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SYSTEMS & COMPONENTS Forestry by DLG: Successful Premiere at INTERFORST 2026

Premiere for SYSTEMS & COMPONENTS Forestry by DLG – INTERFORST in Munich from 15 to 18 October 2026 – Added value for OEM designers, developers and purchasing professionals – Dedicated platform for direct exchange with suppliers of systems and components for innovative forestry machinery – systems-components-forestry

With the premiere of “SYSTEMS & COMPONENTS Forestry by DLG” at INTERFORST 2026, DLG (German Agricultural Society) and Messe München established a new meeting place for the forestry machinery industry. From 15 to 18 October, suppliers presented their components and system solutions in Hall B6 to a professional audience from development, engineering and procurement departments of forestry machinery manufacturers. The new exhibition area showcased solutions ranging from engines and hydraulics to driveline technology, vehicle electronics, spare parts and wear parts. The offering was complemented by additional forestry technology suppliers exhibiting in the outdoor area.

“The first edition of SYSTEMS & COMPONENTS Forestry has shown that the industry is actively taking advantage of the opportunity to meet face-to-face. OEMs showed strong interest in the new supplier area, everyone from purchasing managers to design and development engineers.. We're pleased with how the launch went and are coming away with a lot of great ideas for taking the format forward," said Petra Kaiser, Brand & Sales Manager, SYSTEMS & COMPONENTS.

A centerpiece of DLG's own stand, "SYSTEMS & COMPONENTS Forestry by DLG", was the Ponsse H7 harvester head. This highly complex unit served as a showcase for the many individual parts and components needed for a harvester head to perform its key functions reliably, from the hydraulic block and feed motor to the rotator and control unit. The exhibit attracted strong interest from visitors.

The official program of the new exhibition platform kicked off on the first day with an informal networking event at the DLG stand, where industry experts, forestry machinery manufacturers, and suppliers came together to exchange ideas and discuss current developments.

On 17 October, DLG contributed its forestry expertise and global network to the INTERFORST technical programme. Moderated by Thomas Wehner, Head of Forestry at DLG, the session focused on digital applications and robotics in forestry:

- "Keynote – Vision. Innovation. Future." (DLG), including an introduction to the session
- "From Sensor to System: Tailored Microelectronic Solutions for Digital Forestry Applications" (Fraunhofer IIS)
- "AI in Forestry – A Revolution" (KWF)
- "Autonomous Robotics in Forestry" (Autonomous Mobile Robotics Lab, HAWK Göttingen)

Visitors responded particularly positively to insights into digital solutions in the fields of vehicle electronics, sensor technology and AI-based applications.

Feedback from exhibitors and organizers

Heikki Hihnala, Account Manager at AGCO Power, one of the exhibitors in the new SYSTEMS & COMPONENTS Forestry by DLG supplier area, drew a positive conclusion:

“We are very satisfied with INTERFORST 2026. The event provided an excellent opportunity to meet customers and key decision-makers, strengthen relationships and engage in valuable discussions about the future of forestry.”

Petra Hess, Project Director of INTERFORST, added:
“Together with DLG, we successfully brought suppliers and forestry machinery manufacturers closer together through SYSTEMS & COMPONENTS Forestry. The new format adds an important perspective to INTERFORST and offers significant potential for the future.”

Outlook
The premiere of SYSTEMS & COMPONENTS Forestry within the framework of INTERFORST provides a foundation for the further development of this format. The next opportunity for innovative suppliers to mobile machinery and OEMs to meet will be SYSTEMS & COMPONENTS 2027, held as part of AGRITECHNICA, from 14 to 20 November 2027 in Hanover, Germany.

About INTERFORST 2026

From 15 to 18 October 2026, 400 companies from 28 countries presented products and solutions for forestry and forestry technology. INTERFORST 2026 was held under the motto “Shaping Forests Together, Leveraging Diversity, Securing the Future.” Around 42,000 visitors attended the four-day event at Messe München in Germany where they experienced innovations and trends related to the key themes of Healthy Forests for the Future, People in Focus, New Paths in Forestry Technology, and Digitalization in Forestry & Wood.

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DLG. Progress and sustainability in the agriculture and food industry

The DLG (German Agricultural Society), founded in 1885 by Max Eyth, stands for productivity and sustainability in innovation-driven improvements in agriculture and the food chain. The aim of the DLG is to promote progress through the transfer of knowledge - especially with regard to technology and quality control. Non-profit, politically independent and with an international network, the DLG has more than 30,000 members worldwide.

As one of the leading organizations in its sector, the DLG not only organizes trade fairs and events in the fields of agriculture and food technology but also tests food, agricultural technology and equipment. With its competence centers for agriculture and food, its demonstration farm where practical trials take place along with its numerous publications, the DLG continually promotes independent knowledge transfer. In addition, the DLG works on numerous national and international committees of experts to develop solutions for the challenges facing agriculture and the food industry.

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