

AEMT Conference examines the Circular Economy and the opportunities for the repair and service sector

The Association of Electrical & Mechanical Trades (AEMT) Conference will focus on the opportunities for the service and repair sector, taking the Circular Economy into consideration. The event will take place later this year on Thursday, November 29th at the DoubleTree by Hilton Hotel in Coventry.

In January 2018, a Circular Economy Package was introduced by the EU to help businesses and consumers make the transition to a stronger and more resourceful economy. As it stands, the throw-away society we are transitioning from is not sustainable. The circular economy aims to 'minimise waste through reusing, repairing, refurbishing and recycling existing materials and products.'

The servicing and repair industry for electrical and mechanical equipment, which the AEMT represents, is primed to make the most of this economy.

A series of keynote talks at the AEMT conference will focus on how industry is looking for ways to keep equipment going as long as necessary, extract the maximum value whilst in use, then recover and regenerate products and materials at the end of each service life.

Speakers include the Copper Alliance, who promote the sustainable use of copper in industry. As the majority of rotating electrical equipment contains this popular metal, the Alliance will examine how the global demand for copper is increasing, and what can be done to manage the demand.

The AEMT will be looking at the reasons why a repair is a worthwhile consideration over replacement in terms of economic and environmental impact. They will also be looking at the upcoming international repair standard IEC 60034-23 and how service centres can prepare themselves to repair equipment to the standard.

Si2 partners are consultants specialising in leveraging clients' services to make the most of industrial markets. They will be speaking on the state-of-play of digital technology and how it will influence the service and repair industry, how the service industry's competitive space is changing, and how service providers can defend their business with technology.

Major motor manufacturer ABB will be attending to present on preventative maintenance and the impact of digitalisation on electromechanical drivetrains.

Breakout sessions and display stands will be available for visitors throughout the day. The conference will be followed by the AEMT Awards in the evening. For registration please visit the conference website at www.aemtconference.com.

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About the AEMT

The Association of Electrical and Mechanical Trades (AEMT) was founded in 1945. It is an International Association representing leading companies in the electrical and mechanical service and repair industry. Members manufacture, distribute, install, service, maintain, and repair, electric motors, drives, pumps, fans, gearboxes, generators, transformers, switchgear, and ancillary equipment. In addition to motor and pump service facilities, most members operate mechanical engineering workshops for metal fabrication and the repair and refurbishment of worn components. Others include panel building facilities and some carry out repairs to industrial electronic equipment. Associate Members are companies that supply products and services to Members.

Proceeding the publication of AEMT's and BEAMA's jointly produced first code of practice for The Repair and Overhaul of Electrical Equipment for use in Potentially Explosive Atmospheres, which was adopted as the initial IEC 60079-19 international standard. The association has put together a selection of Training modules covering the Theory and Practical nature to ATEX and IECEx equipment repair. The modules are delivered as accredited training courses by expert teams across the globe.

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