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VDMA Fluid Power – We care about our Members

We are an industry-related service provider for manufacturers of hydraulics, pneumatics and sealing technology. With more than 230 member companies we represent approximately 90 % of the German market. Our main focus is on market information and economic data, trade fairs, technology and standardization as well as research and innovation. Together with our members, we shape topics such as digitalization, energy efficiency and sustainability.

The Fluid Power Association is integrated in the VDMA, the largest network organisation and the most important voice of the mechanical engineering industry in Europe with around 3,600 member companies. Through the trade associations and regional as well as foreign subsidiaries, we arrange contacts and provide information on the main customer groups. The VDMA departments provide support on topics such as foreign trade, business advisory, economics, law, taxes, environment as well as education.





Exclusive Services for our Members

Market Information

- We compile a spectrum of national and international market data for our members that is tailored to the interests of the industrial sector:
 - Statistics on incoming orders and turnover
 - Leading indicators and forecasts
 - Information on customer industries and regions
- We discuss current topics with our members at national and international meetings:
 - Economic committee
 - Working groups for hydraulics, pneumatics and sealing technologies
 - International Fluid Power Summit Meeting
 - Management Meetings in China and India
- We support our members with information about foreign markets:
 - VDMA offices in Brazil, China, India, Japan and the U.S.A.
 - CETOP European Fluid Power Committee

Trade Fairs

- We support the Hannover Messe as an idealistic partner, organise joint exhibition stands, forums and special events in Germany and abroad:
 - HANNOVER MESSE
 - "Systems & Components" within AGRITECHNICA
 - bauma
 - PTC ASIA, Shanghai, and WIN AUTOMATION, Istanbul
- We discuss current fair topics in the working group Marketing and Fairs.

Technics and Standardization

- We represent the interests of the fluid power industry and advocate practical regulations in legislative procedures, e.g. with respect to PFAS.
- We interpret European directives or regulations and support our members in applying them, for example:
 - Machinery Directive
 - Pressure Equipment Directive
 - Ecodesign Directive and
 - REACH
- Together with our members, we develop the basic principles for digitalization in fluid power and standardize interfaces for data exchange (Fluid 4.0).
- Together with our members we develop German, European and international standards, e.g. for energy efficiency of hydraulic and pneumatic systems: VDMA – DIN – CEN – ISO.

Joint Industrial Research

- In the Fluid Power Research Fund we take up industry-relevant topics and work on them together with universities and colleges within the framework of pre-competitive joint research.
- We are committed to the training and qualification of junior staff.
- We organise congresses for our members:
 - International Fluid Power Colloquium, IFK
 - International Sealing Conference, ISC
 - Colloquium Mobile Hydraulics



