical tips: Selection, adaptation and successful application.

12:15 – 13:30 SYMPOSIUM

Disaster Conference – Learning from Mistakes

Chair: Dr. med. Doris Maier, Michael Schäfer

“It’s fine to celebrate success but it is more important to heed the lessons of failure,” said Bill Gates. With this in mind, experts in orthotics, prosthetics, and wheelchair provision present unsuccessful treatments in order to analyse them in the plenary session, discuss them, and work together to develop solutions. After all, pitfalls are everywhere. Especially as a newcomer to the profession, you benefit from the experience of your colleagues – true to the motto: Learning from mistakes makes you wiser.

12:15 – 13:30 SYMPOSIUM

In collaboration with DMGP, MetKo

Registry Research as a Tool for Generating Evidence and Improving Patient Treatment and Care

Chair: Dr. Urs Schneider, Merkur Alimusaj

Registers are systematic and transparent data collections in the healthcare sector. Registers are intended

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to improve the quality of treatment, care and rehabilitation. They enable transparency, traceability, and evidence-based decision-making. You will become familiar with various registers – such as the AMP Register Germany or the PraReg Register – and learn how to make use of them in your work.

12:15–13:45 SYMPOSIUM

In collaboration with DGOU Sektion Rehabilitation

Rehabilitation in Times of Conflict

Chair: Dr. med. Rainer Eckhardt, Dr. med. Stefan Simmel

The emergency response chain and acute treatment of severely injured patients are ensured in peacetime through the establishment of the DGU trauma network and the three-tiered DGUV system for managing work-related and commuting accidents. However, could the rehabilitation of military and civilian victims be provided in the event of war if there is already a 'rehabilitation gap' in the treatment of seriously injured persons in peacetime? Using Ukraine as a case study, you will learn what efforts are essential to ensure a seamless, phase-specific, and cross-sector rehabilitation process that preserves both military readiness and societal resilience.

13:00–13:45 EXHIBITOR WORKSHOP

Neskrid 4Allfeet b.v.

The digital future of orthopedic shoes

Speaker: Guido Laub, Martijn Fouchier

13:00–13:45 EXHIBITOR WORKSHOP

Blatchford Europe GmbH

The Digital Platform: Powering the Next Generation of P&O

Speaker: N.N.

Discover how a fully connected digital ecosystem is transforming prosthetics and orthotics. This workshop explores how data, intelligent tools, and seamless workflows empower clinicians, elevate patient outcomes, and shape a smarter, more efficient future for P&O.

13:00–13:45 EXHIBITOR WORKSHOP

Nobel 88

The perfect socket: The Gas System – A new standard in amputee residual limb casting

Speaker: Luca Gualerzi, Mirko Zambon, Valerio Liguori, Marco Ziccomeri

13:00–13:45 EXHIBITOR WORKSHOP

FIOR & GENTZ. „WIR⁴ GEMEINSAM“

Qualität, Sicherheit, Wirtschaftlichkeit: Optimierte Versorgungsplanung für Ihre Entscheidungsprozesse

Speaker: Martin Klose

Im Workshop präsentieren wir eine optimierte Versorgungsplanung, die durch strukturierte Prozesse höhere Versorgungssicherheit und wirtschaftliche Kostenplanung im Sinne des Patienten gewährleistet. Wir zeigen den bewährten Orthesen-Konfigurator von FIOR & GENTZ, der eine schnelle und nachvollziehbare Auswahl individueller Versorgungsoptionen zulässt. Ergänzend demonstrieren wir den Einsatz von Test-AFOs und Test-KAFOs, die eine präzise Funktionsprüfung und passgenaue Anpassung vor der finalen Versorgung ermöglichen.

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13:00 – 13:45 EXHIBITOR WORKSHOP

Saljol GmbH

Der Rollator ist mein bester Freund – Lesung und Gespräch mit Marie-Luise Marjan über Mobilität, Würde und Lebensfreude

Speaker: Thomas Appel

In einer besonderen Lesung teilt Schauspielerin Marie-Luise Marjan persönliche Erfahrungen mit Mobilität und Älterwerden und liest aus dem Buch „Der Rollator ist mein bester Freund“ von Saljol. Im anschließenden Gespräch wird der Rollator als Symbol für Selbstbestimmung, Teilhabe und Lebensfreude beleuchtet – jenseits von Stigma und Vorurteilen. Ein bewegendes Format, das zeigt, wie Mobilitätshilfen nicht nur Sicherheit, sondern auch Würde und Lebensqualität schenken können.

13:00 – 13:45 EXHIBITOR WORKSHOP

Bauerfeind AG

Die unterschätzte Zielgruppe – Schwangere als Cross-Selling-Champion

Speaker: Global Academy, Bauerfeind AG

13:00 – 13:45 EXHIBITOR WORKSHOP

Ottobock SE & Co. KGaA

exopulse suit – Versorgung und klinische Evidenz

Speaker: Dr. Marten Jakob

Von der Innovation zum Versorgungsstandard. Mit Versorgungsbeispielen aus der Praxis und den neuesten Erkenntnissen aus den klinischen Studien, bekommen Sie hier ein Update zum exopulse suit – dem weltweit ersten Neuromodulationsanzuges.

14:00 – 15:00 WORKSHOP

Structuring Interdisciplinary Treatment and Care from a Legal Perspective – How Can We Continue to Collaborate?

Chair: Dr. med. Doris Maier, Prof. Dr. Bernhard Greitemann

Interdisciplinary treatment and care succeeds where legal frameworks are clear, responsibilities are well defined, and competencies are sensibly coordinated. You will learn how collaboration can be implemented securely from a legal standpoint and which structures are necessary to integrate all professional groups effectively – enabling connected treatment and care that provides real added value for both patients and professionals.

14:00 – 15:00 WORKSHOP

Movement and Gait Analysis – Treatment Objectives and Indicators for Insole Treatment

Chair: Stefan Woltring

In this session, you will become familiar with the diverse possibilities of motion analysis and learn the differences in how movements can be observed and evaluated. You will see which assessment methods can be applied in the context of motion analysis in orthopaedic (footwear) technology – optionally using your own example. Afterwards, you will work together to compile the results and understand the added value that motion analysis brings to insole treatment.

14:00 – 15:00 WORKSHOP

In collaboration with BUFA, FOT,

New Socket. New Gait. The Path to a Suitable Lower Leg Prosthesis

Chair: Kathrin Jensen

When you provide prosthetic treatment, you have to ensure the correct fit, safe function and good

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appearance – because when it comes to acceptance, the full package matters. Your check-up makes all the difference to your patient's quality of life and mobility. You will gain in-depth insights into the trial fitting process and learn how to analyse, assess, and improve the prosthesis on the patient to achieve the best possible outcome – step by step.

14:00 – 15:00 POSTER PRESENTATION



Poster Presentations with Short Lectures – Orthotics, Digitalisation, Open Topics, Paediatric / Adolescent and Neuro- Orthopaedics, Measurement Technology, Rehabilitation and Rehabilitation Technology

In the ePoster exhibition, you will discover a wide range of ideas from research and practice that invite you to gain new perspectives. You can explore and delve deeper into the content at your own pace – the digital exhibition is permanently accessible throughout the entire event. Short lectures allow you to understand the background, thought processes and practical consequences directly. You will take away a variety of approaches that will inspire you to look at challenges in a new light and enrich your everyday work.

14:00 – 15:00 WORKSHOP



In collaboration with DGPL and Lymphologicum

Primäres Lymphödem

Chair: Prof. Dr. Gerd Lulay

Welchen Anforderungen stehst du bei der Versorgung von Patienten mit primären Lymphödemem gegenüber? Dazu teilen ein Facharzt, ein Therapeut und ein Kompressions-Experte ihr Wissen zu medizinischen Diagnoseverfahren, physiotherapeutischen Maßnahmen und Kompressionsversorgung.

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15:00 – 16:30 SYMPOSIUM

In collaboration with Initiative '93, VTO

Crises in Europe: How Should We Prepare Ourselves?

Chair: Prof. Dr. Benedikt Friemert, Prof. Dr. Bernhard Greitemann

The situation in Europe makes it necessary to address a potential crisis scenario and orthopaedic treatment and care for those affected by war. You will gain insights into the findings of colleagues and their approaches to solutions: current perspectives on acute treatment and the experiences of care teams will be presented, as well as the possibilities and limitations of rehabilitation and orthopaedic treatment.

15:00 – 15:45 EXHIBITOR WORKSHOP



Integrum AB

Osseointegration in Lower Extremities – Clinical Experience and Outcomes with the OPRA® Implant System

Speaker: Dr. Rickard Brånemark

This workshop focuses on Lower Extremities and highlights the multidisciplinary approach essential for successful osseointegration, bringing together surgical, prosthetic, rehabilitation, and patient perspectives. Dr. Rickard Brånemark, founder of Integrum and a leading expert in the field, will moderate the session and bridge clinical and technical insights. Participants will hear from professionals with extensive experience in OPRA™ Implant System procedures, prosthetic pathways, and long-term patient care. The session concludes with a first-hand patient story, illustrating how the OPRA™ Implant System can transform

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mobility, independence, and daily life. We look forward to welcoming you to this clinically oriented session on modern osseointegration.

15:00 – 15:45 EXHIBITOR WORKSHOP  
MOWA Healthcare AG

MOWA – the next level of custom orthotic care

Speaker: Shirin Farhat

Craftsmanship and expertise are essential - but in 2026, we need more: The MOWA system integrates scientific gait research, standardized digital patient analysis, and AI-powered simulation into a fully connected workflow within the MOWA app. The result: Modular, custom-fabricated carbon orthoses for the lower extremities, tailored to everyone from toddlers to adults, designed to meet the individual treatment objectives. Experience how modern technology doesn't replace your craft but takes it to the next level: more efficiency, precision, and competitiveness. Those who embrace digital thinking early shape the future - those who wait, fall behind. The question is not whether you will digitize, but how fast. Shape the future of your industry today - with MOWA!

15:00 – 15:45 EXHIBITOR WORKSHOP  
Coyote

Master Class on Improving Orthotic Planning: Clinical Strategies for Dynamic Strut AFO Utilization

Speaker: Cassandra Delgado

This in-person master class will deliver a comprehensive and clinically focused understanding of the Dynamic Strut AFO implementation, planning, and optimization. Attendees will explore patient selection, biomechanics, component selection, and

evidence-based strategies to enhance gait outcomes and functional mobility. The course blends lecture-based learning with hands-on fitting, adjustment, patient case reviews, and real-world troubleshooting to strengthen clinical decision-making and elevate orthotic outcomes.

15:00 – 15:45 EXHIBITOR WORKSHOP  
College Park / ÖSSUR

Odyssey iQ: Microprocessor foot Innovation from College Park

Speaker: Jonathan Cook

This workshop will cover the features and clinical benefits of the Odyssey iQ microprocessor foot from College Park. Programming with the Stride Studio app and alignment specifications will be reviewed. Recent updates and improvements will be discussed as well. Appropriate selection criteria will be reviewed.

15:00 – 15:45 EXHIBITOR WORKSHOP  
LeoShape

Digital 3D Manufacturing Workflow for O&P with LeoShape

Speaker: Drew Meyer, Roland Mányai

15:00 – 15:45 EXHIBITOR WORKSHOP  
Bauerfeind AG

Future Learning: Wie Augmented Reality (AR) & Online-Training die Weiterbildung im Gesundheitsmarkt neu definieren

Speaker: Global Academy, Bauerfeind AG

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Ottobock SE & Co. KGaA

C-Brace Interim: Interimsversorgung in der frühen Phase der Rehabilitation

Speaker: Volker Schmidt, Alexander Hardt

Eine Interimsversorgung mit C-Brace ermöglicht ein flexibles, anpassbares Versorgungskonzept, welches Patienten in allen Phasen der Genesung unterstützt – praxisnah und zukunftsorientiert. Erfahren Sie, für welche Patienten geeignet sind, wie eine Versorgung abläuft und welches Protokoll in 6 Monaten durchlaufen wird.

15:15 – 16:30 SYMPOSIUM



In Collaboration with VTO

What Gait Reveals: Gait Analysis Meets Treatment

Chair: Prof. Dr. Frank Braatz, Prof. Dr. Harald Böhm

Tools for Gait Analysis: You will learn the fundamental methods of gait analysis and, using practical examples, how to assess the biomechanical effects of orthoses and prostheses on walking patterns.

15:15 – 16:30 SYMPOSIUM

NeuroMobility

Chair: Dr. Andreas Hahn, Dr. med. Jennifer Ernst

Neurological conditions such as spinal cord injuries, multiple sclerosis, cerebral palsy or stroke, as well as the consequences of neurological trauma or viral infections, prove to be incurable in many cases. Those affected must learn to live with flaccid or spastic paralysis. The goal is always to achieve long-term, pain-free mobility. New treatment options are emerging: microprocessor-controlled knee ankle foot orthoses, whole-body neuromodulation, or functional

electrical stimulation. You will learn about the latest results from clinical studies and practical experience within this dynamically evolving therapeutic field.

15:15 – 16:30 FREE PAPERS

New Approaches to Pain Reduction and Rehabilitation

Chair: Dr. Stefan Middeldorf, Dr. PhD Cosima Prahm

You will become familiar with innovative technologies used in the rehabilitation of patients with pain or in the daily lives of people with permanent impairments: transcutaneous electrical nerve stimulation (TENS), percutaneous needle neurostimulation, and contactless control of complex electric wheelchairs. A new rehabilitation system for people with osseointegrated prostheses will also be presented. You will learn how to apply these innovative methods purposefully to relieve pain, promote motivation, and enhance your patients' independence.

15:15 – 16:15 WORKSHOP



Wenn einen der Schlag trifft – Eine Einführung in das Krankheitsbild, physiotherapeutische Frühbehandlung und die orthopädietechnische Versorgung der Folgen

Chair: Petra Menkel

Was genau passiert eigentlich bei einem Schlaganfall im Körper? Warum zählt jede Minute? Neben Antworten auf diese Fragen erhältst du Einblick in die Arbeit der physiotherapeutischen Frühbehandlung und lernst die wichtigsten Hilfsmittel kennen, die einige Folgen des Schlaganfalls abmildern.

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16:45 – 18:00 SYMPOSIUM



Vocational Training Today and Tomorrow – What Are the Options?

Chair: Ralf Lettermann

What distinguishes different training programmes? How can they be improved? How can we implement a digital training report form? What might vocational training look like in the future? How far have we come—and what still needs to be done? As teachers, trainers, and especially trainees, participants will learn about practice-oriented approaches to excellence in vocational training that are already available today.

16:45 – 18:00 SYMPOSIUM

Treatment and Care After Brachial Plexus Palsy

Chair: Dr. med. Detlev Schreier

Interdisciplinary treatment and care pathway – from surgery to orthosis. The journey from surgery to orthotic treatment and care requires close collaboration between surgery, rehabilitation/physiotherapy, and prosthetics and orthotics. Only through early communication, coordinated therapy goals and a structured transition can healing processes be optimised, mobility ensured, and patients' quality of life sustainably improved. The pathway from surgery, through the rehabilitation clinic and physiotherapy/occupational therapy, to orthotic treatment and care is outlined. A successful outcome can only be achieved when these departments work together optimally.

16:45 – 17:45 WORKSHOP



In collaboration with Junges Forum O und U

Hands on: Orthesenversorgung für Einsteiger

Chair: Prof. Dr. Bernhard Greitemann

In der Notaufnahme schnell eine Orthese verordnen – dabei gibt es oftmals mehr zu bedenken, als man im ersten Moment denkt. Du erhältst einen in verschiedene Orthesen für Sprunggelenk, Kniegelenk, Schulter und mehr. Dazu erfährst du die Indikationsstellung, worin sie sich unterscheiden und wie du sie richtig rezeptierst.

16:45 – 18:00 FREE PAPERS

New Approaches in Leg Prosthetics

Chair: Dr. Michael Ernst, Dipl.-Ing. Daniel Heitzmann

Modern prostheses can influence movement under real-life conditions – at the levels of biomechanics, function and individual adaptation. You will learn how innovative foot designs, hydraulic systems and biomechanical analyses contribute to improving the safety, efficiency and naturalness of walking. The insights will help you apply modern prosthetics more purposefully and sustainably improve the gait of your patients – in all situations, from daily life to sporting activity.

16:45 – 18:00 FREE PAPERS

Technologies for Therapy and Rehabilitation

Chair: Dr. med. Stefan Simmel, Veronika Hofmann

Orthoses and exoskeletons, in combination with physiotherapy and occupational therapy, can help people return to work after overuse or an accident. You will learn how technology, training and motivation interact to promote the independence and participation of those affected.

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09:00 – 16:00 POSTER PRESENTATION

Poster presentation – permanently available in the foyer of the CCO

In the ePoster exhibition, you will encounter a wide range of ideas from research and practice that invite you to discover new perspectives.

09:15 – 10:15 WORKSHOP



In collaboration with BUFA, FOT

Small Errors, Big Impact: Understanding the Biomechanics of Transfemoral Prostheses

Chair: Alexandra Reim

Small errors, big impact: Even small deviations in the alignment of an upper leg prosthesis can have major effects on gait, comfort, and long-term health. You will see live demonstrations with patients, identifying common fitting errors, their causes, and underlying issues. Questions addressed include: How do I determine the correct prosthesis length? When does the rotation between pelvis, knee, and prosthetic foot align properly? Is the socket flexion angle appropriate? Explore these topics interactively to ensure everything “runs” smoothly.

09:15 – 10:15 WORKSHOP



In collaboration with KomZet OST

Digital Treatment Processes in Orthopaedic Technology

Chair: Prof. Dr.-Ing. David Hochmann, Prof. Dr. Frank Braatz

Digital processes offer great potential for efficiency, quality and patient satisfaction – if they are integrated sensibly. You will gain a practical insight into digitalisation in prosthetics and orthotics and orthopaedic shoe technology. The focus is on digital treatment processes – from data collection to

implementation – as well as the necessary hardware and software. You will become familiar with current interface problems and initial approaches to AI use, and learn how to efficiently integrate digital systems into existing workflows in order to establish digital processes in daily practice.

09:15 – 10:15 WORKSHOP

In collaboration with AAOP

Interdisciplinary Care Pathways in Idiopathic Scoliosis – A Binational Comparison between Germany and the United States

Chair: Merkur Alimusaj

International experts will show you how they approach the treatment of patients with adolescent idiopathic scoliosis (AIS) in Germany and the USA. The focus is on the fabrication and design of trunk orthoses. From this, you will learn how to optimise patient care through effective communication and teamwork.

09:15 – 10:15 WORKSHOP



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10:00 – 12:00 SYMPOSIUM

German-Vietnamese Medical Symposium as Part of OTWorld

Chair: Prof. Christoph Josten, Dr. Phan Đình Mừng

The German-Vietnamese medical symposium focuses on current trends in orthopaedics and traumatology. In the shoulder, there is discussion as to whether the so-called hemiprosthesis is superior to the inverse prosthesis. In cases of shoulder instability, it must be clarified whether and how cup defects are repaired. In hip arthroplasty, both sides are increasingly being treated in a single operation. The technique and indications are described. Due to possible septic complications, the question arises as to whether, in cases of post-traumatic coxarthrosis with embedded osteosynthesis material, this material should first be removed and endoprosthetic treatment carried out in a second operation, or whether everything can be done in a single operation. In the knee joint, the techniques of anterior and posterior cruciate ligament reconstruction in arthroscopy are discussed. A central topic in surgical treatment of the spine is traumatic fractures, which place special demands on surgical technique.

10:30 – 11:45 SYMPOSIUM

In collaboration with GOTS

Orthopaedic Treatment and Care in Sports – What to Keep in Mind?

Chair: PD Dr. Casper Grim, Prof. Dr. Bernhard Greitemann

You will gain practical knowledge about the indication-based treatment with orthoses in sports – from shoulder and ankle to radius fractures. You will learn when and how medical aids are truly effective, and what role the interdisciplinary team plays in ensuring a quick and safe return to the squad.

This knowledge will support your informed decision-making in daily practice and improve the treatment you provide to both recreational and professional athletes.

10:30 – 11:45 SYMPOSIUM

AI and Digitalisation in Rehabilitation – Opportunities and Risks

Chair: Prof. Dr. Thomas Neumuth, Dr. med. Doris Maier

Digitalisation, artificial intelligence and robotics will bring about change and open up new possibilities. You will gain insights into various projects and learn where and how new technologies are already being practically applied in rehabilitation. Opposing this progress are traditional processes, procedures, laws and regulations. Where are the limits, and how can we successfully develop these new opportunities together?

10:30 – 11:45 SYMPOSIUM

In collaboration with Junges Forum O u U

Physical Integrity and Orthopaedic Treatment and Care in Diverse Cultural Contexts

Chair: Dr. Alonja Reiter, Merkur Alimusaj

When treating amputees, you will encounter different expectations. Often, the desire for functional reconstruction takes priority, but sometimes the primary focus is on cosmetic reconstruction. This is frequently linked to cultural and religious norms. Access to reconstructive resources also influences decision-making. By exploring these different perspectives, you will learn how to respond to these expectations.

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10:30 – 11:45 FREE PAPERS



Global Perspective – Education and Collaboration in Prosthetics and Orthotics

Chair: Stephan John, Lars Grun

Asia, Africa, South America, Europe – the continents could hardly be more different, yet one thing remains the same: the desire to provide patients with the best possible treatment and care. The contributions illustrate how education, digital collaboration and intercultural exchange help to achieve this goal – both professionally and personally. International experience not only broadens knowledge, but also helps to drive sustainable change in global treatment and care.

10:30 – 11:30 WORKSHOP



Brustprothesen im Spannungsfeld zwischen Diagnose Krebs, Kostendruck und psychischer Belastung aller Beteiligten

Chair: Petra Menkel

Nach der Vorstellung der wichtigsten Fakten zum Thema Brustkrebs und der aktuellen OP-Methoden erhältst du einen Überblick über die gängigsten Brustprothesen für die Versorgung deiner Kundinnen. Du gewinnst Sicherheit im kompetenten und einfühlsamen Umgang mit deinen Kundinnen und erfährst, wie du mit der Sicherheit aus deinem Fachwissen herausfordernde Gespräche besser führst oder dich emotional abgrenzen kannst.

11:00 – 11:45 EXHIBITOR WORKSHOP



Amparo Prosthetics

Above-Knee Prosthetics, Reinvented with Direct Fitting Methodologies

Speaker: Bibiana Almeida

Amparo brings its proven direct-fit system to AK prosthetics. Experience rapid, precise, and patient-ready fittings.

11:00 – 11:45 EXHIBITOR WORKSHOP



Vogel Orthopädie Technik

VPS-System, der innovative Prothesenschaft

Speaker: Tobias Vogel

Das neue VPS-System (Vacuum-Pressure-Socket System) von Vogel Orthopädie Technik ist seit 2022 auf dem Markt. Das subischiale Schaftsystem hat seitdem viele Anwender*innen überzeugt. Erhalten Sie einen Eindruck über die verschiedenen Versorgungsmöglichkeiten und deren Vorteile.

11:00 – 11:45 EXHIBITOR WORKSHOP



iFIT Prosthetics

Adjustable, immediate fit, lower limb prosthetics provide superior comfort and skin health

Speaker: Timothy R. Dillingham

In this session I will demonstrate how to fit a person with transtibial limb loss with an iFIT adjustable transtibial prosthesis.

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11:00 – 11:45 EXHIBITOR WORKSHOP  

Create it REAL

Master digital craftsmanship with 3D-printed orthopedic products

Speaker: Jeremie Gay

The new generation of custom orthopedic products embraces a digital-first and 3D-printed approach. This transition may pose a hurdle for orthopedic professionals. In this workshop, Create it REAL has teamed up with experts in digital tools and production to showcase how to digitalize the workflow for the production of custom products. Also, we present a real customer case that has implemented a full digital workflow. Learn the ins and outs of digitizing workflows to create personalized 3D-printed orthopedic products. We will use tailored seating designs as an example to showcase scanning, CAD mastery, build prep (slicing), and insights into 3D printing (FDM). This workshop targets orthopedic professionals curious about reducing labor and carbon footprint and stepping into sustainable additive manufacturing - it may be simpler than you imagine.

11:00 – 11:45 EXHIBITOR WORKSHOP  

TASKA Prosthetics / Steeper Group

Integrated Excellence: The Future of Upper-Limb Prosthetics, powered by TASKA & STEEPER

Speaker: Claire Mai, Brian McLaughlin

Experience what's possible when the best hand and the best elbow on the market work as one. This workshop showcases the Espire Elbow and TASKA Hand as a class-leading upper-limb combination, delivering unmatched control, strength, and real-world reliability. Through practical insights, user feedback and clinical guidance, learn how this elite pairing

enables smoother movement, more confident use, and outstanding outcomes for upper-limb patients, setting a new benchmark for integrated prosthetic performance.

11:00 – 11:45 EXHIBITOR WORKSHOP  

Ottobock SE & Co. KGaA

Biomechanics meets virtual reality: Static prosthetic alignment reimaged

Speaker: Christian Reitingner

The biomechanical principles of static prosthetic alignment will be explained based on practical examples. With the innovative lazar posture solution, participants will experience how virtual reality supports the visualisation and optimisation of prosthetic alignment.

12:00 – 12:45 EXHIBITOR WORKSHOP  

DIETZ GROUP

ICF-Versorgungsmanagement in der Praxis: Von der Diagnose zur erfolgreichen Einreihung

Referent: Patrick Göllner

Praxisorientierter Workshop zur strukturierten ICF-Evaluation im Versorgungsprozess. Im Fokus stehen: vereinfachte Diagnosedarstellung, Aktivitäten des täglichen Lebens, Kostenträgerlogik und prüffeste Argumentation in GKV- und MD-Verfahren. Du nimmst eine einfache Methode mit, die dir hilft, Diagnosen übersichtlich darzustellen, Versorgungsziele schnell abzuleiten und Kostenträgern eine logische, prüffeste Begründung zu liefern.

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In collaboration with BUFA

Best Outcomes Through Teamwork: Interdisciplinary Collaboration in Prosthetics and Orthotics

Chair: Lisa Marr

How does interdisciplinary collaboration in orthopaedic treatment and care really work? You will learn how physicians, technicians, and therapists make decisions together – and why communication is crucial. Using a real case study, you will work with other workshop participants to develop a sample treatment and care plan and gain insight into the priorities of each discipline. Along the way, you will acquire practical knowledge, discover new perspectives, and experience genuine teamwork – exactly what modern treatment and care is all about.

13:00–14:00 WORKSHOP



The Anatomy of the Foot – Myofascial Chains – Relevance for Insole Treatment

Chair: Stefan Woltring

In this workshop, you will learn why the feet form the foundation of the entire body. You will be introduced to functional anatomy and myofascial connections, and gain an understanding of how dysfunctions can create chains of effects throughout the body. The focus is on the collaboration between therapy and orthopaedic (footwear) technology: using concrete examples, you will see how insoles can be specifically integrated into holistic treatment concepts and what solutions they offer in practice. Together with a patient, these connections are made immediately visible and easy to understand.

13:00–14:00 WORKSHOP



In collaboration with VTO

Amputation: Which Standard Surgical Techniques Are Used When – What Is New?

Chair: Prof. Dr. Frank Braatz

You will learn about the standard surgical procedures used for lower limb amputations. You will also learn about important factors for amputation heights and understand what is important in terms of treatment so that patients can avoid potential obstacles. You can ask experienced surgeons your questions directly.

13:00–14:00 WORKSHOP



In Kooperation mit therapie LEIPZIG

Rückenschmerz konservativ behandeln – lumbale Stabilität, Training & Hilfsmittel sinn- voll kombinieren

Speaker: Robin Lehmann

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Amparo Prosthetics

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Speaker: Bibiana Almeida

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Functional Comparison and Social Perception of a New Orthotic Intervention for Idiopathic Toe-Walking in Children

Coyote Lecture Presentation: 19.05.2026 12:15:00

Advanced Suspension Strategies for Challenging Residual Limbs: Treating the Quad-Involved Amputee with 3D Printing

Coyote Workshop: 19.05. 12:00 - 12:45 **Coyote Hands-On Workshop: Advancing Prosthetic Designs with Suspension Solutions**

Coyote Workshop: 21.05. 15:00 - 15:45 **Master Class on Improving Orthotic Planning: Clinical Strategies for Dynamic Strut AFO Utilization**

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Kokochii soles-online GmbH

Next Generation Insoles: Pioneering the Future of Orthopedic Footwear with AI and 3D Printing

Speaker: Dr. Kerstin Lauer

13:00 – 13:45 EXHIBITOR WORKSHOP  

OPED GmbH

Global Applications of Gait Analysis in Clinical Practice

Speaker: Alison Chesterman

Orthelligent VISION is redefining how clinicians approach gait analysis and decision-making in prosthetic and orthotic care. This session explores the technology's role as a clinical decision-support tool and how targeted education bridges the gap between data and real-world application. Drawing on international collaboration, we share insights from educational programs designed to empower clinicians with practical skills for interpreting gait parameters, integrating objective and subjective data, and applying findings across the full clinical workflow, from initial assessment to long-term review. Through real case studies, we demonstrate how Orthelligent VISION supports evidence-based prescription, device tuning, and outcome tracking. Attendees will also discover the latest platform features, including multi-analysis comparison reports and visual overlays, and learn strategies for transforming complex gait data into actionable clinical decisions. Whether you're an experienced user or seeking to enhance your gait analysis expertise, this session will show how technology and education together can strengthen multidisciplinary care and improve patient outcomes worldwide.

13:00 – 13:45 EXHIBITOR WORKSHOP  

Vilje Bionics

A Practical Path to 3D: Transitioning your P&O Practice Without Heavy Investment

Speaker: Saeid Hosseini

VilPower – The world's first motorized orthoses for the entire arm.

13:00 – 13:45 EXHIBITOR WORKSHOP  

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A Practical Path to 3D: Transitioning your P&O Practice Without Heavy Investment

Speaker: Joren Vallaeys

This presentation explores how prosthetics and orthotics clinics can transition to 3D technologies at their own pace, without requiring large upfront investments or disrupting existing workflows. Through practical examples and real-world implementations, attendees will learn how to incrementally adopt digital tools that improve efficiency, flexibility, and patient outcomes. The focus is on realistic, scalable steps that make 3D accessible to clinics of all sizes.

13:00 – 13:45 EXHIBITOR WORKSHOP  

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Efficiency Meets Precision: Saving Time with Direct Composite Socket Fabrication

Speaker: Tino Hartmann

Join us for an insightful demonstration of the hydronic lumeo, a new technology that replaces traditional plaster casting with an anatomically precise socket fabrication in just minutes. Using controlled hydrostatic pressure and a UV-activated composite material, the process captures the residual limb

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under full weight-bearing conditions to ensure a perfect fit. Discover how this system enhances efficiency for technicians, improves comfort for patients, and supports sustainable manufacturing by reducing waste and resource use.

14:15 – 15:30 FREE PAPERS



Advances in Neuro-Orthotics

Chair: Markus Hildebrandt-Ahlborn, Arne Schlausch

You will learn how, and with which methods, electrical stimulation can influence neurological impairments and, for example, improve motor control or provide pain relief. In addition, you will become aware of the significance that interdisciplinary treatment and care has for the success of rehabilitation, for example after a stroke.

14:15 – 15:30 FREE PAPERS



New Approaches in Amputation Surgery

Chair: Dr. med. Jennifer Ernst, PD Dr. med. Franz Landauer

In this session, you will receive an overview of current developments in amputation surgery. The contributions demonstrate how muscles, tissue preservation, and surgical expertise affect function, prosthetic attachment, and long-term mobility. You will see how modern surgical techniques provide the foundation for improved functionality and patient treatment and care.

14:15 – 15:30 FREE PAPERS



Measurement, Testing, and Evaluation in Orthotics and Prosthetics

Chair: Prof. Dr.-Ing. David Hochmann, Prof. Dr. Frank Braatz

When is a treatment really good – and can it be proven? You will receive answers to these and similar questions: Testing procedures, standards and evaluation methods serve as reproducible foundations for measurable quality of orthoses and prostheses. Subjective assessments by test users provide insights into their effects. The results help you better evaluate the products – and invoice accordingly.

14:15 – 15:15 WORKSHOP



In Kooperation mit therapie LEIPZIG

Konservative Therapie bei Rückenschmerzen – von Clinical Reasoning bis Hilfsmittelversorgung

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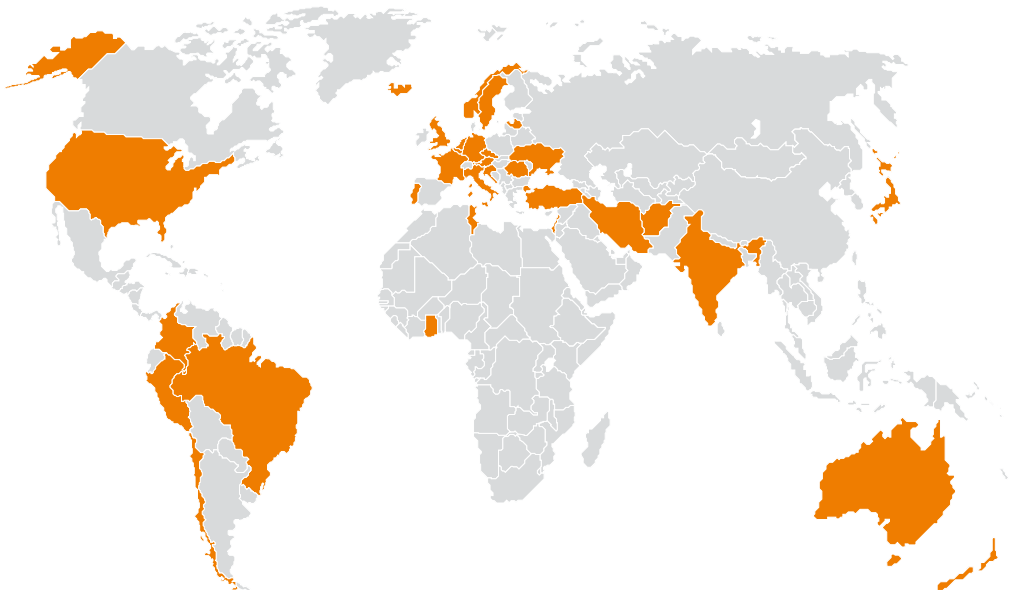
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They are supported by a high-calibre programme and workshop committee. It consists of members of various professional associations as well as other experts from the fields of prosthetics and orthotics, orthopaedic footwear technology, medical supply stores, medicine and therapy.

They represent both leading associations of the skilled trades such as the German Association of Orthopaedic Technology (BIV-OT) and scientific organisations. The composition of the World Congress thus reflects the mission statement of an interdisciplinary event.

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OTWORLD – THE INTERNATIONAL TRADE SHOW

KEY TOPICS AND HIGHLIGHTS

Over 570 leading national and international companies from the fields of **prosthetics and orthotics, orthopaedic shoe technology, medical supply stores, rehabilitation technology, medicine and rehabilitation** will be presenting their latest innovations and technologies – OTWorld is all about progress and forward-looking solutions. Discover exciting developments in the sector and gain new insights for your everyday work.

OTWorld 2026 offers you an ideal platform to deepen your knowledge, make contacts and experience the diversity of the medical aids industry in all its facets.

EXHIBITION AREAS



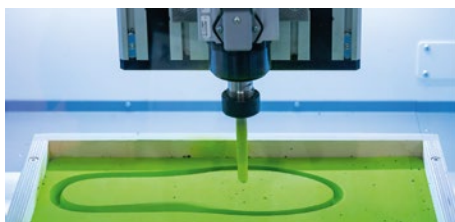
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OTWorld.shoe-technology

In 2026, OTWorld.shoe-technology will once again be the central meeting place for orthopaedic footwear professionals from Germany and abroad. In the exhibition area in Hall 1, manufacturers and service providers will present the latest techniques, materials and product innovations in the field of orthopaedic footwear technology. Once again, the center will be the Foot & Shoe hub, which is jointly organised by the German Competence Centre for orthopaedic footwear technology and the Study Group for orthopaedic footwear technology (Studiengemeinschaft Orthopädieschuhtechnik e. V.) and will be dedicated to the topic of 'the diabetic foot syndrome'.



OTWorld.3D

Experience how 3D printing and digital technologies enhance the skilled trades of orthopaedic technology. Visit OTWorld.3D in Hall 1 to meet manufacturers showing how traditional expertise and modern technology come together seamlessly.

New this year: a joint stand by FORMNEXT will present the latest highlights from additive manufacturing.

Visit the **Innovation Forum Digital Manufacturing** and experience exciting pitches from innovative exhibitors on the latest manufacturing processes, materials and practical applications.



OTWorld.education + research

Experience how modern assistance systems, humanoid robots and intelligent technologies are shaping the care of tomorrow in the special show 'Robotics & AI'. Discover practical use cases you can touch, test interactive applications directly on site and talk to experts.

Exciting short presentations and live demonstrations will show you how robotics and AI facilitate work processes, support therapies and open up new possibilities for care, training and everyday life.

At OTWorld.campus, universities, colleges and technical schools from all over the world will showcase the latest opportunities for advanced training and continuing education without limits. You can find out about training paths in health-care professions and gain exciting insights into the work of students.

Special highlights await you in 2026, including a myoelectric railway and a self-driving wheelchair – projects and work by students that demonstrate creativity and technical skill.



OTWorld.start-ups

A breath of fresh air: young companies from around the world showcase the ideas and trends shaping the modern assistive technology industry. Meet the founders in person, discover exciting solutions first-hand and be inspired by how new technologies and creative approaches can enrich your daily work.



COUNTRY PAVILIONS

Experience the international diversity of OTWorld at the country pavilions – the ideal opportunity to get to know different markets at a glance, make new contacts and gather inspiration for your practice.

The joint stands for the USA & Canada, United Kingdom and China are located in Hall 1. The country pavilions for Spain and France are located in Hall 5.

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FURTHER SPOTLIGHTS



LIVING WITH NEUROLOGICAL CONDITIONS

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ENABLING PARTICIPATION THROUGH CARE

This special exhibition shows how people with neurological disorders can be supported from early childhood through to working life with the right medical aids, interprofessional care and social support. It illustrates how participation can be achieved throughout different stages of life – from nursery school to school and training to industrial or office workplaces.

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On a spacious sports field in Hall 1, you can experience how diverse and accessible parasports can be at 'Enabling Movement – Parasports in Healthcare'. You can learn about sports for people with physical disabilities – and try them out for yourself.

Clubs, coaches and active para-athletes will show you how sport promotes quality of life, independence and participation. Whether it's sitting volleyball, wheelchair basketball, wheelchair rugby or boccia for the blind – the special exhibition provides lively insights into the diversity of sport.

The aim of the special exhibition is to make the importance of exercise and sport for people with physical disabilities even clearer to you. Because every step, every throw and every contact with a club can be a new path to greater self-confidence, mobility and joie de vivre.

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PHYSIOTHERAPISTS' DAY ON FRIDAY, 22 MAY 2026

On Physiotherapists' Day, you can expect exciting insights, practical inspiration and new ideas for your everyday working life. Experience guided tours, special offers and workshops, exchange ideas with colleagues and be inspired – a day full of knowledge, practice and networking, organised in cooperation with therapie Leipzig!

HANDS-ON WORKSHOPS



In over 90 exhibitor workshops, you can experience the latest innovations from companies first-hand, try them out and learn about them in a practical setting.

Your trade fair ticket also gives you access to all of the congress workshops – ideal for deepening your knowledge and gaining new inspiration for your daily practice.

FOR THE NEXT GENERATION



YOUTH.ACADEMY TO ON 21 AND 22 MAY 2026



In 2026, it will be that time again: The Youth.Academy TO will enter its next round – right in the middle of OTWorld!

The Youth.Academy TO is your platform if you are just starting your professional journey in technical orthopaedics. Whether you are in training or studying, here you will meet like-minded people, gain valuable insights into the sector and be able to network and develop your skills across disciplines.

For two days, everything revolves around what helps you get ahead:
TRAINING – EXCHANGING IDEAS – CELEBRATING!

You can look forward to extensive highlights such as access to selected conference lectures, workshops and the legendary JA.TO barbecue evening – in 2026 at a new location on Lake Schladitz.

The programme and further information can be found here!



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From **19 to 22 May 2026**, the **OTWorld.eSummit** will showcase how digital solutions are making orthopaedic treatment and care more efficient, user-friendly and future-proof – from e-prescriptions, and e-orders to AI and telemedicine to intelligent software solutions.

The focus is on practical answers to the most pressing questions in the sector:
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OTWORLD OPENING CEREMONY

**Tuesday, 19 May 2026, from 4:45 p.m.
in Hall 1, Congress Centre OTWorld,
Exhibition Hall 3**

Traditionally, the official opening of the event takes place on the first day of OTWorld in Leipzig. To this end, numerous renowned representatives of the sector from Germany and abroad will meet on 19 May 2026 at 4:45 p.m. All visitors, exhibitors and speakers are cordially invited to experience this special moment together.

Don't miss out on this highlight and visit the opening event of OTWorld 2026!

OTWORLD ANNIVERSARY PARTY

**Tuesday, 19 May 2026, from 6:30 p.m.
in the Glass Hall of the Leipziger Messe**

Celebrate 50 years of OTWorld with us in the impressive glass hall of the Leipziger Messe! Look forward to great **music**, **good drinks** and a **fantastic atmosphere** as we celebrate half a century of innovation and progress in orthopaedics together. Be there when the OTWorld community comes together – an evening full of encounters, conversations and unforgettable moments!



OTWORLD AFTER WORK

**Thursday, 21 May 2026, from 7 p.m.
at Felix, Augustusplatz 1-3, 04109 Leipzig**

NETWORKING HIGH ABOVE THE ROOFS OF LEIPZIG

Enjoy the evening high above the roofs of Leipzig at Felix – with breathtaking views and a relaxed rooftop terrace atmosphere.

Meet colleagues, customers and exciting new contacts, chat casually over a drink and exchange ideas about the latest trends.

The perfect place to network after a long day at the trade fair, meet new people and simply enjoy the view over the city!

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Leipziger Messe, Halls 1, 3 and 5
Conference area, Messehaus

DURATION OF THE EVENT

Tuesday, 19 May to Friday, 22 May 2026

OPENING TIMES

WORLD CONGRESS

9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

(on Friday, 22 May 2026 until 4:00 p.m.)

TRADE SHOW

9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

(on Friday, 22 May 2026 until 4:00 p.m.)

CONGRESS LANGUAGES

The official congress languages are German and English with AI translation into the other language. Additional languages are also being prepared.

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Day ticket, online	235,00 EUR
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Symposia and lectures	✓	✗
Sessions of free papers	✓	✗
Poster lectures	✓	✗
Workshops (incl. workshops specifically for medical supply store employees)	✓	✓
Certification, CPD credits	✓	✗
Trade show		
Trade show visit	✓	✓
Exhibitor workshops	✓	✓
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- Free access to selected lectures and workshops at the OTWorld World Congress
- Free travel to and from the exhibition grounds within Leipzig (fare zone 110) by public transport
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Further information at
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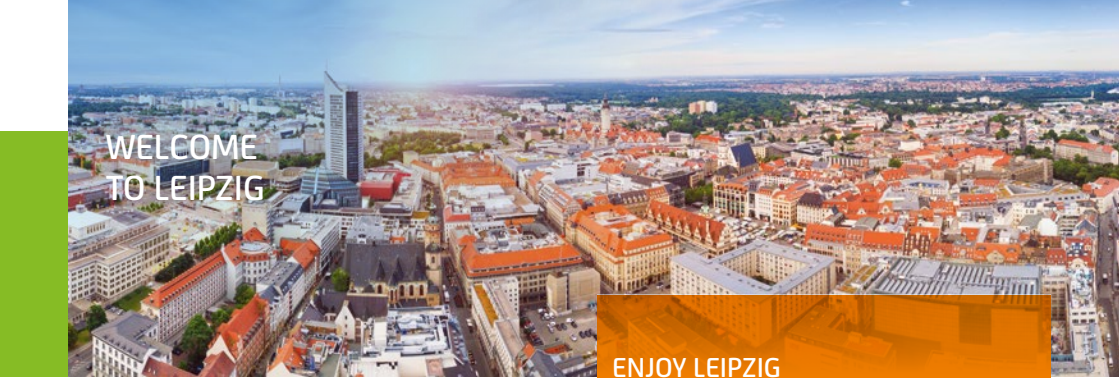
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Charming, cosmopolitan and lively – Leipzig welcomes you with open arms! In addition to OTWorld, this traditional trade fair city offers a wide range of cultural and leisure activities, from historical sights and modern museums to lively neighbourhoods. Discover the diversity of Leipzig and be inspired.

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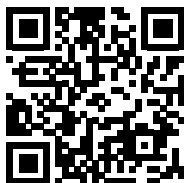
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