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THE SPANISH ASSOCIATION OF ADDITIVE AND 3D MANUFACTURING TECHNOLOGIES, ADDIMAT MANAGES TO BRING ON BOARD 60 COMPANIES IN THREE MONTHS

- *The AFM General Meeting to be held on 17 April will also offer a complete vision of Additive Manufacturing and 3D Printing.*
- *The association coordinates an exhibition area on additive manufacturing at the Subcontracting Fair that will be held in Bilbao from 26 to 29 May.*
- *Members of ADDIMAT will meet at its GENERAL MEETING on 28 May in BEC*
- *The Machines-tool Congress organised by AFM in San Sebastian from 10 to 12 June will hold a special session dedicated to the world of additive manufacturing technologies.*

Since it was founded on 17 December last year, the Spanish Association of Additive Manufacturing and 3D Technologies, ADDIMAT, has managed to bring sixty companies on board. In just three months, the main players of this scenario, which opens new horizons for the industrial activity, have requested to form part of this initiative. They include equipment manufacturers, suppliers of components, consumables and accessories, companies engaged in the design and/or manufacture of 3D parts, dealers, technology centres and training centres.

The new association run by AFM has promoted, together with BEC, the creation of a special exhibition area dedicated to additive manufacturing at the Subcontracting Fair in Bilbao, a reference fair for subcontractor SMEs, which will be held for the 17th time from 26th to 29th May, coinciding with FITMAQ, FERROFORMA, MAINTENANCE and PUMPS & VALVES. The companies, Análisis y Simulación, Asorcad, Astedeco, IK4, Leartiker-Mymat Mizar, Pixel Sistemas, Renishaw, RMS, Sariki, Sicnova, Tecnalía, Tumaker, UPV as well as ADDIMAT itself will be present. Parallel to the fair, on the 27th there will be a conference on additive manufacturing with speakers from companies that exhibit in the additive manufacturing area.

The first General Meeting of ADDIMAT will be held in BEC (Bilbao Exhibition Centre) on Thursday, 28th May. The Governing Bodies (President and Board) of the Association will be set up, establishing objectives by sectors for the coming years and defining the services to be provided by ADDIMAT.

The twentieth Congress of Machines-Tool and Manufacturing Technologies that AFM has been organising since 1976 will hold a special session given over to additive manufacturing and the enormous possibilities of its application to industry.

On the other hand, the AFM General Meeting, to be held on 17th April next, will address “Additive manufacturing and 3D printing” in its presentation, with the presence of Aitziber Eizagirre from Tumaker, Aitzol Lamikiz from UPV/EHU, David Sánchez from Tecnalia and Javier Laucirica from IK4.

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ABOUT AFM

AFM, ADVANCED MANUFACTURING TECHNOLOGIES, THE SPANISH ASSOCIATION OF MANUFACTURERS OF MACHINE TOOLS, ACCESSORIES, PARTS AND TOOLS, REPRESENTS 90% OF MACHINE TOOL AND ADVANCED MANUFACTURING TECHNOLOGY COMPANIES IN SPAIN.

AFM, based in San Sebastian and with an office in China (Tianjin), works to promote internationalisation and, through its INVEMA (Foundation for Machine Tool Research) technology unit, the technological innovation of its member companies.

AFM, Advanced Manufacturing Technologies, is a member of both CECIMO and ECTA, the European associations of machine tool and cutting tool manufacturers.