



## Berlin, Germany

Berlin is not just Germany's political centre, but it is also among the most dynamic economic and scientific regions in Europe. The capital area offers excellent conditions for business and investors by a well-developed infrastructure and a strong science and research community. Berlin encompasses Germany's largest concentration of scientific institutions, among others, three major universities and institutes of Fraunhofer, Helmholtz and Max Planck, also corporate research and development departments as well as many start-ups. The entrepreneurial activity is diverse, including IT, chemical, electrical and mechanical engineering, service and logistics. The dynamic service sector contributes to an increasingly networked value creation. Berlin has become a melting pot of nationalities from all over the globe. Based on centuries long tradition of integrating skilled people from European countries, and especially after the break of the Wall and the reunification of Germany from all over the world, an atmosphere of innovation and entrepreneurial outbreak coins the atmosphere of the region. Young personalities, highly motivated for challenging activities, come to Berlin for networking and shaping action paths for their future lives and professional careers. In this context, innovative high-tech businesses and a huge number of start-ups of all kind progressively come into existence. Museums of arts, history and technology, theatres and opera houses create a rich cultural scene.

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## Venue & Settings

The 18th GCSM will take place at the Production Technology Centre (PTZ), which integrates Technische Universität Berlin, Institut für Werkzeugmaschinen und Fabrikbetrieb (IWF) and Fraunhofer Institut für Produktionsanlagen und Konstruktionstechnik (IPK). At PTZ, a manifold of projects on innovative value creation, with special reference to manufacturing technology and management, are carried out. The development of new processes, tools, and products related to business models as well as new means of learning and teaching are part of PTZ's daily activities. Synergies between experienced research, teaching staff and young students characterize the environment at the centre.

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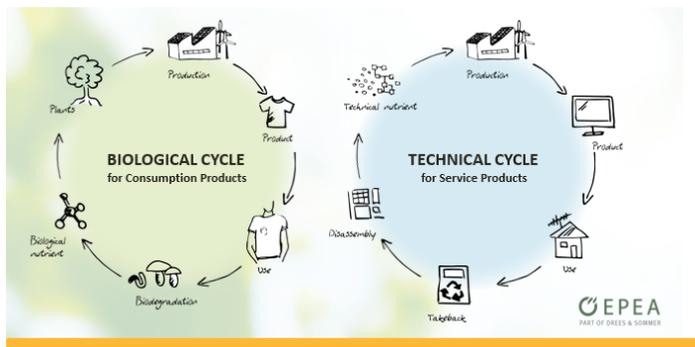
Global Conference  
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## Past Conferences

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# 18<sup>th</sup> GCSM Contents

The Technical University of Berlin and Fraunhofer IPK would be happy to welcome you on our 18th Global Conference on Sustainable Manufacturing (GCSM).

The GCSM serves as a global forum for academics, researchers, and specialists from universities, research institutes and industry across the globe, working on topics related to sustainable manufacturing. A unique feature of the GCSM conference series is its integration of industrial engineering perspectives, sustainable manufacturing applications in emerging and developing countries, as well as education and workforce development for advancing sustainable manufacturing.

Sustainable Manufacturing is buzzwords for our annual global conference, since 2003 and now for the third time in 18 years in Berlin. The conference aims to exploit manufacturing engineering potentials for bridging the gap between awareness on sustainability challenges and means to systematically and concretely cope with them.

How to cope with the challenges of global sustainability becomes a more and more urgent task, once the awareness about imbalanced wealth distribution, climate crisis and lack of holistic responsibility in investments are considerably increasing. Interdisciplinary discourse and reasonable action in learning and teaching on themes such as circular technology and economy, distribution of labor for comprehensive human development, exploiting natural resources with care and circumspection are responsibilities of global citizens.

We look forward to meet you in Berlin for the 18th GCSM!

Best regards,  
Günther Seliger and Holger Kohl

## Deadlines

Abstract submission	March 16, 2020
Abstract notification	March 23, 2020
Full paper submission	May 8, 2020
Full paper notification	July 3, 2020
Final manuscript submission	July 17, 2020

## Registration fees

Early bird	€ 600	On or before July 31, 2020
Regular	€ 650	On or before August 31, 2020
On-site	€ 700	After August 31, 2020

Master/Bachelor student fee:

€ 250	Before July 31, 2020
€ 300	Before July 31, 2020

## Publication

All accepted papers will be published as open access in *Procedia Manufacturing* ([www.journals.elsevier.com/procedia-manufacturing](http://www.journals.elsevier.com/procedia-manufacturing)).

## Topics

### Sustainable Products

- Product (re)design for circular economy
- Product recovery, reuse and remanufacturing
- Product life cycle, information and knowledge management
- Product service systems

### Sustainable Manufacturing Processes

- Manufacturing processes, tools and equipment
- Energy and resource efficiency
- Resource utilization and waste reduction
- Maintenance, service, repair and overhaul of manufacturing machines and equipment

### Sustainable Manufacturing Systems

- Manufacturing system design
- Production planning, scheduling and control
- Sustainable reconfigurable manufacturing systems
- Sustainable supply chains

### Crosscutting Topics in Sustainable Manufacturing

- Sustainable value creation
- Strategies and business models
- Industry 4.0 and sustainable manufacturing
- Metrics for sustainable manufacturing (product, process, systems)
- Education and workforce development
- Sustainable smart cities

