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EUROCARBODY 2026

28th Global Car Body Benchmarking Conference

October 20 – 22, 2026

Bad Nauheim (Germany) | online

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MONDAY | **OCTOBER 19**

AWARD PRESENTATIONS

6.00 – 8.00 pm **Welcome Reception**
Collect your conference materials and meet your international peers in a relaxed atmosphere on the evening before the conference starts.

TUESDAY | **OCTOBER 20**

7.30 am **Conference registration and exhibition opens**

8.00 am **SNEAK PREVIEW**
Tuesday's speaker teams will be available at their car body to answer your first questions.

9.00 am **Welcome and Conference Introduction**
Dr. Dirk Meine, Dr. Sibylle Freitag, Automotive Circle, DE

9.30 am **CAR BODY PRESENTATION 1: AUDI Q7**
Technical presentation incl. body-in-white exhibit – not in the competition –
Jochen Döll, Stefan Medynska, Frank Thalheimer

11.00 am **Coffee break / Time to visit the exhibition**

11.15 am **CAR BODY PRESENTATION 2: GEELY GALAXY BATTLESHIP 700**
Technical presentation incl. body-in-white exhibit
Tianqi Li, Kennet Petterson, Qi Quan

12.45 pm **Business Lunch / New Car Show / Time to visit the exhibition**

2.30 pm **CAR BODY PRESENTATION 3: TOYOTA RAV4**
Technical presentation incl. body-in-white exhibit
Ryutaro Shiraishi, Takahiro Ueda, Masayoshi Wadamori

4.00 pm **Coffee break / Time to visit the exhibition**

4.15 pm **CAR BODY PRESENTATION 4: BMW X5**
Technical presentation incl. body-in-white exhibit
Alexander Biere, Marcus Plitt, Roland Rill

6.00 pm **Get-Together in the exhibition area**

7.00 pm **EUROCARBODY NIGHT**

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WEDNESDAY | **OCTOBER 21**

AWARD PRESENTATIONS

7.00 am	**Conference desk and exhibition opens**
7.30 am	**SNEAK PREVIEW** Wednesday's speaker teams will be available at their car body to answer your first questions.
8.00 am	**CAR BODY PRESENTATION 5: CUPRA RAVAL** Technical presentation incl. body-in-white exhibit Christof Bühring, Miguel Àngel Ascudero, José Manuel Rio, Eike Schuppert
9.30 am	**Coffee break / Time to visit the exhibition**
9.45 am	**CAR BODY PRESENTATION 6: VOLVO EX60** Technical presentation incl. body-in-white exhibit Madeleine Kling, Erik Hoksrød Lexberg, Sandeep Shetty
11.15 am	**Coffee break / Time to visit the exhibition**
11.30 am	**CAR BODY PRESENTATION 7: RENAULT ALPINE A390** Technical presentation incl. body-in-white exhibit Franck Le-Neve, Denis Rioual, Jean-Yves Rouviere
1.15 pm	**Business Lunch / New Car Show / Time to visit the exhibition**
2.45 pm	**CAR BODY PRESENTATION 8: RANGE ROVER ELECTRIC** Technical presentation incl. body-in-white exhibit
4.15 pm	**Coffee break / Time to visit the exhibition**
4.30 pm	**CAR BODY PRESENTATION 9: KIA PV5** Technical presentation incl. body-in-white exhibit Hoyeon Kim, Sunjoo Moon, Rolf Verhoeven
6.15 pm	**Get-Together in the exhibition area**
7.00 pm	**NETWORKING NIGHT**

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THURSDAY | **OCTOBER 22**

AWARD PRESENTATIONS

7.00 am **Conference desk and exhibition opens**

7.30 am **SNEAK PREVIEW**
Thursday's speaker teams will be available at their car body to answer your first questions.

8.00 am **CAR BODY PRESENTATION 10: ŠKODA PEAQ**
Technical presentation incl. body-in-white exhibit
Filip Kuřík, Oldřich Kvaizar, Jiří Učeň

9.30 am **Coffee break / Time to visit the exhibition**

9.45 am **CAR BODY PRESENTATION 11: BYD DENZA Z**
Technical presentation incl. body-in-white exhibit
Shan Huang, Zihao Pu, Junfei Yan, Siqi Xu

11.15 am **Coffee break / Time to visit the exhibition**

11.30 am **CAR BODY PRESENTATION 12: JAGUAR LAND ROVER TYPE 01**
Technical presentation incl. body-in-white exhibit

1.00 pm **Business Lunch / New Car Show / Time to visit the exhibition**

2.00 am **Stellantis Alumobility STLA M multi-powertrain platform study focused on mass reduction**
Christof Patois, Mattheiu Barbier, Alex Gaida, Prof. Mark White

3.00 pm **EUROCARBODY AWARD CEREMONY**
Announcement and bestowal of the EuroCarBody Awards 2026

3.30 pm **End of conference**

(Subject to change – status as of August, 2026)

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WHAT TO EXPECT **AT EUROCARBODY**

OEM CAR BODY PRESENTATIONS

Recently launched car body projects will be featured at EuroCarBody 2026. Each of these car bodies will be explained in detail via

- a 50-minute technical presentation given by the corresponding OEM developers, covering all important aspects of the car body's development, construction and production. Presenters may choose to include some technological "Deep Dives" into specific aspects of the car body project, which will be addressed in greater detail.
- a 40-minute public and individual Q&A session of the speakers with the audience, assembled around the corresponding body-in-white exhibit, forming the "Automotive Circle"!

BODY-IN-WHITE EXHIBITION

Car bodies presented will be exhibited and available for individual inspection by all conference participants during all three conference days.

SNEAK PREVIEW

Meet the OEM speaker teams at their body-in-white exhibit, even before their presentation: For the Sneak Preview, the speaker teams of the designated presentation day will be available at their car body one hour before the start of the conference day to answer your first questions and provide first explanations.

NEW CAR SHOW

Inspect the full vehicles that correspond to the car bodies presented: During every lunch break, the full vehicles will be opened and can be inspected by everyone. Speakers and Advisory Board members will be available for demonstrations and further questions. Use this opportunity to study the implementation of the car body in the full vehicle and to widen your knowledge and contacts.

NETWORKING

With its unique audience of car body engineering experts from all over the world, EuroCarBody offers ample opportunity for networking and an intensive exchange of views and information – especially during the informal evening events of the first two conference days.

EUROCARBODY AWARDS

An inherent part of the EuroCarBody conference is the bestowal of the EuroCarBody Awards, the highest accolade in car body engineering worldwide. The Award winners are determined by a vote on five technical categories and will be announced at the end of the conference.

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