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EUROPEAN PROCUREMENT & SUPPLY CHAIN EXCELLENCE SUMMIT

Marriott Hotel, Berlin, Germany
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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David Buhmann,
CPO,
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Samuel Cochon,
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Ana Dias,
Chief Procurement Officer,
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Sebastian Engl,
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Dr. Tobias Gehrke,
Senior Policy Fellow,
Goeconomics, European Council
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Dr. Thomas Germer,
CPO,
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Dr. Erk Thorsten Heyen,
Senior VP Procurement &
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Wacker Chemie AG



Dr. Arnd Hirschberg,
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Dr. Florian Kaesen,
Director Value Chain Integration,
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Dr. Lars Kleeberg,

Chief Executive Officer, Association
for Supply Chain Management,
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Emmanuelle Piketty,

Group Director Procurement /
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Bayer



Mirjam Zeller,

Geschäftsführerin,
BME Marketing GmbH

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

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

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

Oliver Kahrs, Supply Chain Optimisation Expert, Slimstock

Eelco Wever, Managing Director, Slimstock

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Workshop 3

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

Frank Welge, Partner, TARGUS Management Consulting AG

Marcel Urban, 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

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08:30 DEEP DIVES

08:30

Deep Dive 1

Supplier Collaboration Challenges in Automating Outsourced Supply Chains

Dr. Florian Kaesen,
Director Value Chain Integration,
Intel Germany

Deep Dive 2

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

Panel Diskussion Europe's Raw-Material Challenge: A Multi-Sector View

Hugo Eloi Alves,
Chief Procurement Officer,
Secil Group
Jean-Philippe COLLIN,
CNA Board Member, Former
Valeo-PSA-Sanofi CPO

Deep Dive 4

Opening the door to Supply Chain Transformation

Danny van der Ster,
VP & Head of Logistics EMEIA, ASSA ABLOY
Opening Solutions EMEIA

Deep Dive 5

Nurturing teams to Empower Change: Tech is not the key for success, People are

Ana Dias,
Chief Procurement Officer,
Persan SA

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

Dr. Thomas Germer,
CPO,
ADAC SE



09:30 EUROPE'S GEOECONOMIC BATTLE WITH GREAT POWERS

Dr. Tobias Gehrke,
Senior Policy Fellow, Goeconomics,
European Council on Foreign Relations



11:15 12:45 ROUNDTABLE SESSIONS

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,
CPO Siemens Energy Transformation of Industry



10:30 NETWORKING BREAK

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INTERACTIVE ROUNDTABLE 1 – 6

<p>11:15 – 11:55</p>	<p>ROUNDTABLE 1 Darren Lynch, VP Supply Chain and Procurement, GEP</p> 	<p>ROUNDTABLE 2</p> 	<p>ROUNDTABLE 3 Beyond Plastic: Digital Payment Integration as a Strategic Lever for Lean Procurement Renold Vasili, Director Business Development, Mastercard</p> 
	<p>ROUNDTABLE 4</p> 	<p>ROUNDTABLE 5 Beyond Automation: Building a Strategic Procurement Roadmap with AI Agents Monika Mutscher, Regional Sales Manager, Zycus</p> 	

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12:05 **CHANGEOVER BREAK**

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INTERACTIVE ROUNDTABLE 7 – 12

12:05
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12:45

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

Yannick Weibring,
Procurement Functional Excellence, Flender GmbH



ROUNDTABLE 8
Garbage In, Missed Value Out: The Indirect Data Gap Holding Back Procurement Performance



ROUNDTABLE 9
Untangling Complexity: How MRO Transparency Drives Operational Resilience

Dr. Lukas Biedermann,
COO & Founder, SPARETECH GmbH



ROUNDTABLE 10



ROUNDTABLE 11



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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 FUTUREE**
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**
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
Challenges in defense ramp up – From engineering with prototyping to serial business
Tim Teubler,
CPO,
Thales Deutschland

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

Deep Dive 10
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
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

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**
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