Zünd Technology Days 2026 –
The future of cutting starts here

Two days of live technology demonstrations, expert presentations, and an inside look at real-world production processes. On November 18 and 19, 2026, Zünd opens its headquarters in Altstätten, Switzerland, to industry professionals from around the world. Zünd Technology Days 2026 highlights how cutting processes in leather, textile, gasket, and composite applications can be made more efficient, flexible, and future-proof.

Digitalization and automation remain among the biggest challenges facing the manufacturing industry. Companies are looking for solutions to help them successfully leverage new technologies to support and expand their business models. And that is precisely where Zünd Technology Days 2026 comes in. At its two-day open house, Zünd highlights cutting machine technology, automation, and software solutions that are shaping the next era of digital cutting.

The event is aimed at decision-makers and employees from companies of all sizes across sectors including automotive and vehicle interiors, upholstered furniture, leather goods manufacturing, textile processing, gasket production, as well as pharmaceuticals, biotechnology, aerospace, security and defense. Those involved in making investment decisions will find practical answers to questions of cost-effectiveness and scalability at Zünd Technology Days 2026. Professionals responsible for cutting, material handling, or quality assurance can see relevant solutions in action and compare them directly with their own production requirements in discussions with the experts on site.

Key program highlights include:

- Presentations and keynote speeches on digitalization and workflow integration projects, covering objectives, challenges, approaches and results from the field, as well as trends affecting the industries concerned.

- Live technology demonstrations featuring complete solutions from Zünd and its partners, ranging from compact cutting systems to highly automated production lines with state-of-the-art software and robotics.

- *Inside Zünd* – guided tours of Zünd headquarters will provide exclusive insights into the company's production facilities and show how digital cutting systems are developed and manufactured. A particular highlight is the opportunity to visit the brand-new assembly and logistics building.

Three technologies, one seamless workflow: Dectura
Mind, an exclusive, long-standing partner of Zünd based in Portugal, develops software solutions for digital cutting in leather and textile applications relevant to industries including footwear, fashion, sportswear, protective clothing, and transportation. Technology partner Mindhive, based in New Zealand, specializes in AI-powered defect detection and quality assessment of leather hides. Together with Zünd, they create seamless digital workflows—from material capture and data preparation to precision cutting. At Zünd Technology Days 2026, visitors can experience how these technologies work together under real production conditions through the Dectura workflow. The workflow begins with flawless automated defect detection and ends with perfectly cut leather hides.

Zünd Technology Days 2026 focuses primarily on the practical application of innovative technologies that deliver measurable value. Through practical examples, Zünd, Mind, and Mindhive will

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demonstrate how hardware and software interact and show how production processes can be optimized across different industries. Examples range from AI-powered defect detection to networked production cells, where parts are digitized, materials captured, and processing and parts removal all happen automatically.

Valuable insights beyond your own industry

Zünd Technology Days 2026 provides a unique opportunity for visitors to explore applications and processes beyond their own. Insights into other applications shed light on transferable approaches and provide practical ideas for advancing innovation within your own organization. An approach from the automotive sector can be just as relevant to shoe production as a solution from the fashion industry is to processing composites. Nowhere besides Zünd can visitors experience this kind of cross-industry knowledge transfer with such immediacy. Visitors can explore technologies, hardware, software, and workflows—in short, the entire digital cutting ecosystem—at their own pace and according to their own priorities, directly at Zünd's headquarters, home to what may well be the most impressive R&D and production facilities in the world of digital cutting. This is where Swiss quality, precision, and reliability can be experienced firsthand—complemented by delicious Swiss fare and warm hospitality.

Zünd and its technology partners invite you to discover integrated, future-proof digital cutting solutions in action.

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