



International Committee of the Decorative Laminates Industry

Knowledge transfer and networking

EUROPEAN HPL SUMMIT brings the industry together

Frankfurt am Main, 19/7/2024. Every year, the EUROPEAN HPL SUMMIT is the meeting place for over 70 industry experts and decision-makers from the European HPL industry. The industry event offers a platform for exchanging information on the latest trends and developments for HPL manufacturers, representatives of the supply chain and industry experts from all over Europe. In addition to high-caliber lectures, discussions and case studies, the focus is also on networking in order to make valuable contacts and deepen existing relationships.

This year, the EUROPEAN HPL SUMMIT will take place on October 23-25 in Porto / Portugal. At the event, participants can expect a two-day, varied conference program with the main topics of "market development", "design and trends" and "environment and sustainability". The extensive lecture program can be found on the ICDLI website ([link to the program](#)). "Our HPL SUMMIT is the key industry event of the HPL world. If you are looking for the latest trends from the world of wood-based materials and current industry figures and developments, then Porto in October is the place to be.", says Sven Weihe, ICDLI General secretary.

Highly international speakers

On stage, the association welcomes Oliver Balch, a British author and freelance writer at Reuters, The Guardian and Financial Times who specializes in business and international affairs. In a keynote, he will speak about the sustainability challenge for the European economy. This will be followed by the two Human Resources experts Joana Castro Pereira (Peppermint) and Elvira Cardoso (Soul Temple), who will look at the opportunities and challenges of cross-generational workforces. The second day of program begins with a lecture on „International Economics and Trade with a focus on Southern Europe“. Rui Henrique Alves, FEP – School of Economics and Management – University of Porto, has been invited to speak. He is currently at the Permanent Representation of Portugal to the European Union, as the Head of the ECOFIN Unit (“Núcleo de Economia e Finanças”) and Financial Counselor. Further lectures are planned on the topics of “Design language of the future”, “Modular construction” and “The impact of business investments on the HPL market”.

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About the ICDLI

The ICDLI International Committee of the Decorative Laminates Industry is the association of European HPL manufacturers and their suppliers. It is the European voice of the HPL industry and an important interface to the media, politics, society and science.

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