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Robotiq Welcomes 200 Cobot Experts at the 2019 Robotiq User Conference

2019 edition focuses on application-driven solutions for automating assembly, quality control, CNC machine tending, and sanding applications.

Quebec City, Canada, (September 4, 2019) – Robotiq, the world's leading provider of tools and software solutions for the collaborative robot (cobot) market, will hold its fourth annual 2019 Robotiq User Conference (RUC) from September 4 to 5 in Quebec City, Canada.

RUC 2019 brings together over 200 Robotiq partners, manufacturers, and Robotiq team members from more than 20 countries. Participants will take part in many hands-on activities, including an Automation Challenge, as they put their cobot programming skills to the test to complete assembly, machine tending, and sanding applications.

Robotiq is pleased to have the support of Universal Robots, a pioneer in collaborative robot innovation, as an official partner of the RUC. The event will feature 54 Universal Robots cobots equipped with Robotiq's complete product family, including its world's best-selling adaptive grippers, vacuum grippers, camera technology, force sensors, and related software.

"Robotiq keeps developing products for our cobots that the market needs and is asking for," says VP of Global Sales at Universal Robots, Mathias Wiklund, who will present the keynote at the opening of RUC's second day. "We work closely with Robotiq through our <u>UR+ platform</u> that certifies products to work seamlessly with Universal Robots. It is always exciting to see new UR+ products from Robotiq addressing tasks ripe for automation, especially such as polishing and sanding that are known to be dusty and dangerous workspace areas that manufacturers can now automate with a trusted and proven UR-Robotiq product combination, knowing that their application will work well from Day 1 and on-wards."

This two-day conference will welcome speakers from prominent multinational companies such as Procter & Gamble, Smith & Nephew, RBC Bearings Incorporated, and Fusion OEM. These speakers will lead stimulating discussions based on their experiences implementing cobot technologies within their manufacturing facilities, from introducing the first cobot to large-scale deployment operations.

"The Robotiq User Conference is one of the many ways we're investing in the future of collaborative robotics," said Samuel Bouchard, Robotiq co-founder and CEO. "When the RUC was first held in 2016, we had an ambitious vision: to create an event that motivates our partners about the possibilities of cobots and equips them with the skills to support manufacturers to start production faster. Today, we're proud to see that it's evolved into one of

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the most anticipated cobot events of the year."

As the only cobot event of its kind, participants will have the unique opportunity to refine their programming and cell design skills alongside global cobot professionals. In addition, speakers will lead forward-thinking, inspiring talks about trends, opportunities, unexplored markets and major shifts on the horizon for the cobot industry.

Robotiq's commitment to supporting manufacturers in automating their cobot applications is on full display at the RUC, where the themes for 2019 are *start production faster* and *application-driven learning*.

About Robotiq

At Robotiq, we free human hands from repetitive tasks. Our tools and know-how simplify collaborative robot applications so factories can start production faster. Robotiq works with a global network of connected robot experts who support their local manufacturers.

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