

International Gauge 1 Meeting at the Technik Museum Speyer Model railway fans meet to discover and talk shop



Gauge 1 railways are very popular in model making circles and impress with their size.. Source: TMSNH/SP $\ensuremath{\mathsf{NSP}}$



At the Gauge 1 meeting exhibitors show their most beautiful layouts. Source: TMSNH/SP

Speyer. Countless technical details, numerous decorative eye-catchers and lots of attention to detail. At the Gauge 1 meeting at the Technik Museum Speyer, model building and railway fans go into raptures. Last year, after the Corona break, the Gauge 1 meeting successfully celebrated its comeback in "Hangar 10" of the Technik Museum Speyer with over 1500 visitors. In 2023, fans and interested parties will again have the opportunity to discover new things and exchange ideas about familiar things with like-minded people. The area in the Hangar 10 event hall will be open from 10 am - 6 pm on Saturday, 24th June and from 10 am - 4 pm on Sunday, 25th June. The event is included in the regular admission price to the museum. All information is available at www.technik-museum.de/spur1.

For 30 years, the traditional event was one of the oldest activities of the Technik Museum Sinsheim. As the interest in the meeting grew, there was no longer enough space in the old event rooms. Cancelling or downsizing was not an option for the museum team. Therefore, in 2022, their eyes turned to the sister museum in Speyer. "We thought long and hard about what to do. After all, the Gauge 1 meeting is close to our hearts. Since Speyer is not far away, we decided to change the location. This way, the meeting will remain for our museum fans. The large number of visitors at the first event at the new location showed us that the move was definitely the right decision," explains project manager Holger Baschleben.

The exhibitors and dealers come from all over Europe. Many clubs will be there to demonstrate their spectacular and lovingly crafted Gauge 1 layouts. Visitors can browse to their heart's content at the numerous dealers. Of course, the exchange of ideas with each other is inevitable in the shared hobby and talking shop with old hands or newcomers is also part of the meeting.

About the Technik Museen Sinsheim Speyer – from Deep Sea into Space

Supported by the non-profit club Auto + Technik Museum e. V. and based on the motto "for fans from fans", the Technik Museen Sinsheim Speyer have more than 4,000 members worldwide. The financing is exclusively based on admission fees, donations as well as membership fees of club members. All surpluses are used for the museum's maintenance and expansion. On an area of more than 200,000 sqm, the Technik Museen Sinsheim Speyer present more than 6,000 exhibits from all fields of technological history in a worldwide unique variety. The exhibits range from submarines to vintage cars, from the Concorde to the Space Shuttle BURAN. Besides the permanent exhibition and the changing special exhibitions, there are numerous vehicle and club meetings as well as events. Open 365 days a year, the museums attract over one million visitors a year. Our two IMAX large-format cinemas are a true highlight. While the IMAX 3D cinema in Sinsheim – "the cinema with the highest resolution in the world" – shows exclusive documentations and the latest Hollywood blockbusters, films are projected onto a giant dome in the IMAX DOME cinema in Speyer.

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