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5th HHO Symposium

10th to 11th June 2026

Operation Center, DRF Luftrettung, Rheinmünster

DRF Luftrettung's annual HHO symposium, held since 2021, brings together HHO professionals to discuss hoist operation topics, including new developments, techniques, and safety concerns. This year's main focus is on training in helicopter hoist operations. Check out the program and join us!

Program Details

Day 1

Wednesday 10.06.2026

09:00–09:15	Opening Welcome Jérôme Gehri
09:15–09:30	Introduction Jörg Redetzky & Sebastian Schneider
09:30–10:00	Next Generation Hoists and their Impact on Operations and Maintenance Richard Bryson
10:00–10:30	Coffee Break & Networking
10:30–11:00	Save Communication Benefits in High Stress Missions AXNES
11:00–11:30	Challenges and Experiences in Difficult Situations Mirko Friedrich & David Hierholzer
11:30–12:30	Lunch & Networking
12:30–13:00	VINCORION ERH PremierV - Status Simon Böttcher
13:00–13:30	Training Strategies for Crews in Disaster Scenarios from the Perspective of a Training Provider Steve Barreau
13:30–14:00	Dynamic Team Management in Mountain Rescue Eleonora Avi & Renaud Guillermet
14:00–14:45	Coffee Break & Networking
14:45–15:15	REEL Helisar NGH Roland Mampe
15:15–15:45	Hoist Rescue in Civil Protection: Integrating HHO into Disaster Response Markus Hüttner
15:45–16:15	Equipment for Special Missions Matt High
16:15–17:00	Challenges of Rescue Hoists and Hoist Operations - the Helicopter OEM Perspective Thomas Baumgartner



17:30–22:30 **Evening event / Get-together**
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Day 2

Thursday 11.06.2026

09:00–09:15	Welcome Jörg Redetzky & Sebastian Schneider
09:15–10:00	„Lessons Learned from the Ahr Valley Flood 2021: Helicopter-Supported Rescue of People from Difficult Terrain and During Floods“ Dr. Volker Lischke & Renaud Guillermet
10:00–10:30	Coffee Break & Networking
10:30–11:00	From HEMS to Disaster Relief: „Escalation of an Offshore WTG Accident“ Simon Kremser
11:00–11:30	Medical Evacuation Team Bergwacht Bayern: Preparedness for Flood & Heavy Rain Events Florian Lotter
11:30–12:00	Human Performance, Hypervigilance & Disaster Management Trevor Abraham
12:00–13:00	Lunch & Networking
13:00–13:30	HHO „How can increase Hoist in Disaster Relief Mission“ Sebastian Schneider
13:30–14:00	Hoist Certification and its Complexity Tarek Salah
14:00–14:30	Coffee Break & Networking
14:30–15:00	Getting the Right Product for the Special Mission: Rapid Prototype Development Thomas Knudstrup
15:00–15:30	State of the Art Helicopter Crew Training in a Safe Environment Mayer Christoph
15:30–16:00	Honoring the Participant(s) for the Longest Journey & Summary / Review Jérôme Gehri
16:00	End of the Event



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Further Information and Registration

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Organisational Matters

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- Drinks and snacks are provided during the symposium

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