

Webseminar: Japan Insights „Opportunities for the Composites Industry“

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Date: **29.09.2026, 08:30 – 10:30 a.m.**

Location: Online

Host: Sven Blanck (MAI Carbon), Fabian Rechsteiner (Fraunhofer IGCV) & Dr. Iris Wieczorek (GIGA Hamburg)

Japan as a Market of the Future – Opportunities for German Companies in the Composites Industry

Japan is one of the world's leading centers of innovation and offers attractive business opportunities, particularly for companies in the composites industry. Whether in lightweight design, mobility, aerospace, hydrogen technologies, or high-tech manufacturing – the demand for high-performance composite materials is growing steadily. In this webinar, you'll gain practical insights into the Japanese market, current industry trends, and specific collaboration and business opportunities for German industry partners. Learn what requirements Japanese companies place on international suppliers and technology partners, which market segments offer particularly high potential, and how to successfully enter the market. Take this opportunity to gain valuable first-hand market insights and discover new avenues for your international growth.

Agenda

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| 08:30 | Welcoming
Sven Blanck, MAI Carbon |
| 08:40 | MAI Osaka: The Japanese Market for Carbon and Composites
Fabian Rechsteiner, Fraunhofer IGCV |
| 08:55 | Japan in Brief: Insights into Innovation Policy Strategies
Dr. Iris Wieczorek, GIGA Hamburg |
| 09:15 | Success Stories: German Companies in Japan
Achim Haug, Germany Trade & Invest (GTAI) |
| 09:35 | From <i>Tatema</i> to <i>Klartext</i>: Navigating the Road to Joint Research Success
Dr. Tassilo Witte, CTC GmbH |
| 09:55 | Open Carbon Fiber Recycling Ecosystem: Europe-Japan Collaboration Opportunities
Hiromasa Tomioka, Toyota Industries Corporation |
| 10:15 | Q&A |
| 10:30 | End |

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