**item Academy – free e-learning platform**

**Practical tips and product guides from experienced users**

**The** [**item Academy**](https://www.item24.de/en/service/trainings/item-academy.html/) **provides flexible, remote training options for customers, partners, staff and anyone else who is interested in this offering. Practical tips and detailed product guides from experienced item experts are now also available. Users will benefit from helpful tricks and step-by-step guides direct from the workshop, which will make their work simpler.**

The material from the item Academy is free. Available in seven languages, it includes online training courses, product guides and practical tips. The item Academy enables flexible further training. In the “Practical tips” section, experienced item experts share tips and tricks for making everyday work easier. The “Product guides” section includes step-by-step guides and tutorials for the installation, maintenance and commissioning of item solutions. The advantage of a digital training portfolio is clear – you can consult the materials time and again until you are confident about each and every step and the knowledge sinks in. You can use your smartphone or tablet to access information and tips directly at your work bench and put them to practical use. item professionals show you exactly how an item work bench is commissioned in practice. ESD-safe design is another focal point of the practical tips.

**The item Academy – tips and tricks direct from professionals**

Mechanical engineering products and applications are complex and their associated functions and systems are constantly changing, which means they need to be explained. Users depend on training and regular practical courses to keep up to date with the state of the art. However, this is where many options based on in-person training reach their limits. Whether due to the current pandemic or because of the internationalisation of teams and working groups, getting training participants together in a single location is both challenging and time-consuming. With the item Academy, each and every individual can work through training modules, access information and obtain experts tips whenever and wherever it suits them.

“The Academy isn’t just of interest to users of item products in the conventional sense. Its content can also be used as a teaching tool,” explains Thomas Hytzki, a lean expert and technical trainer at item. Students can work their way through training modules independently if, for example, they are intending to carry out projects involving item products. Thanks to practical tips and product guides, they see the theory they have learned put directly into practice. Teaching staff can also use the content to further their training or refresh their knowledge. The practical tips and product guides provide them with material, tips and tricks that they can pass on to pupils and students.

Further information about the item Academy can be found [here](https://www.item24.de/en/service/trainings/item-academy.html/).

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**Caption 1:** In the practical tips, experienced item experts share personal tips and tricks that make everyday work easier.

**Caption 2:** Product guides can be consulted time and again until users are confident about each and every step and the knowledge sinks in.

**Caption 3:** The “Product guides” section includes step-by-step guides and tutorials for the installation, maintenance and commissioning of item solutions.

**About item**

item Industrietechnik GmbH is the pioneer in building kit systems for industrial applications and a partner of the manufacturing industry across the entire globe. Today, the item product portfolio comprises more than 4,000 high-quality components designed for use in machine bases, work benches, automation solutions and lean production applications. The company has received a string of awards for products with ground-breaking industrial design and end-to-end ergonomics.

item is spearheading digital engineering by driving forward the digitalisation of processes with software tools developed in-house. The item Academy offers training at various levels, with on-demand training and online courses available in multiple languages.

Headquartered in Solingen, Germany, item has subsidiaries in various countries. Some 900 employees worldwide harness their know-how and passion to develop innovative solutions and services. Twelve sites make sure the company is always close to customers in Germany, with a global logistics chain ensuring swift delivery times for all components.

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