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No European Coatings Show in autumn 2021 – next show in series scheduled for March 2023

Vincentz Network, organizer of the European Coatings Show, and NürnbergMesse jointly inform that the leading exhibition for the international paint and coatings industry, previously scheduled for 14-16 September 2021, has been cancelled. The next European Coatings Show will take place according to its regular schedule from 28-30 March 2023. This decision was taken on account of the continuing global travel restrictions in the wake of the Covid-19 pandemic.

Following close consultation with exhibitors and industry representatives, Vincentz Network and NürnbergMesse have decided to cancel the European Coatings Show in September 2021. The overlapping European Coatings Conference will still take place in digital form on 13-14 September 2021. The European Coatings Show will resume its regular schedule on 28-30 March 2023.

"The pandemic situation in Germany is stabilizing and the political indicators are in place for holding trade shows in Bavaria, but, regretfully, the next edition of ECS cannot be held before March 2023," comments Alexander Mattausch, Director Exhibitions, NürnbergMesse. "At the moment, the positive outlook is not yet universal, which means international travel is being resumed more slowly than we would prefer. But for the kind of European Coatings Show we know and appreciate – a global industry gathering of exhibitors and visitors from more than 120 countries – a faster resumption would be essential."

Amanda Beyer, Director Event Management Vincentz Network, adds: "For the European Coatings Show, the exhibition venue in Nuremberg becomes home to the global coatings industry every second year. Because of the continuing travel restrictions, we cannot be sure to be able to uphold that undertaking at present. In order to hold a leading exhibition on the scale of the ECS, the decision would have to be taken now. In the interests of the industry, with its members operating on a global scale, we have heavy-heartedly decided to call

the show off this year. We are pleased to be able to offer an alternative in the form of the digital Congress in September, where the international industry can meet at a virtual level to share knowledge and cultivate contacts. We will gather in Nuremberg again in March 2023 and catch up on everything we have been unable to do in recent months, we are looking forward to this opportunity to see each other again in this way."

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