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### **International**

#### ***Faurecia and Michelin to Create a Global Leader in Hydrogen Mobility***

Michelin, a world leader in tyres and sustainable mobility, and Faurecia, a technology leader in the automotive industry, have announced the signature of a Memorandum of Understanding to create an equally-owned joint venture bringing together all of Michelin's fuel cell related activities - including its subsidiary Symbio - with those of Faurecia. This French joint venture, built around a unique ecosystem, will develop, produce and market hydrogen fuel cell systems for light vehicles, utility vehicles, trucks and other applications. Faurecia and Michelin are convinced of the importance of hydrogen technology in tomorrow's world of zero-emissions mobility and of the need to create a strong French and European hydrogen industrial sector. The two companies aim to create a world leader in hydrogen fuel cell systems by combining existing and complementary assets from both partners in the joint venture.

<https://www.faurecia.com/en/newsroom/faurecia-and-michelin-create-global-leader-hydrogen-mobility>

#### ***Rimaster Is Investing More Than Ever Before***

Swedish electronics manufacturer Rimaster's investments during the year include an entirely new production plant in Serbia and a large warehouse in Poland, as well as extensive investments in production space, production layout, machinery, and development at its other units. The Rimaster Group is growing in turnover, employees and capacity. The investments take place against that growth, which happened during the last two years. In 2017 Rimaster increased its turnover by 30%, in comparison with the market growth of 10%. A strategically important part of the expansion is the investment in a new production plant in Serbia. The facility will cover 3,600 square metres and will focus on the manufacture of wiring, a segment that Rimaster expects to grow as the need for more wiring in hybrid vehicles expand. The facility is under construction and is currently recruiting employees. Production is expected to start in the first quarter of 2019.

<https://evertiq.com/news/45779>

#### ***VW Workers' Council Against New Plant in SEE***

The influential workers' council at German automotive giant Volkswagen plans to prevent the construction of a new car manufacturing plant in one of the countries of Southeast Europe, with Serbia mentioned as one of the serious candidates for the location - writes German daily Bild am Sonntag. The workers' council intends to vote against this project at the session of the company's Supervisory Board this spring. The daily also states that the Board considers that the company's existing capacities in Europe are not sufficiently used and that it is possible to adapt them to the planned production of different types of cars. Volkswagen has been looking for a location for a new one-billion-euro worth plant for months and is currently examining ten possible sites in Romania, Serbia, Bulgaria and Turkey. The plant should start operating in late 2022 and would produce up to 300,000 vehicles annually.

<https://www.serbianmonitor.com/en/volkswagen-workers-council-against-the-new-plant-in-southern-europe/>

#### ***Continental Cleared to Acquire Cooper Standard's AVS Business***

The technology company Continental has received unconditional approval from all relevant antitrust authorities for the acquisition of the Anti-Vibration Systems (AVS) business of Cooper Standard. Once certain other formalities have been satisfied, Continental will close the acquisition of Cooper Standard's AVS business

as planned in the first half of the year. The acquisition of the AVS business, based in Novi in the US state of Michigan, was agreed on November 1, 2018. Cooper Standard's Anti-Vibration Systems unit runs five production sites including R&D facilities in Canada, France, India and the US and has a workforce of approximately 1,000 employees. It brings extensive expertise in vibration control technology and sound insulation and will enhance Continental's capabilities in these fields. The unit develops global anti-vibration solutions that mitigate noise, vibration and harshness in vehicles and thus improve suspension comfort and handling. It also has outstanding know-how in material and product design and in predictive component analysis, system integration and vehicle testing.

<https://www.continental-corporation.com/en/press/press-releases/acquisition-avs-164942>

## **Czech Republic**

### ***Mitsubishi Electric Expands With a New European Plant***

Mitsubishi Electric Corporation says that it will start construction of a new plant on the premises of its subsidiary Mitsubishi Electric Automotive Czech s.r.o (MEAC) in Slaný, Czech Republic. The new factory will enable MEAC to increase its mass production of motor and inverter systems for electric vehicles, such as the company's integrated starter-generator (ISG) systems for 48V hybrid vehicles, which are expected to see rapid growth in demand, especially in Europe. The company's new manufacturing plant in the city of Slaný will be a single story building with a total floor space of 9,880 square meters. The company will be investing JPY 1,200 million (€9.5 million) into this new venture, and production start is slated for April 2020. Aiming to expand the scale of its automotive equipment business, Mitsubishi Electric is developing a range of automotive products by applying its proprietary technologies in the fields of power electronics, vehicle integration control and high-density coil winding for motors.

<https://evertiq.com/news/45737>

## **Estonia**

### ***Taxify Announces Rebrand as Bolt***

As of Thursday, March 7, Estonian ride-hailing platform Taxify began operating worldwide under a new, uniform brand: Bolt. Both the company's name and logo was affected by the change, but the services it provides to its users remains the same, the company announced. The company wants its new name to reflect its greater mission. "Bolt, in English, means lightning," said company founder and CEO Markus Villig. "For us, this means a fast and convenient opportunity to move in cities, be it by car, scooter or public transport. This also stresses the fact that we believe that the future of transport is electric." The new name and logo will be rolled out in stages across all 30 countries where Bolt currently operates.

<https://news.err.ee/917419/taxify-announces-rebrand-as-bolt>

## **Hungary**

### ***GMD Group Confirms New Plant in Hungary***

As we reported in our 2017/40 issue, French GMD Group intends to further expand at its Hungarian site in Dorog. The company will be establishing a manufacturing facility there with an investment of HUF 14.5 billion

(€46 million), towards which the Government has provided HUF 2.9 billion (€9.2 million) in non-returnable funding. The investment is creating 240 new workplaces, and parts will be manufactured at the plant using state-of-the-art machinery and robotic technologies. "There was major competition for the investment, and GMD Group has subsidiaries in 14 countries worldwide, and could have taken its latest investment to any one of those," Minister of Foreign Affairs and Trade Péter Szijjártó said at a press conference in Budapest on March 7. He told reporters that Hungary had entered the competition for the investment because the further development of the local automotive industry fundamentally requires the expansion of supplier capacities. "And the proximity of suppliers is advantageous to large manufacturers in the interests of reducing logistics costs and assuring continuous production. GMD has received a major order from the PSA Group, which has taken over Opel's Hungarian plant. GMD has also purchased a company in Bonyhád, where they are producing interior trim components for Bentleys and Lamborghinis", Mr Szijjártó added.

<http://www.kormany.hu/en/ministry-of-foreign-affairs-and-trade/news/gmd-group-to-build-parts-plant-in-dorog>

### **Future of Audi TT in Question**

The future of the Audi TT is under review, according to Audi CEO Bram Schot. Prospects for the well-known sports car have long been in question, hampered by ongoing issues over profitability in the relatively low-volume sports car segment. Autocar has previously reported that Audi was understood to be re-evaluating the TT's future and now Schot has confirmed this. When asked whether the TT will continue, he said: "That's a very good question. I think there's a future for an [Audi] icon, but I don't know if it's a TT." He added: "I've got some things cooking which could replace TT, though not necessarily directly." Sources have told Autocar that a future TT could take the shape of a four-door liftback. Schot flagged the ongoing investment demands of electrification, mobility and technology as reasons for the re-evaluation. Just like its first two generations, the current Audi TT is solely manufactured at Audi Hungaria in Győr.

<https://www.autocar.co.uk/car-news/motor-shows-geneva-motor-show/future-audi-tt-question>

### **Labour Shortage Prompts Further Strike Action in Hungary's Car Industry**

Workers at South Korea's Hankook Tire plant in Hungary went on strike on Tuesday, March 12, demanding an 18% wage increase, the VDSZ trade union said, as a labour shortage puts pressure on the car industry. The industry accounts for nearly a third of Hungary's manufacturing output and is a major driver of exports and economic growth, but wages are rising sharply as companies find it hard to find skilled workers. Also on Tuesday, workers at the Hungarian operations of Canada-based exhaust parts producer Wescast, owned by China's Sichuan Bohong Industry, began a three-day strike in Oroszlány city, demanding higher pay. Hankook employs around 3,300 people at its factory making tyres for cars and smaller trucks near the central Hungarian town of Dunaújváros. The union did not say exactly how many employees joined the strike, which began at 1300 GMT after workers rejected management's offer last week of a 13.6% wage increase.

<https://www.reuters.com/article/hungary-hankook-tire-wages/labour-shortage-prompts-further-strike-action-in-hungarys-car-industry-idUSL8N20Z55X>

### **Magyar Suzuki Celebrates Production of 500,000th Vitara**

The half-millionth Vitara compact SUVs has been manufactured at Magyar Suzuki's Esztergom plant, the company's Communications Director told state news agency MTI. Viktoria Ruska remarked that the Vitara is the

company's first model to reach this milestone in a four-year production period. The production of the fourth generation Vitara started in spring 2015 in Esztergom. Hungarian engineers have taken part in the development of the model, and the prototype has been finalised almost entirely in Hungary. The Vitara, which was awarded the Hungarian Quality Product Award and has also won the Excellence in Innovation Award in the same contest, was modernised in September 2018. Besides Europe, it is also exported to countries like the Dominican Republic and Guatemala.

[https://www.napi.hu/magyar\\_vallalatok/nagy-bejelentest-tett-a-magyar-suzuki.680388.html](https://www.napi.hu/magyar_vallalatok/nagy-bejelentest-tett-a-magyar-suzuki.680388.html)

## **Poland**

### **All-New Electric Fiat 500 to Launch at Geneva 2020**

An all-new electric Fiat 500 city car, the 500e, will be launched at the Geneva motor show in 2020, the firm has confirmed. The vehicle will be sold alongside the existing 500, which will continue to be powered by conventional petrol engines as well as receiving styling and technical updates. The all-new electric 500 will sit on a bespoke electric car platform, according to Fiat boss Olivier Francois, with the same platform potentially earmarked for use if the new Panda-inspired Centoventi concept makes production. The electric 500 will be a key part of Fiat's transformation in Europe into a brand focusing on small electrified city cars. Fiat also confirmed the new 500 would be joined by a 500 Giardiniera estate, although the firm didn't say if that would also appear at next year's Geneva show. Ahead of the 500e arriving, a mild hybrid variant of the 500 is due to launch later this year.

<https://www.autocar.co.uk/car-news/motor-shows-geneva-motor-show/all-new-electric-fiat-500-launch-geneva-2020>

### **Varroc Lighting Systems Opens New R&D Centre in Poland**

Varroc Lighting Systems, a leading global supplier of innovative exterior vehicle lighting systems and electronics, has inaugurated a new research and development office in Krakow, Poland. It is the company's second largest investment in Poland in recent months, following the announcement of a manufacturing plant in Niemce, which is scheduled to open in the third quarter of 2019. According to Todd Morgan, Senior Vice President of Product Development for Varroc Lighting Systems, this location will help the company meet the needs of a rapidly changing industry. The 1,325 square metre office will have a capacity of over 100 workplaces and will be responsible for developing all types of automotive lighting technologies that are available in Varroc's portfolio - from standard halogen lamps up to the most advanced matrix and laser lamps. There will be an engineering centre that will include optics, electronics, and mechanics departments. The office will also serve as a hub for the company's Global Purchasing function and will consist of other administrative departments such as IT, HR, and Finance.

<https://www.varroclighting.com/news/SitePages/NewsDetail.aspx?newsId=73>

### **Kitron Set to Expand With New Production Facility in Poland**

Norwegian Electronics Manufacturing Services provider Kitron is set to expand once again in Poland. The company is planning a new PLN 65 million (€15 million) production facility in the Pomeranian Special Economic Zone. Construction is scheduled to be completed this year, and the electronics manufacturer is set to start

production in the new plant during the fourth quarter. Kitron plans to expand the operations of the facility gradually; during phase one, a production plant covering 8,000 square metres will be built and provide new jobs for 200 new employees. Moving forward, however, the company wants to increase that workforce to about 400 over the following five years, according to a report from the Pomeranian Special Economic Zone. Kitron's core areas of expertise are in the sectors defence/aerospace, energy/telecoms, industry, medical devices and offshore/marine. In addition, the company currently is developing expertise in automotive electronics with a special focus on autonomous technologies.

<https://evertiq.com/news/45756>

### **Polish, Chinese Chemicals Groups Sign Cooperation Deal**

Polish and Chinese chemicals groups PCC Rokita and Shandong Shida Shenghua have signed a contract to launch preparations for investments in the production and sale of organic carbonates in Europe, the Polish firm said in a statement on March 11. The first stage of the investment is to include construction of an installation with an annual production capacity of 20,000 tonnes of liquid electrolytes for lithium batteries. The cost of this project has been estimated at approx. €22 million. Pursuant to the agreement, a special purpose vehicle (SPV) is to be established in Poland, to which Shida will grant a license for the use of organic carbonate production technologies. The Chinese company will hold 51% of the SPV shares and PCC Rokita 49%. PCC Rokita will provide the media necessary for the production, as well as the company's premises in Brzeg Dolny, south-western Poland. The second stage of the project would involve the production of an extended portfolio of components for EV batteries.

<https://www.thefirstnews.com/article/polish-chinese-chemicals-groups-sign-cooperation-deal-5092>

### **Zannini Expands in Poland**

Zannini Poland Sp. z o.o., the local unit of Italy's turned parts and high precision mechanical components manufacturer Zannini Group, intends to expand its plant in the Katowice Special Economic Zone. Total investment in the development of the plant will amount to PLN 41 million (€9.5 million). The company plans to increase production capacity in the field of components for the hydraulic and automotive industries, in particular parts for hydraulic valves and engines. Thanks to the new investment, the company will hire at least ten workers and will maintain almost 170 existing positions. Zannini Poland is located in Czeladz in an area of 2,000 square metres, which is to be enlarged to 4.000 square metres. Its strategic position enables the company to further consolidate its relationships with the German, French and Italian markets and also to optimise its relationships with the Czech and Slovak markets and finally to extend its presence in Eastern Europe and the Baltics.

[http://www.automotivesuppliers.pl/index.php?option=com\\_content&view=article&id=20372](http://www.automotivesuppliers.pl/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=20372)

## **Romania**

### **Dacia Produces €1 Billion Worth of Cars in Jan-Feb**

Groupe Renault's Romanian subsidiary Dacia produced €1 billion worth of cars in the first two months of 2019, focusing on its best-selling model, the Dacia Duster, Ziarul Financiar reported. The production of the Dacia plant in Mioveni climbed 14.4% in the first two months of this year, to a total of almost 65,000 units, according



to data from the Automobile Manufacturers' Association (ACAROM). Taking into account an average price of over €15,000 plus VAT, Dacia's production in the first two months is worth about €1 billion. Four out of five cars produced at the Mioveni factory in were Dusters, as the production of the second best-selling small SUV on the European market has steadily increased. The output of the SUV has climbed in the first two months by more than 40% year-on-year, to over 50,000 units. The second model by the number of units produced was the Sandero, with nearly 6,200 units (down by a third y-o-y), followed by the Logan with 5,400 units, at the same level as in 2018, and the Logan MCV with 3,000 units, less than half compared to last year.

<https://www.romania-insider.com/dacia-car-production-jan-feb-2019>

### **Romanian Car Sharing Service Perpetoo Launches in Four Cities**

Two Romanian entrepreneurs have launched on the local market the first car-sharing service that gives car owners the possibility to rent their cars to other users. The service will initially be available in Bucharest, Cluj-Napoca, Iasi, and Timisoara. Car owners first have to register on the web page of the application. The service accepts cars produced after 2010, which have valid mandatory insurance and technical inspection. The company that operates the application will provide free of charge full voluntary car insurance from Uniqua and Renomia. According to Perpetoo representatives, users who make their car available for rental through this app can earn between RON 1,000 and RON 4,000 (€212 to €450) or more, depending on the car model and the period for which it will be rented. The owners set the rental price.

<https://www.romania-insider.com/perpetoo-launches-four-cities>

## **Russia**

### **U.S. Sanctions Prevent VW From Buying Stake in Russia's GAZ**

Volkswagen cannot buy a stake in Russian carmaker GAZ because the company is under U.S. sanctions and talks on a deal have been suspended, RIA news agency reported on March 6, citing the head of VW's Russian operations. Sanctioned businessman Oleg Deripaska has been seeking to divest his stake in GAZ as part of a potential deal with the United States to lift its sanctions on the company and VW was viewed as a possible buyer. Washington dropped sanctions on Deripaska's core empire - aluminium giant Rusal and its parent En+ in December after he reduced his stake in the businesses. "At the moment this (a deal to buy a share in GAZ) is not possible for us because of sanctions... Talks are suspended," RIA quoted Marcus Osegowitsch, Volkswagen's Russia head, as saying. Sources told Reuters in December 2017 that Volkswagen was in talks to buy a stake in GAZ.

<https://www.reuters.com/article/us-usa-russia-sanctions-gaz/us-sanctions-prevent-volkswagen-from-buying-stake-in-russias-gaz-ria-idUSKCN1QN1WP>

### **700,000th Renault Logan Sold in Russia**

Since the start of its production in 2005, more than 700,000 Renault Logan cars have been produced and sold in Russia. The Dacia/Renault Logan is popular not only in Russia, but throughout the world: since its introduction, more than 3,632,827 units of this model have been sold. Russia is the leader in sales of the Logan, ahead of such large markets for the model as Brazil and Romania.

<https://media.group.renault.com/ru/ru-ru/renault/media/pressreleases/21222875/700-000-renault-logan>

### ***Avtotor to Launch CKD Assembly of New Hyundai Sonata by Year-End***

The Avtotor plant in Kaliningrad will begin production of the latest generation Hyundai Sonata sedan at the end of 2019, Alexey Kalitsev, Managing Director of Hyundai Motor CIS, said. "We are completely satisfied with the quality of our cars produced in Kaliningrad. In 2019, production of the new Hyundai Sonata will begin at the Avtotor factory using CKD method. Local production of the new Sonata is scheduled to start in the fourth quarter of 2019," Kalitsev added. Assembly of the current generation model began at Avtotor last March. At the same time, the Hyundai Sonata replaced the Hyundai i40, which was produced in Kaliningrad between 2013 and 2017.

<https://www.autostat.ru/news/38256/>

### ***Avtotor Produces 2 Millionth Car in Kaliningrad***

On March 6, Avtotor produced the two millionth vehicle since the start of production in May 1997. The jubilee car is a Kia Cerato, the press service of the company announced. Avtotor was founded in 1994 in Kaliningrad as the first Russian company to start production of foreign brand cars. Avtotor currently produces about forty different car models of the brands of BMW, FAW, Hyundai and Kia. In 2018, the company produced over 203,000 cars. Currently, more than 3,000 people work at Avtotor enterprises as their number increased by 20% last year compared to 2017. In 2019, due to the expansion of production, the company plans to create a further 600 jobs.

<http://www.avtotor.ru/news/898-na-zavode-avtotor-proshla-torzhestvennaya-tseremoniya-vypuska-2000000-go-avtomobilya>

### ***European Customers Show Interest in Aurus Luxury Cars***

European dealers have a keen interest in Russian Aurus brand luxury cars, Industry and Trade Minister Denis Manturov said in an interview aired by the Rossiya-24 TV news channel on March 7. "We already seen a keen interest from the side of potential dealers in the first place who want to sell the car in Europe. One can say that we are not going to have any problems finding clients in Europe over the next three or four years," he said. Earlier Manturov noted that Europe and the Middle East are priority export markets for the Russian luxury cars. European clients will be able to buy Aurus cars after 2021, once full-scale production is launched in Russia's Tatarstan, he added.

<http://tass.com/economy/1047918>

### ***Nissan Increased Exports From Russia by Fifty Percent in 2018***

Nissan has delivered to the Belarusian and Kazakh markets 5,747 Russian-built cars in 2018, which is equivalent to a 50% year-on-year growth. The relevant statement was made by the press office of Nissan, adding that components have also been exported to the company's Central European Warehouse. The St. Petersburg plant has exported more than 17,000 Nissan X-Trail bumpers last year, which were manufactured at the plant's plastic components moulding workshop. In addition, the enterprise exported 930,000 noise insulation parts last year with a total weight of 450 tonnes. Nissan Motor Manufacturing Russia manufactured 56,516 Nissan Murano, Qashqai and X-Trail cars in 2018 (+23.3%), which is a historical record for the company.

<http://rusautonews.com/2019/03/05/nissan-has-increased-the-exports-of-russian-production-cars-by-50-in-2018/>



### **UAZ Resumes Car Exports to Cuba**

The Ulyanovsk Automobile Plant will soon resume regular deliveries of its cars to Cuba. The Institute of transport of Cuba has already tested the UAZ Patriot SUV and the UAZ Pickup, as well as the UAZ Profi light commercial vehicle. The company has begun delivery of the first batch of pickups for the country's energy industry, UAZ Export Director Andrei Dorofeev said, without determining the expected volume of car supplies to Cuba.

<https://www.napinfo.ru/en/news/cars/uaz-resumes-export-of-cars-to-cuba>

### **Serbia**

#### **Witzenmann to Start Construction of New Serbian Plant Soon**

Witzenmann Group has purchased six hectares of undeveloped building land in the local Industrial Zone from the Municipality of Kula to construct a car component plant. The sales agreement worth RSD 37.8 million (€321,000) was signed between the president of the Municipality of Kula, Damjan Miljanic, and the director of the German company, Michael Scheib. Scheib announced that the construction of the facility would begin after obtaining the building permit, perhaps as soon as April. According to him, 300 people should be employed at the plant, but there is a possibility of increasing the number of employees as the workload grows. Miljanic expressed his satisfaction that Witzenmann chose Kula as the location for its latest investment. Headquartered in Pforzheim, Germany, the company is a manufacturer of flexible metal elements. It has a strong global presence with 24 affiliated companies in 19 countries.

<https://www.ekapija.com/en/news/2429451/germanys-witzenmann-to-arrive-to-kula-rsd-378-million-paid-for-6>

### **Slovakia**

#### **Carmakers Slovakia's Most Significant Producers in January**

Industrial production in Slovakia increased by 7.2% year-on-year in January 2019. This figure was mostly affected by the growth in manufacturing of 7.9%. "The most significant increase was in the automotive industry, and this was massively supported by the growing production at the new Jaguar Land Rover plant," Ľubomír Koršňák, an analyst for the UniCredit Bank Czech Republic and Slovakia, wrote in a memo. In terms of the specific industrial sectors which contributed the most to the total production increase, the most significant growth was recorded in the manufacture of transport equipment, 38.1% y-o-y. "Without the automotive sector, the Slovak industry would not have grown in January," Krošňák stressed, adding that there would have otherwise been a drop in the overall production of 0.4%.

<https://spectator.sme.sk/c/22072396/carmakers-were-the-most-significant-producers-in-january.html>

### **Turkey**

#### **Automotive Exports Hit \$2.5 Billion in February**

According to the statement released by Uludağ Automotive Industry Exporters' Association (OİB), the Turkish automotive sector saw a decrease of 9% in February exports compared to the same period of the previous

year, reaching \$2.54 billion (€2.26 billion). Classified by product group, passenger car exports decreased by 11% in February to \$953 million with supply industry exports dropping by 5% to \$892 million, while exports of motor vehicles for the transportation of goods fell 29% to \$407 million in this period. Last month, bus-minibus-midibus exports increased by 16% compared to the same month of the previous year, reaching \$149 million.

<https://www.dailysabah.com/automotive/2019/03/08/automotive-exports-hit-25-billion-in-february>

## Ukraine

### **Subaru is Looking to Expand Its Dealer Network in Ukraine**

Subaru Ukraine LLC, the official importer of Subaru cars in Ukraine, continues to expand its dealer network. The company is looking for possible business partners mainly in Ukraine's Vinnitsa, Zaporizhia and Poltava regions. Selecting the companies, which can receive the status of an official Subaru dealer in one of the regions mentioned above, will be carried out on a competitive basis.

<http://www.autoconsulting.com.ua/article.php?sid=43499>

### UPCOMING EVENTS

- » **March 19-20:** MOSCOW, RUSSIA: RUSSIAN AUTOMOTIVE FORUM 2019 (RAF 2019)
- » **March 19-22:** BRNO, CZECH REPUBLIC: AMPER 2019  
<http://www.amper.cz/en.html>
- » **March 22-28:** BELGRADE, SERBIA: BG CAR SHOW  
<http://sajamautomobila.rs/en/>
- » **March 23-April 1:** BUCHAREST, ROMANIA: BUCHAREST INTERNATIONAL MOTOR SHOW (SIAB 2019)  
<https://siab.ro/en/>
- » **March 27-29:** ASTANA, KAZAKHSTAN: KAZAKHSTAN INTERNATIONAL AUTOMOTIVE EXPO (KIAE)  
<http://automechanika.kz/en/>
- » **March 28-31:** POZNAN, POLAND: POZNAN MOTOR SHOW 2019  
<https://www.motorshow.pl/en/>
- » **April 4-7:** ST. PETERSBURG, RUSSIA: ST. PETERSBURG INTERNATIONAL MOTOR SHOW  
<https://autoworldexpo.ru/en/>
- » **April 4-7:** ISTANBUL, TURKEY: AUTOMECHANIKA ISTANBUL 2019  
<https://automechanika-istanbul.tr.messefrankfurt.com/istanbul/en.html>
- » **April 10:** BUDAPEST, HUNGARY: AUTOMOTIVE INDUSTRY 2019  
<https://www.portfolio.hu/en/events/conference-economy/automotive-industry-2019/825/>
- » **April 12-14:** RIGA, LATVIA: AUTO 2019 (INTERNATIONAL AUTOMOTIVE INDUSTRY FAIR IN RIGA)  
<http://www.bt1.lv/auto/eng/>
- » **April 30-May 5:** BRATISLAVA, SLOVAKIA: AUTOSALON BRATISLAVA 2019  
[http://www.incheba.sk/vystavy/autosalon-16007.html?page\\_id=16007&lang=en](http://www.incheba.sk/vystavy/autosalon-16007.html?page_id=16007&lang=en)
- » **May 21:** WROCLAW, POLAND: AUTOMOTIVE TECHNOLOGIES SUMMIT 2019  
<https://automotivetechsummit.com/>
- » **May 24-26:** KIEV, UKRAINE: PLUG-IN UKRAINE 2019  
[https://www.pluginua.org/index\\_e.php](https://www.pluginua.org/index_e.php)