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## The SMTconnect 2024: Industry meeting point and networking platform

Stuttgart, Germany, 13 June 2024. In addition to products and solutions from 165 exhibitors, the focus at the SMTconnect 2024 in Nuremberg, Germany, from 11 – 13 June 2024 was primarily on personal exchange on current trends and developments in electronics manufacturing.

Over three days, the trade fair for electronics production brought together experts in assembly and connection technology on a total of 15,000 square meters in the exhibition halls. The trade fair created space for personal exchange within the SMTconnect community. More than 7,100 visitors were able to network intensively within the industry and expand their specialist knowledge even further as part of a top-class lecture program.

### Diverse highlights: Forum program, production line and more

The trade fair forum provided exciting insights into current topics affecting the industry, including AI in electronics production, Industry 4.0 and manufacturing of power electronics. The lectures best attended included the keynote “Innovative packaging and connection technology in power electronics - insight into research”, by Nils Thielen, Head of Electronics Production Research at Friedrich-Alexander-Universität Erlangen-Nürnberg as well as the lecture "New application for lasers in electronics production - lasering cables onto printed circuit boards" by Uwe Kriegshäuser, Managing Director of Schnaidt GmbH.

This year, the Fraunhofer Institute for Reliability and Microintegration (IZM) “Future Packaging” production line was shown under the motto “See the REAL DEAL”. Various live production demonstrations examined how a higher degree of digitalization and automation can make production processes more robust against disruptions and external influences. With this joint effort by 15 participating companies, trade visitors benefitted from a large pool of expertise. Those interested were able to find suitable contacts and could pose questions on specific challenges. This exchange of knowledge was considered the first building block to make possible recommendations for action.

This year interested visitors were able to find all the elements required for the production process in system integration. The SMTconnect presented a comprehensive spectrum of surface mounting, from materials and components to coating and test systems.

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