



## TRANSFORMERS COMMITTEE



February 5, 2013

Dear Committee Members and Guests:

As host of the Spring 2013 Meeting of the IEEE/PES Transformers Committee, I cordially invite you and your spouse/companion to attend this event **March 17-21 in Munich, Germany**. All of us at Reinhausen consider this opportunity an honor and privilege and look forward to welcome you in good, old Germany. Our goal is to make you feel at home and to assist you in any way possible. We want to make sure you will carry sweet memories back home!

Our meeting will take place at the **Dolce Munich Hotel** in the town of Unterschleißheim, Germany. The Dolce is an extraordinary property and is one of Europe's most dynamic conference and events venues.

**HOTEL INFORMATION:** The Dolce Hotel is now sold-out of standard "Superior" guest rooms. Discounted group rate for a "Deluxe" room at the Dolce is €189 for single occupancy, and €219 for double occupancy. These rates -- available until February 12th -- include all taxes, breakfast, and complimentary wireless Internet in the guest rooms. Visit the Committee's website for a link to reservations, or call **+49 (0)89 370 530 131**. Mention the group **"IEEE Transformers"** to receive this special rate. We expect the hotel to completely sell out early, so book your rooms as soon as possible.

**TRANSPORTATION:** The Dolce Hotel does not provide a shuttle service to/from the airport. The hotel is 20-25 minutes (22 km or 14 miles) from the Munich International Airport (airport code "MUC") and is best served by public taxi. One-way taxi fare between the airport and the hotel is approximately €40.

To facilitate transportation during the week from the hotel to downtown Munich, we will provide shuttle service several times a day at no charge to you starting Saturday March 16. The shuttle schedule will be posted in the meeting area.

**REGISTRATION:** Register on-line at [www.transformerscommittee.org](http://www.transformerscommittee.org) for tours, social events and the meeting. Registering by February 22 entitles you to a US\$50 early registration discount. The on-line registration system will be disabled on Wednesday, March 13 to print name badges and finalize counts. *Note that the cost to walk-up register at the meeting is substantially higher than for registering on-line in advance and some social events/tours may be sold-out.*

**WEATHER:** Weather in Munich can be unpredictable this time of the year. Monthly averages are a high of 48°F (9°C), and low of 33°F (0°C). Check the forecast closer to meeting time for more accurate forecasts. Dress for the meeting and all accompanying events is business casual.

**SATURDAY EARLY-BIRD EVENT:** Dinner buffet and a fun night of live music at Dachau's famous music club Altes Schulhaus. The "Wild Magnolia Mariachis", a party machine from Munich, put together an energetic live performance fueled by two guitars, a piano, brass and reed, and a blues harp. Boogie, Soul and Blues, including old classics and originals are presented side by side like old buddies. Space is limited, so register early!

**SUNDAY EVENING RECEPTION:** Reinhausen Manufacturing is proud to host this renewal and development of friendships at Fürstliches Brauhaus in the heart of beautiful Regensburg. Delectable food and drinks will be served. *Indicate your intention to attend this event during the on-line registration process.*

**TUESDAY AWARDS LUNCHEON:** Come join us and recognize the hard work of your peers. Advance registration required.

**WEDNESDAY EVENING RECEPTION:** Join us for a memorable evening at the famous Technical-Historical **Deutsches Museum of Land Transportation Munich**. We will dine and socialize among remarkable models of land transport, both past and present. Coaches, fast train locomotives, Pullman cars, trams and two-wheelers are just a few of the sights to take in that evening. For more details, visit [www.deutsches-museum.de/en/collections/transport/road-transport](http://www.deutsches-museum.de/en/collections/transport/road-transport)

**SPOUSE/COMPANION TOURS:** Join us on Sunday for a tour of **Historical Regensburg** leading up to the Welcome Reception that evening. On Monday, enjoy a **Munich City Tour**, which includes a visit to Schloss Nymphenburg, the grandest baroque palace in Germany, lunch at Schlossrestaurant, city tour by bus and walking tour of the city center. On Tuesday, be transported back in time while discovering the magic and mystery of **Neuschwanstein Castle**, a 19th Century Romanesque Revival palace. Wednesday, explore the sights, cultural, recreational and historical experiences of the area at your leisure. Thursday, spend the afternoon enjoying a **Bavarian "Schmankerl"** tour, trying the local delicacies and diverse tastes of the region.

**FRIDAY (OPTIONAL) DAY TOUR:** We will visit **Salzburg, Austria**, UNESCO World Cultural Heritage site, including castle Mirabell, Salzburg Cathedral, Mozart's birthplace.

**TECHNICAL TOURS:** Maschinenfabrik Reinhausen GmbH will host guided tours of its pioneering manufacturing facility in Regensburg (open to all attendees) on Sunday leading up to the opening reception at Fürstliches Brauhaus. Monday and Tuesday we plan on guided individual tours to BMW Complex (space is very limited, so register early). To round up the week's program, Siemens and SGB-SMIT offer technical tours of their transformer facilities on Thursday afternoon (by invitation only).

**ADDITIONAL MEETING INFORMATION.** Along with this invitation letter, additional meeting information can be downloaded from the Committee's website at [www.transformerscommittee.org](http://www.transformerscommittee.org).

- Meeting Registration Form. This is good guide to review fees before you begin the on-line registration process. On-line registration with a credit card is the primary method of payment. Contact us at [transformers@ieee.org](mailto:transformers@ieee.org) if another form of payment is desired.
- Detailed Meeting Schedule & General Session Agenda. If any noteworthy changes occur, an updated schedule will be posted on the Committee's website a few days prior to the meeting.
- Other Informational Flyers, including those for the Saturday Early-Bird Event, the Wednesday Social, Spouse/Companion Tours, and Technical Tours will be added to the website soon.

We at Reinhausen Manufacturing and Maschinenfabrik Reinhausen are committed to making your visit to **Bavaria** truly unforgettable!



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