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Pre-Summit Day: 20th April 2026
Summit Day: 21st April 2026

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An exclusive, invitation-only gathering for senior Procurement and Supply Chain executives to share high-level perspectives and navigate an increasingly complex global environment defined by volatility, disruption and emerging opportunity.

This year's program will focus on:

- Geopolitics & Global Trade
- Building Strategic Resilience
- Data-Driven Decision Intelligence
- Practical, Impactful AI
- Evolving Procurement Operating Models
- Leadership, Culture & Organizational Agility



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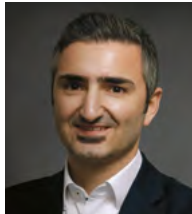
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Pre-Summit Day

Monday, 20th April 2026 | 16:00 – 23:00

PARALLEL WORKSHOPS

Choose your Workshop to dig deeper into a topic of your choice

16:00 – 18:00

Workshop 1

Room Paris

Duration 120 Minutes

From Design to Source: Making Direct Procurement Strategic

- Design-to-Source: BOM collaboration across Procurement, R&D, Engineering and Quality driving premium outcomes at optimal cost
- Strategic Sourcing : Patented Samsung AI Use Cases managing your most complex direct sourcing use cases
- Real Customer Use Cases : How leading manufacturing customers improved profit margins and time-to-market

Naomi Oiknin, Senior Solution Consultant, Samsung SDS

Ulrich Bosch, Senior Solution Consultant, Samsung SDS

Ben Grudda, Head of SRM Business, Samsung SDS

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Workshop 2

Room Madrid

Duration 120 Minutes

From Data to Value How Connected Planning & Agentic AI Turn Volatility into Competitive Advantage

- Turning demand volatility into capital-efficient procurement decisions
- Making service level a board-level strategic lever: Reducing inventory by 15–30% while improving availability
- Eliminating the hidden cost of poor master data: Achieving "First-Time-Right" supplier and product data through Agentic AI
- Connecting Sales, Procurement and Supply Chain in one integrated performance model

Mieke Grashuis, Customer Success Manager, Slimstock

Oliver Kahrs, Supply Chain Optimisation Expert, Slimstock

Elco Wever, Managing Director, Slimstock

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Workshop 3

Room London

Duration 120 Minutes

Creating sustainable savings driven by procurement:

- Why different approaches are essential – across industries and for different commodities
- Ensure you address the right success factors – suited best for your major categories
- Leveraging AI to address the right categories and levers – improving future performance

Martin Göttert, Principal, TARGUS Management Consulting AG

Dr. Matthias Heinicke, Principal, TARGUS Management Consulting AG

Frank Welge, Partner, TARGUS Management Consulting AG

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19:00

EVENING RECEPTION AT MARRIOTT HOTEL, BERLIN, GERMANY OPENING ADDRESS

Dr. Lars Kleeberg, Chief Executive Officer, Association for Supply Chain Management, Procurement and Logistics, (BME)

WELCOME SPEECH

Dr. Lukas Biedermann, COO & Founder, SPARETECH GmbH

Host of the evening event  **SPARETECH**

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08:30 DEEP DIVES

08:30	Deep Dive 1 Room Paris Supplier Collaboration Challenges in Automating Outsourced Supply Chains Dr. Florian Kaesen, Director Value Chain Integration, Intel Germany	Deep Dive 2 Room Zürich 3 Stable material supply in volatile times – automated processes vs. manual allocation expertise Sebastian Engl, Head of Corporate Procurement Business Development, KRONES AG	Deep Dive 3 Room Madrid Panel Diskussion Europe's Raw-Material Challenge: A Multi-Sector View Moderation: Lisa Immensack, BME e.V. Jean-Philippe COLLIN, CNA Board Member, Former Valeo-PSA-Sanofi CPO Tim Schmidt, German Mining & Resources Network, DIHK DEinternational GmbH	Deep Dive 4 Room London Nurturing teams to Empower Change: Tech is not the key for success, People are Ana Dias, Chief Procurement Officer, Persan SA
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09:10 CHANGEOVER BREAK

09:20 **WELCOME SPEECH**
Dr. Lars Kleeberg, Chief Executive Officer,
Association for Supply Chain Management,
Procurement and Logistics, (BME)



09:25 **OPENING PLENARY**
Context-setting: the world is changing
Chairman Dr. Thomas Germer,
CPO,
ADAC SE



09:30 **EUROPE'S GEOECONOMIC BATTLE WITH GREAT POWERS**
Dr. Tobias Gehrke,
Senior Policy Fellow, Geoeconomics,
European Council on Foreign Relations

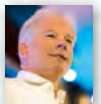


11:15 **ROUNDTABLE SESSIONS**
12:45 Join two discussion rounds of your choice. Each round lasts 40 minutes

09:50 **WHY PROCUREMENT MUST REDEFINE SUCCESS**
Ewald Raben,
CEO, Raben Group



10:10 **MULTI-TIER SUPPLY CHAIN MANAGEMENT IN AN ERA OF GEOPOLITICAL SHIFTS**
What it takes to build resilience – and finally sleep well
Dr. Arnd Hirschberg,
Senior Strategist, Siemens Energy



10:30 **NETWORKING BREAK**

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INTERACTIVE ROUNDTABLE 1 – 6

<p>11:15 – 11:55</p>	<p>ROUNDTABLE 1 Room Zürich 3 How to Leverage Legacy Tools and Human Intelligence to Get Started with Agentic Plan-to-Fulfillment</p> <p>Darren Lynch, VP Supply Chain and Procurement, GEP</p> 	<p>ROUNDTABLE 2 Room Zürich 2 Operational procurement excellence: leveraging digital solutions and AI @ Wacker Chemie</p> <p>Dr. Erk Thorsten Heyen, Senior VP Procurement & Logistics (CPO), Wacker Chemie AG Natalia Parmenova, Chief Revenue Officer, BeNeering GmbH</p> 	<p>ROUNDTABLE 3 Room London Beyond Plastic: Digital Payment Integration as a Strategic Lever for Lean Procurement</p> <p>Renold Vasili, Director Business Development, Mastercard</p> 
	<p>ROUNDTABLE 4 Room Madrid Mastering Metrics: Orchestrating Procurement for Measurable Business Value</p> <p>Christopher Parsons, Senior Manager,ORO Labs</p> 	<p>ROUNDTABLE 5 Room Paris Beyond Automation: Building a Strategic Procurement Roadmap with AI Agents</p> <p>Monika Mutscher, Customer Account Manager – EMEA, Zycus</p> 	

11:55 **CHANGEOVER BREAK**

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INTERACTIVE ROUNDTABLE 7 – 12

12:05
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12:45

ROUNDTABLE 7 Room Zürich 3
End-to-End Value Sourcing: Redefining Direct Procurement for the Next Decade at Flender

Yannick Weibring,
Procurement Functional Excellence,
Flender GmbH



ROUNDTABLE 8 Room Zürich 2
Turning Data Silos into Strategic Insight. Bertelsmann's IT Spend Cube Approach

Sebastian Michel-Wildner,
Senior Director Group IT Sourcing,
Bertelsmann
Rasa Raoufi,
Co-founder,
Mithra Ai



ROUNDTABLE 9 Room Paris
Untangling Complexity: How MRO Transparency Drives Operational Resilience

Dr. Lukas Biedermann,
COO & Founder,
SPARETECH GmbH



ROUNDTABLE 10 Room Madrid
Leverage Is Won or Lost at Component Selection – Across Cost, Supply and Speed

Varun Narayanan,
Vice President, Business Transformation,
Lytica Inc.



ROUNDTABLE 11 Room London
From Scope 3 Data to Real Impact: Driving decarbonization across complex supply chains

Stephanie Herre,
Sales Manager,
Ecovadis



ROUNDTABLE 12 Room Zürich 1
ERP, Agents, Suite - What's the 2026 Target Architecture? And What About the Buyers?

Tim Geyer,
Co-Founder,
Zalio GmbH
Alex Morbe, Co-Founder,
Zalio GmbH



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12:45 **LUNCH BREAK**

14:15 **MIDDAY PLENARY**
Capacity-Building: How We Transform
Chairman Dr. Thomas Germer,
CPO, ADAC SE

14:15 **TRANSFORM TO PERFORM: WHAT DOES IT MEAN FOR PROCUREMENT IN A DIGITALIZED WORLD**
Samuel Cochon,
Chief Procurement Officer, MANN+HUMMEL GmbH

14:35 **BUILDING A MODERN PROCUREMENT ORGANISATION FIT FOR THE FUTURE**
Görkan Ülker,
Procurement Director, Body, Chassis, and Aftermarket, Jaguar Land Rover

14:55 **HOW PROCUREMENT CAN HELP TO MAINTAIN COMPETITIVENESS IN EUROPE IN VIEW OF RISING ENERGY & CARBON COST**
Dr. Erk Thorsten Heyen, Senior VP Procurement & Logistics (CPO), Wacker Chemie AG

15:15 **CHANGEOVER BREAK**

15:25 **Deep Dive 7** Room Zürich 2
Leading from the Front – Shaping a Culture for a Future-Facing Procurement Function
Görkan Ülker,
Procurement Director, Body, Chassis, and Aftermarket, Jaguar Land Rover

Deep Dive 8 Room Madrid
Challenges in defense ramp up – From engineering with prototyping to serial business
Tim Teubler,
CPO,
Thales Deutschland

15:25 **Deep Dive 9** Room Zürich 3
From M&A to Procurement Excellence
Anja Vinz,
Global Head of Procurement Excellence, Novonesis

Deep Dive 10 Room Paris
Navigating the Next Wave: From Linear Cost-Centric Models to Resilient, Sustainable & Collaborative Ecosystems
Dr. Thomas Schamberg,
Global Head of Supply Chain Management, BYK-Chemie GmbH

Deep Dive 11 Room London
From Disruptions to Decisions: A Data-Driven Path to Supply Resilience
Emmanuelle Piketty,
Group Director Procurement, CPO, Vaillant Group



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16:05 NETWORKING BREAK



CLOSING PLENARY

Organization-building: how we lead & compete long-term

Chairman Dr. Thomas Germer, CPO, ADAC SE



16:35 COMPETITIVE EDGE: OVERCOMING COST CHALLENGES TO ENABLE SUCCESSFUL FUTURE POSITIONING

Lutz Berg, Executive Vice President, Head of Global Purchasing, BSH Hausgeräte GmbH



16:55 FROM FULFILMENT TO CUSTOMER EXPERIENCE: BUILDING TRUST IN SUPPLY CHAINS WITH DATA AND FORESIGHT

Saulo Spaolanse, Global SVP, Customer Experience, Global Supply Chain, Schneider Electric



17:15 THE TRANSFORMATION OF BAYER'S PROCUREMENT FUNCTION AND LEADERSHIP MODEL

David Buhmann, CPO, Bayer Pharmaceuticals

Florian Vollmer, Head of Procurement Sustainability & Risk Management, Bayer



17:35 CLOSING REMARKS

Chairman Dr. Thomas Germer, CPO, ADAC SE

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When	Exclusive pre-event workshops and get-together at Berlin Marriott Hotel, Berlin, Germany Monday, 20th April 2026 Full - day Summit Tuesday, 21st April 2026
Where	Berlin Marriott Hotel Inge-Beisheim-Platz 1 10785 Berlin, Germany Phone: +49 30 220000 Web: https://www.marriott.com/de/hotels/ bermc-berlin-marriott-hotel/overview/ Room contingent: €199.00 per night, including break- fast (plus Berlin overnight tax of 7.5%), available until 10 March 2026. Please make your own reservation using the keyword BME e.V.
Who	Chief Procurement Officers, Chief Supply Chain Officer, Procurement & Supply Chain Top Executives (SVPs & VPs), Directors Strategic Procurement, Heads of SCM/ Global Sourcing
Host	BME e.V. The Association for Supply Chain Management, Procurement and Logistics (BME)
Fee*	Free admission Delegates are admitted only on personal invitation by BME

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