**OTWorld**

**International Trade Show and World Congress**

**(19 to 22 May 2026)**

Leipzig, 05 March 2025

**Call for Papers:**

**Research, innovation, practice - abstract submission for OTWorld 2026 opens**

**Under the slogan "You make the difference with your congress contribution", the call for papers for the OTWorld 2026 World Congress will begin. From 19 to 22 May 2026, Leipzig will once again become the global centre for progress, knowledge transfer and interdisciplinary exchange in modern orthopaedic treatment and care. Whether groundbreaking studies, pioneering research results, technical innovations or exemplary treatment cases - the expertise of specialists from different disciplines counts. Contributions can be submitted online from now until 28 September 2025.**

Prosthetists and orthotists, orthopaedic footwear professionals, physicians, engineers and therapists - all are invited to present scientific studies, technical contributions, case studies or treatment cases as a lecture or ePoster. Following anonymous peer review, the accepted contributions will be integrated into thematically appropriate sessions by the programme committee. In this way, they help to shape the World Congress and the future of global orthopaedic treatment and care.

"Our aim is to work together to ensure global standards and drive innovation forward, thereby improving the quality of life of people with physical limitations”, explain the OTWorld 2026 Congress Presidents, Dr Doris Maier, Chief Physician and Head of the Centre for Spinal Cord Injuries and Neuro-Urology at the BG Unfallklinik Murnau, and Thomas Münch, master prosthetist and orthotist and Managing Director of the long-established company Münch und Hahn in Duisburg.

**New: Emerging speakers in demand**

For the first time, students and trainees have the opportunity to present themselves as emerging speakers. The new submission form is aimed specifically at young talents who would like to present their expertise and ideas to an international audience of experts.

**Main topics and submission formats**

The thematic portfolio of the congress includes, among other things:

* Prosthetics, orthotics and orthopaedic footwear technology
* Rehabilitation and paediatric orthopaedics
* Training/outlines of the profession
* Integrated treatment
* Digitalisation and materials research
* Treatment in crisis areas and sports orthopaedics

Further information on abstract submission and the conditions of participation are available [online](http://www.ot-world.com/en/callforpapers).

**About OTWorld**

OTWorld is the largest leading international industry platform for all manufacturers, distributors and service providers in the field of modern orthopaedic treatment and care. The OTWorld International Trade Show and World Congress offers a unique range of products and services for prosthetists, orthotists, orthopaedic footwear professionals, rehabilitation technicians as well as therapists, doctors, engineers and employees of medical retail and health insurance companies. The German Association of Orthopaedic Technology (BIV-OT) is OTWorld's conceptual partner. The holder of the OTWorld brand and organiser of the Congress is Confairmed GmbH. Leipziger Messe GmbH is responsible for the industry trade show. The next OTWorld will take place from 19 to 22 May 2026 in Leipzig.

**About Leipziger Messe**

The Leipziger Messe is one of the ten leading German trade fair companies and one of the top 50 worldwide. It organises events in Leipzig and at various locations all over Germany and abroad. With its five subsidiaries and the Congress Center Leipzig (CCL), Leipziger Messe is a comprehensive service provider covering the entire chain of the events business. It is due to this level of professionalism, that customers and visitors in 2024 voted the Leipziger Messe the service champion of the trade fair industry in Germany's largest service ranking for the 11th time in a row. The Leipzig fairgrounds comprise an exhibition area of 111,900 m² and an open-air exhibition area of 70,000 m². Every year, over 250 events with more than 7,800 exhibitors and over 1.2 million visitors take place – from trade fairs, exhibitions and congresses to events. Leipzig was the first German trade fair company to be certified according to the Green Globe standards. Sustainability is a recurring theme in the Leipziger Messe's corporate activities.

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