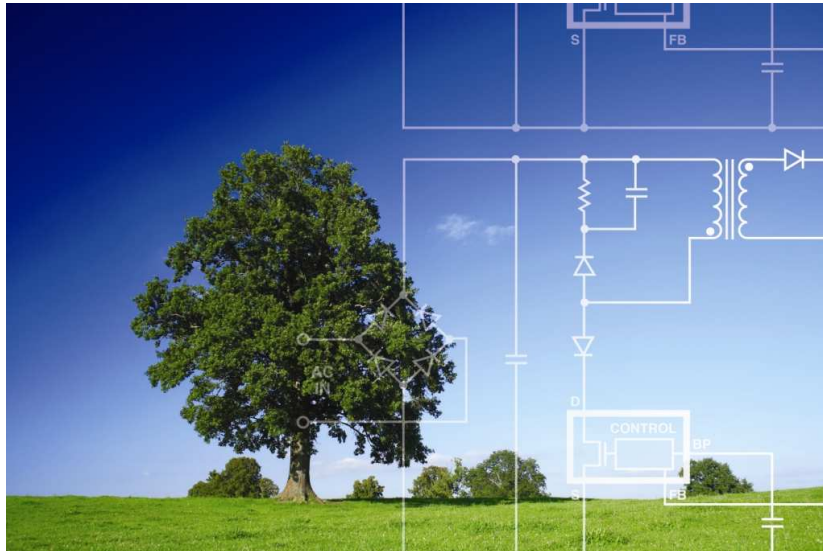


Learn How to Achieve Efficient Power Solutions with Avnet Abacus

Free European seminar series sponsored by leading suppliers of Power solutions



Poing, Germany, July 2011 - Avnet Abacus, one of Europe's leading interconnect, passive, electromechanical and power distributors, is teaming up with some of the world's leading manufacturers of power components to deliver a series of free technical seminars in five locations across Europe focused on the difficult challenges that face power system design engineers.

In the one-day sessions, Avnet Abacus and its franchises Aimtec, Cymbet, Emerson, Enpiron, Excelsys, Murata Power Solutions, Power Integrations, and Schaffner will provide an overview of environmental and energy efficient directives impacting power supply design. Explains Cor van Dam, Avnet Abacus' European Marketing Director: "Efficient use of power is a challenge that affects everyone. There are many issues: new mandatory regulations will require standby (no-load) energy consumption to approach Zero watts; consumers demands that battery-powered devices have a long life between recharging; &LED lighting systems must be powered correctly or the benefits are wasted. Our seminar series will address these topics and many more, and we encourage design engineers to raise their own specific areas of interest during the extensive Q&A sessions with technical representatives from the participating companies."



Suppliers of associated power products including TE Connectivity, Molex and Pulse will also be hosting tabletop presentations at these events.

The seminars are scheduled for:

Paris – 4th October, Novotel Charenton

Milan – 12th October, Avnet Abacus office

Stuttgart – 20th October, Avnet Abacus office

Munich – 25th October, Avnet Abacus office

Newbury – 3rd November, Avnet Abacus office

Design engineers are invited to register for the free seminars by visiting www.avnet.abacus.eu/power or calling +44 (0) 1628 512940

About Avnet Abacus

Avnet Abacus is a pan-European demand creation distributor specialising in interconnect, passive, electromechanical, power supply and battery products. Avnet Abacus' extensive product range and exceptional linecard is supported by a team of over 50 product specialists based across Europe, delivering technical expertise and technology focused initiatives. Avnet Abacus is a business unit of Avnet Electronics Marketing EMEA, a business region of Avnet, Inc., (NYSE: AVT)

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