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# 10<sup>TH</sup> EUROPEAN LEAN EDUCATOR CONFERENCE LEAN PRACTICE FOR A BETTER FUTURE

Wed. September 25 – Fri. September 27, 2024  
Chemnitz, Germany | In-Person

## OBJECTIVES AND SCOPE

– Sharing Lean management and operations improvement practices across academia and industry –

The 10th European Lean Educators Conference brings together leading experts on Lean and any approach related to making things better, and potentially cheaper. It is dedicated to fostering knowledge exchange within academia as well as between academic institutions and industry, which we believe is especially important given current global contexts. As such, ELEC 2024 provides a platform for professors, teachers, trainers and coaches from academia, industry and public sector organizations to share their knowledge and experiences and learn from one another. ELEC conferences distinguish Lean thinking as a broad management and operations improvement philosophy, fully grounded in science and supported by a continually growing set of methods, techniques and tools.

## CONFERENCE TOPICS

Topics of interest include, but are not limited to the following. These topics just provide a broad indication. We are specifically interested in new insights from practice that go beyond established keywords, concepts and practices.

### Lean & Digital

- Digital Lean Manufacturing
- Lean digital transformations
- Lean automation

### Lean Techniques

- Agile / Scrum
- Lean supplier development
- Action research and learning

### Lean Leadership

- Lean coaching
- Lean sensei
- Lean transformations

### Teaching & Learning Lean

- Lean education
- Blended learning
- Lean games

### Lean as a concept

- Lean programs
- Lean theory (if any)
- The history of Lean

### Beyond Lean

- The future of Lean
- Lean and other concepts



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## HOW TO PARTICIPATE?

### PRESENTATION IDEA

If you consider that you have something that needs to be shared, please put together a short abstract of your presentation idea and send it to [elec@mb.tu-chemnitz.de](mailto:elec@mb.tu-chemnitz.de) as a manifestation of interest. Submission should also include your name and any other information you consider relevant (such as affiliation, company – if you have any).

### HANDS-ON WORKSHOPS

There will be several workshops using the capabilities of the Experimental and Digital Factory (EDF) at the Chair of Factory Planning and Intralogistics. Registration for these workshops is required as places are limited. More information can be found on the conference website. If you want to **organize a workshop yourself**, please contact [elec@mb.tu-chemnitz.de](mailto:elec@mb.tu-chemnitz.de).

### RESEARCH WORKSHOPS

ELEC seeks to bridge the gap between practice and research. Interested **researchers can submit papers (or paper drafts) instead of abstracts**. These will be considered for paper development workshops and specific sessions. Guidance will be provided from members of editorial boards from leading international journals, fellow researchers, and practitioners. After ELEC, papers are free for submission elsewhere. Please indicate in your submission if you want to be included in this kind of workshop/session.

## REGISTRATIONS



Early-bird registration – before or on 15.07.2024 –	Regular registration – after 15.07.2024 –
Regular €400	Regular €500
Guest (only social events, there will be a special social event for guests on the first day) €200	Guest (only social events) €200

The registration fee includes conference participation, welcome reception, receptions, lunches, and industry tour. Places for the industry tour are however limited. Registration opens on the **conference website** in March.

## KEY DATES



**Submission of presentation idea:**  
March 29, 2024

**Notification of acceptance:**  
May 3, 2024



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## VENUE & ACCOMODATION

ELEC 2024 will take place in **Chemnitz (Germany)**, which will be **European Capital of Culture 2025**. Chemnitz and Zwickau form the center of West Saxony. Several centuries of history in mechanical engineering characterize the region, which has become the leading European region for the production of battery-electric cars in 2020, while the historical textile industry has shifted it's focus to technical textiles and sustainable solutions in cooperation with the lightweight industry. The conference venue is the Erfenschlager Campus. It is located 25 minutes from Chemnitz main train station, which provides easy connections to Berlin, Leipzig or Dresden airport, and the city center with several hotels and plenty of bars, restaurants etc.

## HOST ORGANIZATIONS



The **Chair of Factory Planning and Intralogistics at Chemnitz University of Technology** focusses on the operation of holistic production and service systems. It has strong expertise in modeling and simulation, the design, implementation and operationalization of flexible, integrated production and logistic system solutions as well as in data acquisition and analysis for process monitoring and system diagnostics. Co-organizing industry relevant events, and working closely with industry, the chair focusses on theory driven practice-oriented research that matters. This is also reflected in our cutting-edge research that is published in leading international journals and our teaching, which focusses on preparing students for their future challenges in practice through a strong focus on process thinking and problem-solving skills.



The **CETPM is an institute at Ansbach University of Applied Sciences**. It offers professionals and executives the opportunity to enhance their skills and undergo personal development through a comprehensive range of seminars, courses with university certification, workshops, and networking events. The areas of expertise include Operational Excellence, Lean Management, TPM / Maintenance, Quality & Six Sigma, as well as leadership skills and personal development. The CETPM provides unique learning environments with its teaching factories and teaching offices. Using real processes, participants can directly apply the methods and tools taught and experience the effects firsthand. With on-site support, CETPM assists companies in achieving their desired outcomes. Books from the "Deutscher Management Verlag" and numerous practical aids complement the offerings.



**AllAboutLean.com** is a comprehensive resource dedicated to lean manufacturing, lean management, and manufacturing history. The blog is written by Prof. Dr. Christoph Roser, a seasoned industry expert with over two decades of experience. It encompasses a wealth of information on lean tools, methodologies, and concepts such as Kanban, Just-in-Time, and the Toyota Production System. The content is a mix of in-depth articles, case studies, and practical tips, aimed at improving production efficiency and business processes. It serves as an educational platform for students, professionals, and anyone interested in operational excellence, providing valuable insights to streamline workflows and enhance productivity in manufacturing environments.



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## CONFERENCE SCHEDULE

**25**

SEPTEMBER

- Industry Tours
- Welcome Reception

**26**

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- Opening Sessions
- Keynote Speech
- Workshops & Discussions
- Reception

**27**

SEPTEMBER

- Parallel Sessions
- Workshops

## CONTACT



### Conference Co-Chairs

- Matthias Thürer
- Constantin May
- Christoph Roser

### Conference Secretariat

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### Conference Website

[www.lean-educator.eu](http://www.lean-educator.eu)