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Formnext + PM South China to be rescheduled in 2023

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In view of local prevention measures in place to address an upswing of cases in China, Formnext + PM South China organisers have decided to defer the fair. Originally scheduled to open on 20 December 2022, the fair will take place in autumn 2023 at the Shenzhen World Exhibition and Convention Center. The exact dates will be announced in due course.

A primary reason for rescheduling the fair to 2023 was the wellbeing of participants travelling to Formnext + PM South China, given the pandemic's status evolving across the country. In this decision, the organisers remain focused on creating a favourable environment for in-person business encounters that stimulate the trade and sustainable development of the additive manufacturing, powder metallurgy and advanced ceramics sectors in South China. With key stakeholders and exhibitors voicing their support of the postponement, the organisers are now turning their attention towards confirming a new timeslot in 2023.

Formnext + PM South China is a leading event for manufacturing in China, covering advanced technology and equipment categories, including additive manufacturing, powder metallurgy and advanced ceramics-related materials, designs, software and processing technologies. Jointly organised by Guangzhou Guangya Messe Frankfurt and Uniris Exhibition Shanghai Co Ltd, the 2021 fair attracted 199 renowned brands showcasing their latest products and solutions and 9,330 visitors to participate. Additionally, a series of concurrent events were held with industry experts present to exchange ideas and introduce new technologies.

Formnext + PM South China forms a part of a series of international events including:

- **Asiamold:** 1 – 3 March 2023, Guangzhou, China
- **Formnext Forum Tokyo:** 28 – 29 September 2023, Tokyo, Japan
- **Formnext:** 7 – 10 November 2023, Frankfurt, Germany

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Background information on Messe Frankfurt

The Messe Frankfurt Group is one of the world's leading trade fair, congress and event organisers with their own exhibition grounds. With a workforce of some 2,200 people at its headquarters in Frankfurt am Main and in 28 subsidiaries, it organises events around the world. As in the previous year, annual sales for 2021 were significantly lower owing to the COVID-19 pandemic: approximately €154 million compared with Group sales as high as €736 million in pre-pandemic 2019. We serve our customers' business interests efficiently within the framework of our Fairs & Events, Locations and Services business fields. Sustainable business practices are a central pillar of our corporate strategy and strike a healthy balance between ecological and economic interests, social responsibility and diversity. Another of Messe Frankfurt's strengths is its powerful and closely knit global sales network, which covers around 180 countries in all regions of the world. Our comprehensive range of services – both onsite and online – ensures that customers worldwide enjoy consistently high quality and flexibility when planning, organising and running their events. We are using our digital expertise to develop new business models. The wide range of services includes renting exhibition grounds, trade fair construction and marketing, personnel and food services. With its headquarters in Frankfurt am Main, the company is owned by the City of Frankfurt (60 percent) and the State of Hesse (40 percent).

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Background Information on Uniris Exhibition Shanghai Co Ltd

Uniris Exhibition Shanghai Co Ltd is the first organisation to hold professional exhibitions and conferences for powder metallurgy and advanced ceramics in China. For years, it has focused on the exploration of the power metallurgy and advanced ceramics industry and market analysis, and spent over 10 years cultivating exhibitions and accumulating customer.