The new ITB Virtual Reality Lab in hall 10.2 is the platform for providers and users of virtual and augmented reality applications in the fields of Tourism and Marketing.

- Market insights into the latest technologies and projects on stage
- Exchanging ideas and trends in the Networking area
- Experiencing technologies at the exhibitor booths

## Events

### March 6, 2019

**11:00 - 11:30**

**DESTINATION VR**

Experiences in newly created realities between sales promotion and independent worlds. An introduction with many examples and an outlook on the ITB VR Lab's three-day program.

**Speaker:**

- Robert Eysoldt, Creative Consultant, ZEROOVERHEAD CONSULTING

**11:30 - 12:00**

**The use of augmented reality and virtual reality for immersive tourism experiences**

The CreativeARVR Hub will introduce AR and VR for the tourism and cultural heritage context, discuss its opportunities and challenges and provide a number of use cases, its outcomes and lessons learned. Future scenarios and possible developments will be highlighted as part of this talk.

**Speaker:**

- Dr. Mandy tom Dieck, Project Manager, Creative AR & VR Hub, Manchester Metropolitan University
- Dr. Timothy Jung, Founder and Director, Creative AR & VR Hub, Manchester Metropolitan University

**13:30 - 14:00**

**Effectively implementing virtual reality in the travel industry**

VR is a miracle for the travel industry, but how can it be implemented effectively and fairly for all travel businesses.

**Speaker:**

- Adrian Kalcic, Jump tp

**14:00 - 14:30**
UFA – der begehbare Film

A particularly forward-looking technology is walk-in or volumetric film. The special feature of this new medium is that the action is shown in a 3-dimensional environment. The viewer can move freely around the real actors and watch them play from every direction, thus becoming part of the film scene.

Volumetric Video is considered the next major evolution in media production worldwide. Particularly in the context of the rapid market developments of virtual reality (VR) and augmented reality (AR), Volumetric Video is currently developing into a key technology.

Speaker:

Frank Govaere, VFX Supervisor, UFA GmbH

14:30 - 15:00
Virtual Reality in the Tourism Sector – Established Applications and Case Studies

Synopsis: This lecture is dedicated to the various fields of application of Virtual Reality in the tourism industry. It will cover a wide range from VR applications in B2B contexts to in-flight entertainment and sight-seeing tours. Using practical examples, possibilities and challenges will be illustrated and discussed.

Speaker:

Sönke Kirchhof, CEO, INVR.SPACE GmbH

15:00 - 15:30
VR Raffle

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March 7, 2019

11:00 - 11:30
VR Trends im Tourismus

Speaker:

Michael Faber, Tourismuszukunft

11:30 - 12:00
Augmented Reality Games meet Tourism

Ingress Agents and Pokémon GO Trainers - traveling the world with the help of AR games. How Niantic manages to motivate players to travel to other countries and cities and what the tourism industry can learn from it.

Speaker:

Anne Beuttenmüller, Head of Marketing EMEA, Niantic Inc.

12:00 - 12:30
Digitalisierung auf Messen und Events - Stand der Dinge unter besonderer Berücksichtigung von AR und VR
14:00 - 14:30
**Virtual Timetravel: A new way to experience history**

We create smart tourism experiences to make tourists to travel in time. Refering to our project in Luxembourg we will show you what is possible today and what we believe is possible tomorrow. Guy Breden from the city of Luxembourg will also join us to represent the customers site. He will explain why Luxembourg supports this project and took the decision to include VR and AR in their smart city concept.

**Speaker:**
- Prof. Dr. Cornelia Zanger, Inhaberin des Lehrstuhls für Marketing und Handelsbetriebslehre, TU Chemnitz
- David Ruetz, Head ot ITB, Messe Berlin/ITB

14:30 - 15:00
**Immersion: ein besonders Erlebnis!?**

People always experience, people discover always in their own worlds, people are always in something - because people are very specifically equipped reception organisms. The lecture gets to the bottom of the topic immersion, asks for the equipment of the human being, looks at what constitutes immersion beyond technology. What can the brain do, what is the body? What are they doing with us? Why does our brain enjoy ideas, why would it be entertained? Dream, nightmare, media - all immersion preparers, to give us pleasure and to engage us. Today on technically advanced channels - rail fiction prophecies greet: from Matrix to spaceship Enterprise the journey goes through endless immersion worlds. The tourist worlds are just one of them.

**Speaker:**
- Johannes Berdin, CEO, Urban Timetravel S.A, Urban Time Travel
- Guy Breden, Projektleiter VR-Timetravel Luxembourg

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March 8, 2019

11:00 - 11:30
**New Realities in Tourism – from Sales to VR In-flight Entertainment**

3spin, entirely focused on virtual and augmented reality, works with numerous tourism & travel companies such as Lufthansa, Sixt & Visit California. In this slot Thomas Hoger, one of 3spin's owners, talks about how VR drives sales and creates game changing customer benefits. He will also provide an outlook on where this journey may take us in the future.

**Speaker:**
- Thomas Hoger, Co-Inhaber, 3spin
Exploring Virtual Location Techniques for VR/AR

In this talk, we will give an overview over current VR/AR research in the DE:HIVE institute at the HTW Berlin regarding location scanning and VR/AR interaction techniques and how they may apply to the tourism industry.

Speaker:
- Sebastian Plesch, Research Associate at the HTW Berlin, HTW Berlin

14:00 - 14:30
Destinationsmarketing in VR für das Reiselnd Deutschland mit Beethoven VR

Speaker:
- Thomas Bedenk, Director Immersive Media, EXOZET

14:30 - 15:00
Casestudy - Virtual Reality in der Kreuzfahrtbranche

Speaker:
- Andreas Weigel, CEO, digitnetmedia

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