

Delcam host successful UK Technical Seminar, Liverpool - 25/04/2013

As part of dissemination activities, the COMET project is hosting four technical seminars throughout Europe. Delcam, project coordinator, hosted and organised the second of these at CNC Robotics in Liverpool on 25th April. It was a hugely successful event with close to 40 people attending and a great way for project partners to share the results with the wider audience; robot integrators, manufacturers and journalists were all present.

The technical seminar began with chair speaker Johnny van der Zwaag (Delcam) welcoming everyone to the 2nd Technical Seminar. Jan Willem Gunnink, Project Coordinator (Delcam) then gave a brief introduction about the COMET project and its background, before other project partners (Gizelis Robotics, Nikon Metrology and SIR) were invited to give presentations on the results and developments within these five modules: -

- Machine cell integration
- Robot offline programming
- Offline compensation
- Online compensation
- Market and applications



Johnny van der Zwaag (Delcam) opening the 2nd Technical Seminar and welcoming attendees



Attendees and COMET project partners taking part in the live robot demonstration at CNC Robotics

After the informative presentations, a live robot machining demonstration was conducted in the excellent facilities at CNC Robotics, with one of the four COMET demonstration parts from partner TEKS. This provided a unique opportunity for attendees, which included representatives from robotics' manufacturers KUKA, Kawasaki and FANUC, to ask questions and have further discussions with project partners about what the future might hold for machining with robots.

The feedback from participants was very positive, with "every presentation providing an excellent introduction" to state of the art robotics' machining. Project partners are now looking ahead to the 3rd and 4th technical seminars which are being held in Germany at Fraunhofer IPA on 14th May, and at SIR on 4th June.

For more information about the COMET project visit <http://www.comet-project.eu> and the project's social media pages, including Facebook (Comet project) and Twitter (@COMET_project).

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http://ec.europa.eu/research/industrial_technologies/lists/factories-of-the-future_en.html