



**GMP Forum**  
20 – 21 June 2023

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**Barcelona, Spain**

## Speakers of the GMP & GDP Forum

**Ib Alstrup** | GxP IT Medicines Inspector with the Danish Medicines Agency, DMA, Denmark

**Peter Flury** | CSL Behring, Switzerland

**Ralf Gengenbach** | Gempex, Germany

**Dr Rainer Gnibl** | GMP Inspector, District Government of Upper Bavaria, Germany

**Thomas Højsholm Schmidt** | CSL Behring, Switzerland

**Dr Afshin Hosseiny** | Qualified Person, Chairman of the ECA Advisory Board, UK

**Alfred Hunt** | European GDP Association Chairman, Ireland

**Saddam Huq** | GlaxoSmithKline, U.K.

**Dr Rainer Kahlich** | Local Government of Baden-Württemberg, Germany

**Dr Ulrich Kissel** | European QP Association, Switzerland

**Dr Bernd Renger** | Qualified Person, Immediate Past Chairman of the European QP Association, Germany

**Dr Uwe Rettig** | IDT Biologika, Germany

**Dr Peer Schmidt** | AbbVie Deutschland, Germany

**Dr Torsten Schmidt-Bader** | moveproTEC compliance advisory, Germany

**Dr Thomas Schneppe** | Bayer Bitterfeld, Germany

**Dr Wolfgang Schumacher** | Chairman of ECA's IT Compliance Group, Switzerland

**Dr Frank Seibel** | Roche Diagnostics, Germany

**Lance Smallshaw** | UCB Biopharma, Belgium

**Dr Ingrid Walther** | Pharma Consulting Walther, Germany

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# GMP & GDP Forum

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## Welcome

Dear Colleagues,

I would like to invite you to the European GMP & GDP Forum from 20 – 22 June 2023 in Barcelona, Spain.

Our ECA members are familiar with biannual conferences on GMP and GDP we have been running for several years. Since 2021 this unique Forum combines the European GMP Conference and the European GDP Forum. With this format by combining both GMP and GDP subjects, we have created a new opportunity for you to hear speakers from across the industry and authorities, and learn about the whole Pharma supply chain challenges.

And this year the Forum will be an on-site event that you can meet face-to-face.

We have dedicated day 1 to GMP, day 2 will be a combination of both GMP and GDP and the final day will be focussed on GDP topics only. This will allow you as a participant to take advantage of the event based on your personal needs and interest in the specific subject areas, you can now choose to attend the forum just for one of the three days, two days or all three days.

For our second Forum in June 2023 we have invited speakers from Regulatory Authorities and Pharmaceutical Industry to share and discuss with you the latest GMP & GDP developments.

I look forward to welcoming you to this event – on-site!

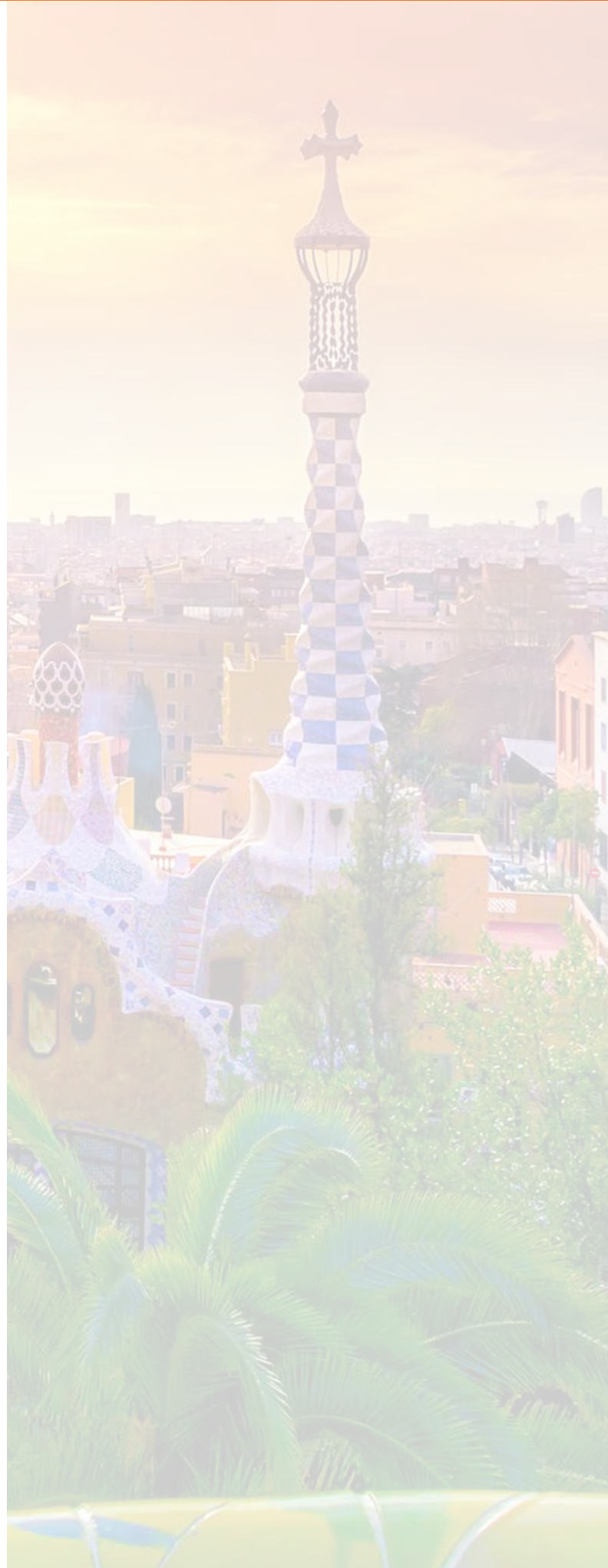
Yours sincerely,



Dr Afshin Hosseiny, Chairman of the ECA Advisory Board

## Target Audience

The conference is of particular interest for GMP experts of pharmaceutical companies (e.g. QA, QC, production, regulatory affairs), of GMP inspectorates and Regulatory Authorities. It is also of interest for all personnel involved in GDP – pharmaceutical storage, transportation, cold chain and distribution activities and the control of these activities.



# Speakers and Moderators



## **Ib Alstrup**

**GxP IT Medicines Inspector with the Danish Medicines Agency, DMA, Denmark**

Ib Alstrup is a GxP IT Medicines Inspector with the Danish Medicines Agency. With a background as a software designer and tester, he has specific focus and large experience in inspection of validation and operation of computerised systems throughout the GxP areas. He is a co-writer of the new PIC/S guide on Data Integrity and holds a B.Sc. in Electronic Engineering.



## **Peter Flury**

**CSL Behring AG, Switzerland**

Peter Flury has more than 35 years experience in the transportation logistics industry in numerous functions with manufacturers and logistics service providers. He is in the pharmaceutical industry since 2008 at CSL Behring and presently in the position as Senior Manager and Head Transportation Management EMEA.



## **Ralf Gengenbach**

**Gempex GmbH, Germany**

Ralf Gengenbach is founder and managing director of gempex Co. Ltd., Germany. He is member of different organisations, among others DIN UA2 (Board for standards 'biotechnology'), of DECHEMA and ISPE. He is approved Quality Auditor according to DIN ISO 9000ff. Ralf is currently the Head of ECA's Validation Group.



## **Dr Rainer Gniibl**

**GMP Inspector, District Government of Upper Bavaria, Germany**

Dr Rainer Gniibl is pharmacist and GMP Inspector for the District Government and the EMA and performs GMP inspections worldwide. Rainer Gniibl also holds a lecturership at the University Erlangen-Nürnberg.



## **Thomas Højsholm Schmidt**

**CSL Behring, Switzerland**

Thomas Højsholm Schmidt is Associated Director and Lead Auditor at CSL Behring AG in Switzerland. Before that, he was a GMP Lead Auditor at LEO Pharma A/S in Denmark for over 12 years. Thomas is member of ECA's Inspection Group.



## **Dr Afshin Hosseiny**

**Qualified Person, Chairman of the ECA Advisory Board, UK**

Afshin looks back to many years with Glaxo Smith Kline in the UK and is member of ECA's Executive Board.



## **Alfred Hunt**

**European GDP Association Chairman, UK**

Alfred Hunt is a consultant. From 2008 until 2015 he was an Inspector with the Health Products Regulatory Authority (HPRA), formerly the Irish Medicines Board (IMB). He was also key member of the European Medicines Agency (EMA) drafting group which developed the revised EU GDP Guidelines (2013/C 343/01).



## **Saddam Huq**

**GlaxoSmithKline, U.K**

Saddam Huq is Senior Manager Quality for Distribution & Cold Chain Management Vaccines, Quality Assurance Shared Services.



## **Dr Rainer Kahlich**

**Local Government of Baden-Württemberg, Germany**

Dr Rainer Kahlich is pharmacist and GMP/GDP Inspector for the Local Government and the EMA and performs GMP/GDP inspections worldwide.



## **Dr Ulrich Kissel**

**European QP Association, Switzerland**

Ulrich Kissel is Qualified Person and Chairman of the Board of Directors of the European Qualified Person Association (EQPA). Previous to his current role he held leadership positions in Quality and Supply Chain and served for many years as QP for Roche.



## **Dr Bernd Renger**

**Qualified Person, Immediate Past Chairman of the European QP Association, Germany**

Bernd worked for many years in the pharmaceutical industry and is Immediate Past Chairman of the European QP Association (EQPA).



## **Dr Uwe Rettig**

**Vice President Supply Chain at IDT Biologika GmbH, Germany**

Uwe Rettig has joined IDT 2011. With his current position as Head of Supply Chain Management Uwe Rettig is responsible for customer service, planning, and logistics and is in charge of the Sales- and Operations Planning Process (S&OP).



## **Dr Peer Schmidt**

**AbbVie Deutschland GmbH & Co. KG, Germany**

Peer Schmidt brings more than 20 years of experience in the development, manufacturing, registration and supervision of Medicinal Products, Medical Devices and Combination Products. As Director Global Quality Systems, he oversees the AbbVie Quality System Centers of Excellence. He also acts as EU Authorized Representative for AbbVie's Medical Devices. Dr Schmidt holds a Ph.D. in Molecular Biology and was previously the Head of Quality Assurance at Abbott Biotechnology Germany. He is a member of the ICH Q9 Revision 1 Expert Working Group.



## **Dr Torsten Schmidt-Bader**

**moveproTEC compliance advisory, Germany**

Dr Torsten Schmidt-Bader is Managing Director at moveproTEC and a GMP/GDP lead auditor and compliance advisor. Since 2010 he has been supporting the life science industries and pharma logistic providers with GDP implementation. For SGS ICS, he certified several providers against WHO and EU GDP standards.



**Dr Thomas Schneppe**

*Bayer Bitterfeld GmbH, Germany*

Thomas has more than 30 years GMP experience in Pharmaceutical Industry: Qualified Person, Mgmt. Training, GMP Projects, Operational Excellence in different functions at Klöckner Pentapack, Schering AG, Asche AG, Bayer AG and actually Bayer Bitterfeld GmbH.



**Dr Wolfgang Schumacher**

*Chairman ECA's IT Compliance Group, Switzerland*

He was til July 2017 Head of the department of Quality Computer Systems at F. Hoffmann-La Roche. He is currently Head of ECA's Data Integrity & IT Compliance Group, member of ECA's Extended Board and member of ECA's Task Force on Data Integrity.



**Dr Frank Seibel**

*Roche Diagnostics GmbH, Germany*

Dr Frank Seibel is Quality Site Head at Roche Diagnostics in Mannheim. Before that he was, amongst others, Senior Vice President Corporate Quality & HSE at Aeno-va Holding and Director Global Manufacturing Quality Strategy at AbbVie.



**Lance Smallshaw**

*UCB Biopharma S.A., Belgium*

Lance Smallshaw is Global Analytical and Quality Expert – Head of Compendial Affairs at UCB in Belgium and Member of ECA's Executive Board.



**Dr Ingrid Walther**

*Pharma Consulting Walther, Former Head of the Business Unit iv Drugs, Fresenius, Germany*

Dr Walther was employed in various positions and has long years of experience in the fields of research and development, QA/QC, and the management of strategic projects and as head of a Business Unit Validation and GMP Compliance Since July 2009 she runs her own business as consultant. She was Head of ECA's adhoc task force commenting the Annex 1 revision.



**Each participant will receive a set of PDF documents developed by ECA Working and Interest Groups for download:**

- ECA Task Force on Contamination Control Strategy - Guide How to Develop and Document a Contamination Control Strategy
- ECA Good Practice Guide "Code of Practice for QPs – Duties and Responsibilities for Qualified Persons in the EU"
- ECA Guidelines for the Evaluation and Investigation of Microbiological Deviations
- ECA Standard Operating Procedure (SOP): Laboratory Data Management - Out of Specification (OOS) Results
- Laboratory Data Management Guidance: Out of Expectation (OOE) and Out of Trend (OOT) Results
- Laboratory Data Management Guidance - Analytical Procedure Lifecycle Management (APLM)
- Good Practice Guide "Integrated Qualification and Validation - A guide to effective qualification based on a Customer - Supplier Partnership"
- ECA Good Practice Guide on Validation
- ECA/PQG Guidance on the Interpretation and Implementation of European Good Distribution Practice & ECA/PQG Guidance on the Interpretation and Implementation of European Good Distribution Practice for Active Substances
- ECA Code of Practice for The Responsible Person for GDP
- Visual Inspection Group Guidance Documents & Best Practice Paper
- ECA Guidance Document - Data Governance and Data Integrity for GMP Regulated Facilities



## Welcome

### Introduction – Update ECA

*Dr Afshin Hosseiny, Chairman of the ECA Advisory Board*

### Moderator

*Dr Ulrich Kissel*

## Session 1: Current GMP Initiatives and Trends

This session will discuss the latest changes and current initiatives in GMP and GDP regulations.

### GMP Update 2023 and Outlook 2024 – Current Trends and Developments in Europe and US

*Dr Bernd Renger*

- Regulation (EU) 2019/6 on Veterinary Medicinal Products – short feedback about the reduction of the use of antibiotics
- Revised Directive (EU) 2017/1572 on GMPs for Medicinal Products & Delegated Regulation (EU) 2017/1569 & revised Annex 13 – short feedback about the differences of „human use Medicinal Products“ and „IMPs“
- Reflection Paper GMP and Marketing Authorisation Holder (MAH) – Experiences
- Revision of Annex 1 – Feedback from the industry
- New Annex 21 – Experiences
- Concept Paper Annex 11 – Goals of the revision
- ICH Q2(R2) und ICH Q14 – Life Cycle of Analytical Procedures – Current status and feedbacks from the industry
- Nitrosamines in Medicinal Products and APIs – Trouble for industry and authorities?

## Session 2: Industry Meets Inspectors on Hot GMP Topics

### Part A – The Revision of ICH Q9 Risk Management

#### ICH Q 9 Revision: Inspector´s View

*Dr Rainer Gnihl*

- Overview
- What is new?
- Consequences in practice

#### Industry View: What does the ICH Q9 Revision Mean for Manufacturers? – What QA (and QPs) Need to Know?

*Dr Peer Schmidt*

- Background of guideline revision
- Key changes
- Impact on manufacturers
- Examples for application

### Part B – EU GMP Annex 11 on Computer Validation – EU Concept Paper on the upcoming Revision

#### EU GMP Annex 11 – The EU Concept Paper

*Ib Alstrup*

- History of Annex 11
- Why now a new version
- Concept paper

#### EU GMP Annex 11 – Industry View

*Dr Wolfgang Schumacher*

- Importance of Annex 11 for the pharmaceutical industry
- Industry view on Annex 11 concept paper

### Part C – The New EU GMP Annex 1 – Consequences for QA

#### Annex 1 Revision: What does Industry has to Expect? – GMP Inspector´s View

*Dr Rainer Gnihl*

- Contamination Control Strategy
- (Re-) Qualification
- Barrier Technologies & „old“ clean air equipment
- News in material transfer
- Sterile filtration
- Worst case for Aseptic Process Simulation

#### Annex 1 Revision: Relevant Points for QA – Industry View

*Dr Ingrid Walther*

- Increasing relevance of Quality Risk Management
- Contamination Control Strategy
- Trending – the new Trend!

## Moderator:

*Lance Smallshaw*

## Part D – Inspection Trends

### Hybrid Inspections

*Thomas Højsholm Schmidt*

- Definition of hybrid audits/inspections
- Planning for hybrid audits/inspections
- Conduct of hybrid audits/inspections

### MHRA Audit – A System also for the EU?

*Dr Afshin Hosseiny*

- What is MHRA audit?
- Experiences with MHRA audit?
- A system also for the EU?

## SESSION 3: Parallel Sessions & Workshops with Inspectors

## Moderators:

*Ralf Gengenbach | Dr Rainer Gnihl | Dr Thomas Schneppe |  
Dr Wolfgang Schumacher | Ib Alstrup | Saddam Huq | Alfred Hunt*

Get involved in the ECA Interest and Working Groups. Each delegate will be invited to discuss the upcoming developments with the Chairs/members of the working groups and EU inspectors.

You can address topics of interest and you can provide feedback on the currently planned activities. It is the aim of the Working Groups to provide a platform for discussion with both colleagues from industry and regulatory authorities.

### Option 1 (Validation Group):

#### Qualification & Validation: Metrics in Validation/ Commissioning and Qualification

*Ralf Gengenbach | Dr Thomas Schneppe | Dr Rainer Gnihl*

This interactive session will offer the opportunity for the participants to discuss some of the newer developments in qualification and validation activities:

- How to calculate cp/cpk, pp/ppk
- How to interpret cp/cpk, pp/ppk
- How can qualification and GEP interact?
- How can suppliers be implemented?

### Option 2: (Data Integrity Group):

#### Annex 11 changes

*Dr Wolfgang Schumacher | Ib Alstrup*

This interactive session will offer the opportunity for the participants to discuss current Data Integrity issues

- What will change?

### Option 3 (GDP Group):

#### Mean Kinetic Temperature (MKT)

*Saddam Huq*

This workshop will offer the opportunity to discuss the following aspects:

- What is MKT and conditions and rules when MKT could be applied

### Option 4 (GDP Group):

#### Deviation Management

*Alfred Hunt*

During this workshop participants will learn and discuss how to ensure that the deviation system is being correctly used and implemented.

- Effective Root Cause Analysis
- Extending Impact Assessments
- CAPAs that work
- Example of deviations which will be worked on by the attendees

## Part E – Regulatory Trends

### FDA's Quality Metrics Initiative – Current Status and what Industry can already Use to Supervise and Improve Quality of Products

*Dr Frank Seibel*

- Regulatory Requirements
- Implementation into Pharmaceutical Quality Systems
- Meaningful working with metrics

### Managing Medicines Shortages: Reducing the Impact on the Pharmaceutical Supply Chain

*Dr Uwe Rettig*

- Lesson learned after pandemic and other crises impacting global supply chain, e.g. looking at insecure markets, raw material / energy supply, uncertain customers / distributors or unreliable suppliers and the effects on the pharma supply chain
- Analysing the collaboration between all supply chain stakeholders
- Challenges, solutions, best practice and forecast for functioning supply chain for advanced therapy manufacturing

## Moderator:

*Alfred Hunt*

It is of key importance that medicinal products are not only made to a high quality in accordance with Good Manufacturing Practice (GMP), but that the quality and integrity of these products are maintained through the entire supply chain to the patient. This is where Good Distribution Practice (GDP) comes into play.

On day 3, challenges and possible solutions will be discussed and examples will demonstrate how the requirements can be put into practice.

## GDP Update & Outlook

*Alfred Hunt*

- Major GDP developments
- Current Trends in Europe and the US

## GDP for Veterinary Medicinal Products

*Dr Rainer Kahlich*

- New regulatory framework for VET-GDP – the European Regulations
- GDP for veterinary / for human medicinal products – what are the similarities, what are the differences?
- Inspection focus and prevalent findings

## Disruption of the Global Supply Chain: How to still be able to be GDP-compliant

*Peter Flury*

- The “New Normal” – Unpredictable availability of mode of transport, equipment, carriers and capacity; Failure of global security architecture with high uncertainty and potential interruption of trade lanes and supplies “overnight”
- Strategies to manage and control the “New Normal”
- Usage of Open-source intelligence (OSINT) to understand geo-political risks, anticipate and integrate them into a supply chain strategy

## Data Integrity in a Hybrid Working Environment

*Alfred Hunt*

- How to ensure good documentation practices and data integrity
- Use of document repositories
- Capturing approvals of remote workers
- Managing scanned documents

## Validation of Computerized Systems under GDP Regulation

*Dr Torsten Schmidt-Bader*

- Validation requirements – regulatory overview
- GAMP oriented validation approach of GDP critical systems
- Validation of a new warehouse and material management system – case study 2023: Wholesaler Germany

## Case Study on Thermostability

*Saddam Huq*

- Type of thermostability data
- Label claim versus thermostability data
- How thermostability data can be used for supply chain

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## Date

Tuesday, 20 June 2023, 09.00 – 17.30 h

(Registration and coffee 08.30 – 09.00 h)

Wednesday, 21 June 2023, 09.00 – 17.00 h

(Registration for new participants and coffee 08.30 – 09.00 h)

Thursday, 22 June 2023, 09.00 – 16.00 h

(Registration for new participants and coffee 08.30 – 09.00 h)

## Venue

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a € 200 discount. APIC members receive a € 100 Euro discount.

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and includes conference documentation, dinner on the first day,

lunch on all days and all refreshments. VAT is reclaimable.

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CONCEPT HEIDELBERG has reserved a limited number of rooms

in the conference hotel. You will receive a room reservation form/

POG when you have registered for the course. Reservation

should be made directly with the hotel. Early reservation is recommended.

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Via the attached reservation form, by e-mail or by fax message.

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The official conference language will be English.

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ECA has entrusted Concept Heidelberg with the organisation of this event.

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