

# ALFED Events Programme

## Full Listing of 2026 Events



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I am delighted to welcome you to the 2026 ALFED Events Programme.

Our events continue to thrive because of the strength, commitment and collaboration of our members and wider industry partners. Your engagement, insight and willingness to share expertise are what truly bring ALFED events to life, turning each gathering into a valuable opportunity for connection, learning and progress across the aluminium sector.

In 2026, our events programme has been carefully designed to offer a balanced mix of formal and informal settings. This approach gives delegates the chance to network effectively with industry peers, build meaningful relationships and exchange ideas, while also gaining the policy and advocacy knowledge that is helping to drive the UK aluminium sector forward. Whether through structured conferences, roundtables or more relaxed networking opportunities, our aim is to ensure every event delivers practical value and a strong sense of community.

We are also pleased to introduce new and improved sponsorship packages across each event in the programme. These have been developed to provide members with increased visibility and engagement opportunities across the full breadth of ALFED events, helping to showcase your organisation and reinforce your presence within the industry.

I look forward to welcoming you to our 2026 events and to another year of collaboration, insight and shared success.

For more information on sponsorship opportunities, please contact our Sponsorship Manager at [sponsorship@alfed.org.uk](mailto:sponsorship@alfed.org.uk) or our Marketing & Communications Executive, Emily Foster, at [eFoster@alfed.org.uk](mailto:eFoster@alfed.org.uk).

Best Regards,

**Nadine Bloxsome**  
Chief Executive Officer, ALFED

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Sharnford-Upton-Avon,  
Warwickshire



Dusseldorf, Germany



Birmingham, West  
Midlands

# QUICK VIEW 2026 EVENTS CALENDAR

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Lords Lunch  
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**JUL**

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**AUG**



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**DEC**

8<sup>th</sup> - ALFED Board  
Meeting

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# ALFED-LED EVENTS FOR 2026

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# LME TOUR FOR ALUMINIUM ALLIES

ALFED is delighted to invite members under the age of 35 to join us for an exclusive tour of the Ring at the London Metal Exchange (LME) on 16th February 2026. This unique event offers an exceptional opportunity to experience the LME's iconic trading floor and gain valuable insights into its operations.

Following the tour, we will host a networking lunch, providing a chance to connect with peers in the aluminium industry. This event is part of our Aluminium Allies Programme and is designed to support the next generation of professionals in understanding aluminium trading, pricing, and industry dynamics.

- **Date:** 16th February 2026
- **Location:** London Metal Exchange, Finsbury Square, London, EC2A 1AJ
- **Time:** 11.30am - 3.00pm
- **Price:** £30 per person
- **Attendance:** ALFED members only (Aluminium Allies - aged 35 and under)

## How to Register:

Attendance is limited to 20 participants, so early registration is recommended.

Please respond directly to me at [twiffen@alfed.org.uk](mailto:twiffen@alfed.org.uk) to register your interest. A member of the ALFED team will then contact you to confirm your registration and provide further details.



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# ALUMINIUM LIGHT TRAINING

- **Date:** 5<sup>th</sup> March 2026
- **Location:** Bragborough Hall Business Centre, Daventry, NN11 7JG
- **Time:** 9.30am – 1.30pm
- **FREE** for ALFED Members

The Aluminium Light course provides a clear and accessible introduction to the UK aluminium industry. It offers attendees an understanding of how aluminium is produced and processed, while showcasing the wide range of products and applications in which aluminium is used.

#### Key Topics Covered

- Introduction to the Aluminium Industry
- Primary and Secondary Aluminium
- Processing of Aluminium
- Quality and Defects in Aluminium

**There will also be future Aluminium Light course dates coming in Q3/Q4 of 2026. Stay tuned for more details and confirmed dates!**

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# ALFED MEMBERS' DAY

- **Date:** 30<sup>th</sup> April 2026
- **Location:** Bragborough Hall Business Centre, Daventry, NN11 7JG
- **FREE** for ALFED Members

ALFED Members' Day is a new annual event launching in 2026, created to bring the UK aluminium community together in a more informal, accessible and collaborative setting. Hosted at ALFED HQ in Northampton, the day has been designed in direct response to member feedback and focuses on meaningful conversation, practical insight and relationship-building rather than formal presentations or sales-led content. Members are welcome to attend for the full day or drop in around other commitments, making it easy to engage in a way that suits individual schedules.

The programme will feature facilitated roundtable discussions on key sector issues, short spotlight sessions showcasing member insight and case studies, and plenty of time for informal networking throughout the day. The ALFED Members' Day is intended to strengthen connections across the aluminium value chain, increase member visibility, and create space for open discussion that feeds directly into ALFED's advocacy, policy and sector development work. This first Members' Day marks the launch of a new platform that will grow year-on-year, shaped by the needs and priorities of ALFED members.

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# HOUSE OF LORDS LUNCH

- **Date:** 2<sup>nd</sup> June 2026
- **Location:** House of Lords, Westminster, London
- **Time:** 12.15pm – 5.00pm

## Delivering Domestic Demand, Trade Resilience and Industrial Capability

The lunch forms part of ALFED's ongoing work through the UK Aluminium Alliance, which is focused on strengthening UK aluminium demand, improving scrap retention and utilisation, and building greater resilience across domestic and international trade relationships to support a secure, circular supply chain.

As the UK looks to deliver major defence, infrastructure, construction and net zero ambitions, aluminium has a critical role to play. This event will explore how trade policy, procurement frameworks and infrastructure delivery can be better aligned to support British-made and British-recycled aluminium, reduce exposure to global volatility, and unlock long-term investment and growth across the value chain.

### Extended format for 2026

This year, we will be extending the timings of the House of Lords lunch to allow for:

- More in-depth discussion and debate
- Greater opportunity for member-to-member and member-to-policy-maker networking
- Contributions from a broader range of policy figures and stakeholders

### Discussion will focus on:

- Growing domestic demand for aluminium across UK infrastructure and construction
- Strengthening trade resilience and reducing exposure to supply chain disruption
- The role of the UK Aluminium Alliance in demand creation, scrap utilisation and circularity
- Aligning trade policy, procurement and investment to strengthen UK industrial capability
- Supporting UK production and recycling within large-scale public and private projects
- Improving supply chain resilience while supporting decarbonisation objectives



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At Jonas Metals, we make it a priority to attend the ALFED Annual Dinner each year – and for good reason. This event consistently brings together the best and brightest from across the aluminium industry, offering a unique opportunity to connect with peers, celebrate achievements, and stay aligned with the direction of this sector. The evening is always impeccably organised, with a welcoming atmosphere that fosters both professional networking and genuine camaraderie.

**Scott Taylor**  
Jonas Metal Software (JMS)

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# ANNUAL BUSINESS BRIEFING & ANNUAL DINNER

- **Date:** 24<sup>th</sup> September 2026
- **Location:** Crowne Plaza Hotel, Stratford-Upon-Avon
- **Business Briefing Timing:** 10.00am – 4.30pm
- **Annual Dinner Timing:** 6.00pm until late

The Annual ALFED Business Briefing is the must-attend event for industry professionals looking to gain valuable insights, connect with peers, and stay ahead in the rapidly evolving aluminium sector.

This full-day event provides the perfect platform to:

- Engage with ALFED members and industry representatives
- Hear expert perspectives on market updates, transformation, innovation, strategy, and sustainability
- Network with peers during coffee breaks and a dedicated networking lunch

The exclusive black-tie dinner is more than just a dinner; it's one of the premier networking and social occasions in the aluminium industry calendar. Join fellow leaders, innovators, and visionaries from across the sector for an evening of fine dining, inspiring conversation, and celebration of the achievements that continue to shape the aluminium industry.

**Book Now - ALFED Business Briefing**

**Book Now - ALFED Annual Dinner**

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# 2026 ALFED BOARD & SECTOR GROUP MEETINGS

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# 2026 ALFED HSE SUPPORT GROUP MEETINGS

The 2026 ALFED HSE Support Group Meeting Dates are as follows:

- 18<sup>th</sup> March 2026 (In-person at Bragborough Hall, NN11 7JG)
- Meeting Date - TBC
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To confirm your attendance for the HSE Support Group Meeting, please contact the ALFED Team at [alfed@alfed.org.uk](mailto:alfed@alfed.org.uk).

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# Environment & HSE Focus Day

The ALFED team would like to invite you to take part in a Health, Safety & Environment Focus Day on Wednesday 18 March 2026, bringing together practical Environmental and HSE discussion in one in-person session.

The day has been designed to:

- Provide practical, member-led support on current Environmental and HSE challenges
- Share insight and lessons learned from across the aluminium sector
- Offer an accessible opportunity for members who are not yet part of the HSE Support Group to join discussions and understand its role

Members are welcome to attend either or both sessions, depending on their interests and availability.

- **Morning Session (10.30am - 12.30pm):** Environmental Workshop: Practical Support for LCA, PCF & Reporting - Hosted by Positive Planet
- **Lunch (12.30pm - 1.00pm)**
- **Afternoon Session (1.00pm - 2.30pm):** ALFED HSE Support Group Meeting

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# 2026 ALFED EXTRUSION SECTOR GROUP MEETINGS

The 2026 ALFED Extrusion Sector Group Meeting Dates are as follows:

- 17<sup>th</sup> March 2026 @ 9.30am - 1pm (In-person at BOAL Extrusion UK)
- 20<sup>th</sup> May @ 10am - 11.30am (Online)
- 9<sup>th</sup> September @ 10am - 11.30am (Online)
- 18<sup>th</sup> November @ 10am - 12.30pm (In-person at Bragborough Hall)

To confirm your attendance for the Extrusion Sector Group Meeting, please contact the ALFED Team at [alfed@alfed.org.uk](mailto:alfed@alfed.org.uk).

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# 2026 ALFED FINISHING SECTOR GROUP MEETINGS

The 2026 ALFED Finishing Sector Group Meeting Dates are as follows:

- 19<sup>th</sup> March 2026 (In-person at The Arden Hotel, Birmingham)
- 20<sup>th</sup> May 2026 @ 1pm - 2.30pm
- 9<sup>th</sup> September 2026 @ 1pm - 2.30pm
- 18<sup>th</sup> November 2026 @ 1.30pm - 4pm (In-person at Bragborough Hall)

To confirm your attendance for the Finishing Sector Group Meeting, please contact the ALFED Team at [alfed@alfed.org.uk](mailto:alfed@alfed.org.uk).

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# 2026 ALFED RECYCLING SECTOR GROUP MEETINGS

The 2026 ALFED Recycling Sector Group Meeting Dates are as follows:

- 10<sup>th</sup> March 2026 @1.30pm - 3.30pm (In-person at Bragborough Hall)
- 21<sup>st</sup> May 2026 @10am - 11.30am (Online)
- 10<sup>th</sup> September 2026 @ 10am - 11.30am (Online)
- 19<sup>th</sup> November 2026 @10am - 12.30pm (In-person at Bragborough Hall)

To confirm your attendance for the Recycling Sector Group Meeting, please contact the ALFED Team at [alfed@alfed.org.uk](mailto:alfed@alfed.org.uk).

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# 2026 ALFED DISTRIBUTION SECTOR GROUP MEETINGS

The 2026 ALFED Distribution Sector Group Meeting Dates are as follows:

- 24<sup>th</sup> - 25<sup>th</sup> March 2026 (Hosted at Peel Ports Group - Dinner held on the 24<sup>th</sup>, with the meeting following on the 25<sup>th</sup>)
- 21<sup>st</sup> May 2026 @ 1pm - 2.30pm (Online)
- 10<sup>th</sup> September 2026 @ 1pm - 2.30pm (Online)
- 19<sup>th</sup> November 2026 @ 1.30pm - 4pm (In-person at Ragborough Hall)

To confirm your attendance for the Finishing Sector Group Meeting, please contact the ALFED Team at [alfed@alfed.org.uk](mailto:alfed@alfed.org.uk).

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# 2026 ALFED BOARD MEETINGS

*\* Participation in ALFED Board Meetings is reserved for ALFED Board Members ONLY.*

The 2026 ALFED Board Meeting Dates are as follows:

- 10<sup>th</sup> March 2026 (In-person at Bragborough Hall)
- 9<sup>th</sup> June 2026
- 25<sup>th</sup> September 2026 (In-Person at Crowne Plaza, Stratford-Upon-Avon)
- 8<sup>th</sup> December 2026

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# EXTERNAL INDUSTRY EVENTS FOR 2026

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# ALUMINIUM OUTLOOK 26

17 FEBRUARY 2026 • BUSINESS DESIGN CENTRE • LONDON

ALFED is pleased to support the upcoming Aluminium Outlook conference, a new international forum focused on market outlooks, supply chains, sustainability, and policy developments across the aluminium sector, taking place at the Business Design Centre, London on Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> February 2026.

We are pleased to confirm that ALFED members are eligible for a discounted ticket rate to attend the event. Full event details and registration information are available here: <https://aluminiumtoday.com/aluminium-outlook>

#### **ALFED speaking contribution**

Rachel Wiffen, Industry & Skills Development Manager at ALFED, will be presenting a dedicated session on:

- The UK's scrap aluminium story
- Why increasing domestic demand for aluminium scrap is now a strategic priority
- How ALFED is working through the UK Aluminium Alliance to:
  - Strengthen UK scrap utilisation
  - Support decarbonisation of the aluminium value chain
  - Improve resilience, security of supply, and circularity within the UK market

This presentation will provide delegates with a clear view of current challenges and opportunities facing UK scrap flows, alongside the policy, industry, and market actions required to unlock greater domestic value.

ALFED encourages members with an interest in scrap, sustainability, trade policy, and UK industrial competitiveness to attend and take advantage of the member discount and join us there!

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# INNOVATE UK'S MATERIALS RESEARCH EXCHANGE

We are excited to share news of Innovate UK's Materials Research Exchange 2026 (MRE 2026) Advanced Materials for the Future Conference, sponsored by The Henry Royce Institute. This flagship event brings together the UK's materials research and innovation community.

18th - 20th February 2026  
Business Design Centre, London

## Why attend MRE 2026?

- Advanced Materials for the Future Conference: Hear cutting-edge insights from UK researchers across sectors such as critical materials, textiles, biomaterials, polymers, composites, smart materials, and more.
- Investor Showcase: An exclusive platform for companies to introduce their ground-breaking innovations to an audience of investors fascinated by the materials sector. If you are a UK-registered company developing the next generation of materials technologies, [express your interest](#) for the Investor Showcase.
- Cross-sector collaboration: Networking across academia, industry and investors to drive technology translation and commercialisation.
- 1,500+ delegates: Join a large, engaged audience including researchers, innovators, policymakers and manufacturers.

Learn How To Register



The Manufacturers' Organisation

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# NATIONAL MANUFACTURING CONFERENCE 2026

- **Date:** Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> March 2026
- **Location:** QEII Centre, London

The National Manufacturing Conference will take place on Tuesday 3 March 2026 at the Queen Elizabeth II Centre in London. The Conference Dinner will take place the evening prior, on Monday 2 March.

What you can expect from the conference:

- Over 700 delegates will come together to network and gain valuable insights;
- Hear from expert speakers in keynote sessions and panel discussions, as well as diving deeper in a selection of breakout sessions; and,
- Discover cutting-edge technologies, tools, and solutions from leading exhibitors across the manufacturing sector. The conference exhibition is your chance to connect with suppliers, see live demos, and get hands-on with the innovations shaping the future of industry.



# WOMEN IN RECYCLING CONFERENCE

## FOR INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY 2026

- **Date:** Friday 6<sup>th</sup> March
- **Location:** Council House, Birmingham

Amy Bird and the team at Women in Recycling are bringing the industry together once again to celebrate International Women's Day 2026! The event will be focused on connection, collaboration, and positive change across the recycling and resources sector.

This day conference followed by an evening dinner will bring together women from across the industry to share experiences, exchange ideas, and build meaningful professional relationships in a supportive and empowering environment.

### What to Expect:

- Insightful talks and panel discussions led by women working across recycling and environmental services
- Open, practical conversations about the challenges and opportunities shaping the sector
- Valuable networking with peers, colleagues, and industry leaders
- An evening dinner to continue discussions in a relaxed and celebratory setting

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## WOMEN IN RECYCLING



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& RECYCLE



# Zwick / Roell

## UK METALS DAY 2026

- **Date:** 25<sup>th</sup> March 2026
- **Location:** ZwickRoell, Worcester, WR4 0AE

ZwickRoell, in association with the UK Metals Council and the British Stainless Steel Association, invites professionals from across the UK metals industry to attend UK Metals Day 2026. This free-to-attend event provides a platform to explore the key challenges and opportunities shaping the sector today and in the years ahead.

### Event Highlights:

- Expert speakers sharing insights on current trends in the UK metals industry
- Updates on the UK Government Industrial Strategy
- Practical demonstrations on how materials testing drives innovation
- Live materials testing by ZwickRoell specialists – attendees are encouraged to bring their own metal samples
- Opportunities to network with industry peers, partners, and experts
- Open discussions and knowledge sharing across the full metals supply chain, from production and processing through to testing, standards, and applications

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# ALUMINIUM ARABIA

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As the Saudi extension of ALUMINIUM Düsseldorf, ALUMINIUM ARABIA is set to take place in Riyadh, Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, from 27-29 April 2026. As a member of the ALUMINIUM global portfolio of events, ALUMINIUM ARABIA is poised to be Saudi Arabia's flagship platform for downstream aluminium development, empowering the growth and competitiveness of the Kingdom's aluminium industry. The event unites global leaders with local manufacturers and investors, accelerating localisation and industrial diversification. It serves as a catalyst for the Kingdom's Vision 2030 by driving innovation, fostering partnerships, and advancing high-value industrial development.

For exhibitor enquiries, please contact: [carlotta.ferretti@rxglobal.com](mailto:carlotta.ferretti@rxglobal.com)

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# World Aluminium Summit

*London, UK // 12 - 14 May 2026*

**Join the conversations that matter at this strategic annual meeting for the global aluminium value chain. The 31st CRU World Aluminium Summit returns to London from 12-14 May 2026, co-hosted by the International Aluminium Institute (IAI) and the Aluminium Stewardship Initiative (ASI).**

As the industry continues to evolve, this flagship event remains a vital platform for collaboration, knowledge-sharing and strategic direction-setting. ALFED is proud to be an association partner of this landmark aluminium industry event, supporting the conversations that will shape the future of aluminium worldwide.

ALFED members are eligible for a 10% discount off the registration fee. To secure your place, please use the following link and use the code **ALFEDIO** at the checkout:

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# WELDING, JOINING & MANUFACTURING EXHIBITION 2026

The Welding, Joining and Manufacturing Conference and Exhibition (#WeldJoinExpo26) is a flagship event for welding, joining and allied technologies in the UK. Created by TWI / The Welding Institute, this event is taking place at TWI Cambridge on 7 July, 2026.

TWI / The Welding Institute has over 100 years of industry experience and heritage. We have been responsible for innovations and technical breakthroughs in welding, joining and manufacturing technologies in our history, such as the invention of friction stir welding and the first-ever autonomous weld performed in space.

As the premier event for welding, joining and allied technologies in the UK, WeldJoinExpo26 will bring together experts and professionals from across industry for keynote speeches, presentations, and industry-specific workshops, including valued input from bodies including Make UK and Make UK Defence, the Aerospace Technology Institute (ATI), the Royal Academy of Engineering, the Engineering Council, JCB, and the Nuclear Industry Association (NIA).

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# 2026 WOMEN WITH METAL CONFERENCE



Join women and allies in the Metals, Manufacturing and Engineering Sectors for the fourth Women with Metal Conference.

Meet at The Eastside Rooms, Birmingham UK, for a day filled with inspiring talks, workshops, and networking opportunities. This event is all about celebrating and empowering women and allies in the metal, manufacturing and engineering sectors. Hosted by our CEO and Founder Kirsty Davies-Chinnock we are delighted to be bring our fourth conference to you.

Get ready to hear from industry leaders, learn from our professional speakers and connect with like-minded individuals who share your passion for the exciting sector we work in. Whether you're a seasoned professional or just starting out we aim to increase your Confidence, Knowledge and Connections.

Come be a part of this exciting event and help Women with Metal build a stronger, more inclusive community of women in metal. We can't wait to see you there!

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17th September 2026  
The Eastside Rooms, Birmingham



# ALUMINIUM 2026



6<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> October 2026



Exhibition Centre Düsseldorf

Join over 800 exhibitors and 20,000+ trade visitors from 100 nations at the world's leading trade fair for the aluminium industry – a unique hub of expertise, innovation and decision-making power. A carefully curated programme of expert talks, industry awards and themed pavilions adds depth and focus.

Whether you are exploring advances in primary production, recycling technologies, surface treatment or downstream applications: ALUMINIUM 2026 offers the insights and connections to drive your business forward.

**Venue:** Messe Düsseldorf, Germany – Halls 1, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7a

**Opening Hours:** 9:00 am – 6:00 pm daily

**Information & Tickets:** [ALUMINIUM Exhibition](#)

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Exhibition Centre Düsseldorf, Germany

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# UK METALS EXPO 2026

**The leading event that brings the entire metals supply chain together with the worlds of engineering, manufacturing & construction.**

From primary metal manufacturing to supply chain management, design, policy, metal processing, metalworking, fabrication, CNC machinery, surface finishing, and recycling.

**Run in conjunction with the Advanced Engineering Show, UK Metals Expo is a free to attend annual event that aims to:**

- Foster relationships and maximise opportunities across the metals supply chains.
- Advance education, share best practices, and drive innovation in the industry.
- Position the metals industry in the circular economy.
- Showcase top solutions across the supply chain.

ALFED Members are eligible for a 20% discount off your stand space for the show. Please be sure to mention this when booking in your stand with the UK Metals Expo Team.



4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> November 2026  
Hall 4, NEC Birmingham



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# INNOVAL TRAINING COURSES



## **Introduction to Aluminium Metallurgy**

10th - 12th March

x3 Half-Days |  
9am Start | Online

Innoval Technology's Introduction to Aluminium Metallurgy course provides a comprehensive foundation in aluminium metallurgy, ideal for engineers, technicians, and professionals working across the aluminium value chain. Delivered live online over three half-day sessions, this course combines expert instruction with practical insights drawn from real industrial experience.

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## **Aluminium Rolling Technology Course**

20th - 24th April

x5 Days | In-Person |  
Rotherham, UK

Take your expertise in aluminium rolling to the next level with Innoval Technology's Aluminium Rolling Technology Course, a comprehensive in-person training programme designed for engineers, managers and professionals working in aluminium flat product rolling. This course focuses on practical problem solving, process optimisation and deep technical insight into both hot and cold rolling, delivered by internationally recognised industry experts.

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## **Aluminium Structure & Surface Essentials (Inc. Workshops)**

9th - 11th June

x3 Days | In-Person |  
Rotherham, UK

Innoval Technology's Aluminium Structure & Surface Essentials inc. workshops course is an in-person training programme designed for technical professionals in the aluminium industry who want a practical, integrated understanding of both metallurgical and surface phenomena that affect product quality and process performance.

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## **Aluminium Rolling Technology Course**

19th - 23rd October

x5 Days | In-Person |  
Rotherham, UK

Elevate your technical expertise with Innoval Technology's Aluminium Rolling Training Course, an intensive in-person training programme tailored for engineers, technical managers and professionals working with aluminium rolling processes. This specialised course delivers a deep, practical understanding of the mechanics, metallurgy and optimisation of hot and cold rolling of aluminium flat products.

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## **Introduction to Aluminium Surfaces & Treatments**

2nd - 3rd December

x2 Half-Days |  
9am Start | Online

Discover the fundamentals of aluminium surfaces and treatments in this highly practical online training course from Innoval Technology. Designed for materials engineers, surface specialists, quality assurance personnel and technicians, this course unpacks how aluminium surfaces are generated and transformed during processing and coating operations – helping you diagnose issues and improve product quality with confidence.

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