

The Automotive Supply Chain Roadshow

March 22nd – Prague, Czech Republic.

- 08:00 **Registration & Morning Refreshments**
(provided by Headline Sponsor: Grant Thornton)
- 09:00 **SESSION ONE – INTRODUCTION TO THE AUTOMOTIVE SECTOR:**
Roadshow kick off with Chair Mr Christopher Plant, The Voice of Business
- Introduction to the event:** Welcome by the British Ambassador
- Her Majesty's Ambassador to the Czech Republic, Mr Nick Archer MVO
 - Ms Gabriela Hoppe, Partner, Grant Thornton Czech Republic
- 09:20 **Opening Plenary Session:** Keynote Speech:
An overview of the Czech Automotive Industry and an introduction to the market.
Speaker: Mr Zdeněk Petzl, LL.M.
Managing Director of the Czech Automotive Industry Association
- 09:35 **INTRODUCTION TO THE ROADSHOW: PANEL INTRODUCTION**
An introduction to the event and a look at the Automotive Industry in the CEE
- **Czech Automotive Industry Association:** Mr Zdeněk Petzl, LL.M. Managing Director
 - **Czech Invest, Automotive sector specialist:** Mr Richard Schneider
 - **British Chamber of Commerce: Executive** Director, Ms Denisa Brighton
 - **Grant Thornton Automotive Specialist:** Mr Neil Barrell, Grant Thornton UK LLP
- 10:30 **Networking Coffee Break** (20 mins)
- 10:50 **SESSION TWO – OPPORTUNITY IN THE CEE, THE HR FACTOR & INTERNATIONAL PANEL:**
- The key facts of the Automotive sector CEE - Country Focus in the CEE**
A comprehensive overview of the Czech Republic Automotive Market
Speaker: Mr Richard Schneider- Automotive sector specialist, Czech Invest
- 11:10 **The Automotive Recruitment Vision**
Speaker: Mr Gerard Koolen, Group Managing Partner,
Lugera - The People Republic. How and why recruitment is taking shape in the CEE and what
is missing - how can we fix it?
- 11:30 **PANEL DISCUSSION: Automotive Experts CEE** - How do International Tier 1 & 2 companies
expand business. What and where are the opportunities in the CEE?
1. Ms Anne-Marie Martin, CEO, COBCOE
 2. Mr Chris Sipos, Head of Business, Arlington Automotive
 3. Mr Gareth Jones, Managing Director, Pritex Limited
 4. Mr Simon Willington, Automotive Global Team, TR Fasteners
 5. Mr Neil Barrell, Partner - Head of Operational Consulting at Grant Thornton UK LLP

12:30 Networking Buffet Lunch (60 mins)

13:30 SESSION THREE - PANEL DISCUSSION & CASE STUDIES

PANEL DISCUSSION: The CEE is a hub of automotive innovative and technological excellence. What new developments can we expect and where lies the future of automotive technology. Hear from our expert panelists in the CEE MARKET

1. Mr Richard Schneider - Automotive sector specialist, Czech Invest
2. Mr Gerard Koolen, Group Managing Partner, Lugera
3. Mr Peter Roger, General Manager of Europe, Ness Digital Engineering
4. Mr Stanislav Gálik, Head of Innovations at AAA AUTO
5. Mr Vladimir Rösel, Corporate finance professional
6. Mr Jay Nagley, AIO R&D Technology Specialist from the UK

14:30 CASE STUDY: UK- Leaders in E-mobility and innovation
Speaker: Mr Jay Nagley, AIO R&D Technology Specialist from the UK

14:50 CASE STUDY : Innovation and technology driving automotive in the CEE
Find out more on Active technology, Autonomous innovative solutions and why an International IT company relies heavily on their CEE Research & Development centres.
Speaker: Mr Ciprian Verman, EDC Manager, Ness Digital Engineering

15:20 Networking Coffee Break (20 mins)

15:40 SESSION FOUR – A COUNTRY FOCUS AND THE ENVIRONMENT
OEMs & the Opportunity"
Speaker: Christopher Plant The Voice of Business
A presentation on the opportunity that the OEMs can bring you in and around the CEE
"Focus on Slovakia"

16:00 Case Study:
Looking at the environmental impact of Waste Management in Automotive in the CEE
Speaker: Mr Marian Christenko, CEO, KOSIT

16:20 FINAL SESSION - B2B MEETINGS / NETWORKING
Introduce your company to our Automotive professionals
All partners have a table for you to visit, you will join a group and have an allotted time to speak, be brief as you will have more time at the other networking sessions and the after event drinks reception.

18:00 Networking drinks and buffet – Tombola
Join fellow delegates for more informal discussions.
(Open for sponsorship opportunity)

(This Agenda is subject to change at any time)