



CONVERGE Europe Agenda Features Keynotes from Industry and Research

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Gaudi's heritage, rope-less elevators, and inspiring 3D printing applications; experience these and more ground breaking projects at CONVERGE 2017

Troy, Mich., September 21, 2017 – [solidThinking](#) has announced the agenda for the 2nd European CONVERGE in Essen, Germany on October 17th, 2017. Inspiring presentations from Zaha Hadid, Faraone, Stephan Henrich Robotikdesign und Architektur, Sagrada Família Foundation, Elise Alfred Wegner Institut, thyssenkrupp Elevators, PROTIQ, and TU Dresden will cover topics spanning from architecture to design and engineering. The Master Classes offered on the afternoon of October 17th will provide deeper insights on how to design for style, function and design for industrial 3D printing.

"Our 2nd European CONVERGE conference agenda offers many highlights," says Dr. Pietro Cervellera, Country Manager Altair Engineering GmbH. "With seven impressive presentations about architectural, design and engineering topics and the two master classes, attendees will get insights on innovative product design and development topics as well as how design and technology intersect to create the products of the future. I'm very much looking forward to the event and am certain that attendees will leave this event with new ideas, knowledge and inspiration for their future tasks."

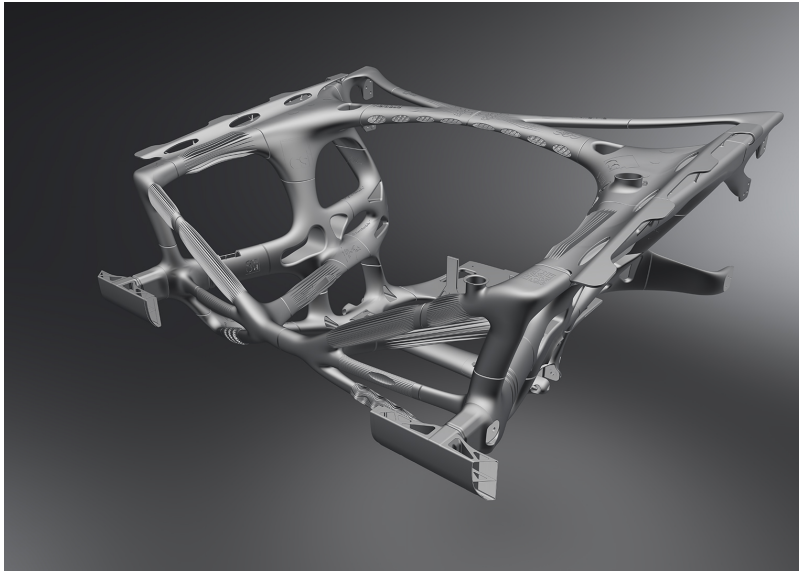
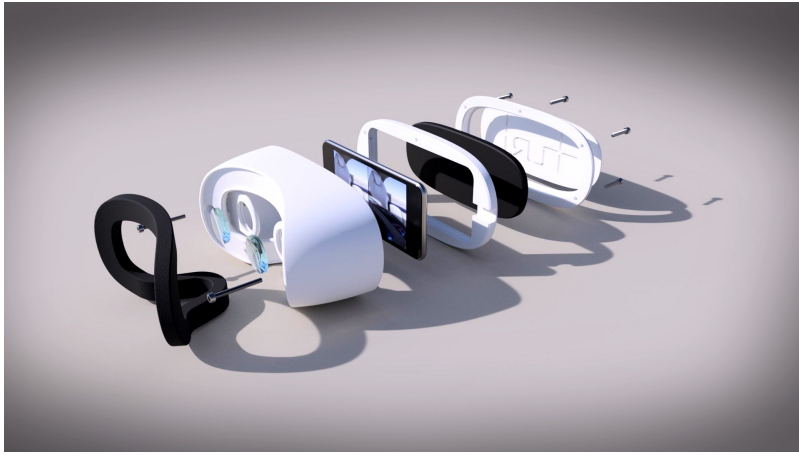
The event will open with a welcome reception and pre-check-in opportunity on October 16th at 6pm.

The first Master Class will be hosted by Turi Cacciatore of [Turi Cacciatore Design](#), a renowned design company working for several international customers from all industries. The master class will explore a design project at the intersection of virtual reality and 3D printing, providing a step-by-step explanation of the development process that allows the creation of a 3D printed, fully customizable, virtual reality headset based on mobile technology. The project workflow covers both design and 3D modeling techniques up to the creation of fully functioning prototypes.

The second Master Class will be jointly presented by csi entwicklungstechnik and APWORKS. This Master Class will show how to leverage the potential of modern manufacturing methods with the application of new development tools and techniques. Going beyond the structural mechanics and lightweight design considerations it is crucial to identify economic solutions that can create profiting business cases with additive manufacturing. The highlight of this Master Class will be the presentation and "Making-of" workshop of the [3i-PRINT project](#), a joint project of csi entwicklungstechnik, Altair, APWorks, EOS, Gerg, and Heraeus, that demonstrates the potential of metal 3D printed, function integrating and crash approved structures for the automotive industry. CONVERGE 2017 will also feature an exhibition area, presenting products and designs from customers and renowned product creators and will support the [Purmundus Challenge](#). "Fusion – 3D printing intelligently combined".

The conference will draw to an end with a presentation by **Sagrada Família Foundation** followed by closing remarks by Jeff Brennan, Chief Marketing Officer, Altair.

Registration is open now, further details about the event are available at: www.event.CONVERGE2017.com/europe.



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