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Hagerbach NXT 50 Festival - fireworks of the future

Flums, May 25, 2021 - "It is about time for sustainable, future-oriented innovations." Felix Amberg (President Hagerbach Test Gallery and owner of Amberg Group) on receiving the 2019 STUVA Award. Hagerbach Test Gallery (VSH) is planning a hybrid event for its 50th anniversary on Friday, June 18, 2021, which will showcase in a real, virtual and digital way how VSH, its shareholders and partners want to be on the road in the next 50 years. The outlook on the next 50 years (NXT 50) will ignite fireworks of the future as a highlight - real, digital and virtual!

The Hagerbach Test Gallery is considered a pioneer in the technological research and development of underground structures, and the approx. 5.5 km of widely ramified tunnel system that has been created over the last 50 years bears witness to this.

Exciting presentations, round tables and acts

On the main stage, you can expect a varied program with international contributions on current topics such as the use of digital twins, the implementation of sustainable goals or the closing of circles through resource-saving solutions for futureproof social development. All speeches, round tables and presentations will be streamed live online.

One of the highlights is certainly the appearance of Reinhold Messner, whom we welcome as keynote speaker on the topic "Driving the NXT 50 for a sustainable world" with the potential of the mountain in mind, of course.

The launch ceremony of "Mission Earth First" and insights into the project "Vision Campus Ostschweiz" or also the Online-Voting for the best Start-Up Pitches of the "Mars Habitat Challenge" should not be missed. How will the future survival of mankind be ensured and what could a snow sports facility in a mountain look like?

You will learn all this and even more exciting lectures at our Hagerbach NXT 50 Festival. The event will be moderated by Miriam Rickli, the opening will be at 08:00 CET/Zurich.

Exhibition "Inspiration Underground - real, digital and virtual".

The main program will be accompanied by an exhibition. Both long-standing partners such as ACO, SIKA, IMPLENIA, CREABETON, ELKUCH, AMBERG and others, as well as new contacts will present innovations for the world of tomorrow. Live streams directly from the tunnel, as well as digital recordings and live chats, allow an extremely varied and exciting program.

Find out on site how 3D concrete printing creates advantages for tunnel construction, get to know the Test Gallery from a different side during a guided tour or have exciting conversations in our Networking Lounge. The event onsite respects of course the governmental requirements due to COVID-19.

For more information, visit our website, follow our social media channels or contact us:

https://nxt50.hagerbach.ch/nxt-50/hagerbach-nxt-50/

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About the Hagerbach Test Gallery

The Hagerbach Test Gallery is a fascinating world underground.

The multitude of tunnels, caverns, test fields, laboratories and training rooms offer ideal conditions for research, development, testing, 1:1 trials and events of all kinds. A fantastic constellation that is unparalleled.

Specialists from all over the world use the environment as a training camp and research laboratory. The VSH works on its own developments as well as on behalf of and in cooperation with companies, associations and research institutes. The cooperation in national and European research projects provides the employees with a broad knowledge base.

Experience special insights into groundbreaking achievements in mining and tunneling and the exploration of new spaces underground. VSH has been at the cutting edge of technology since its inception in 1970. Quality, competence, flexibility and experience are highly appreciated by its business partners, ensuring that VSH will always be worth a try in the future.

Pictures

Picture 1: Hagerbach NXT 50 Festival



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Picture 2: Highway Profile of the Hagerbach Test Gallery



Picture 3: Working in the Hagerbach Test Gallery



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