

The Government has failed to come up with a coherent and long-term industrial strategy, so the Manufacturing Assembly Network (MAN) has today launched its own MANifesto.

The group, which comprises seven sub-contract manufacturers and an engineering design agency employing over 1000 people, believes UK industry can lead the world and be internationally competitive. However, to do so, we must embrace the four key pillars of Investment, People, International Trade and Sustainability & Net Zero.

MAN is embracing these guiding principles as both a collective and as individual companies and is urging the powers in Whitehall to do their bit to facilitate growth and remove some of the bureaucratic barriers currently in place.

People

- 1. Direct funding for technical apprenticeships, graduates and upskilling existing staff that reaches all part of the supply chain, in order to futureproof skills for years to come and encourage lifelong learning
- 2. Leveraging of links with academia to attract and deliver more young people into manufacturing and develop the leaders of
- 3. A commitment to equality, diversity and inclusion, increasing engagement with under-represented groups, including but not limited to ethnic minorities, women and those who are less able
- 4. Balanced wellbeing in the workplace and ensuring there is mental health support for all

International Trade

- 1. A Government commitment to support reshoring by encouraging inward investment and subsidising export activity designed to bring work back
- 2. UK Government infrastructure spend to be ring-fenced for the UK
- Increased supply chain security by strategic investment in capability building and attracting global OEM and tier 1
- 4. Easier access to funded support that grows international trade

Investment

- 1. Specialist assistance to accelerate the implementation of automation, digitalisation and technology
- 2. Development of tailored, straightforward, easy to access manufacturing support programmes to replace EU-funded initiatives

- 3. National level R&D investment and product development support, backed up by flexible funding that is free of red tape
- 4. More freedom and funding to support investment in R&D and new product development
- 5. Funded support to aid energy intensive industries to upgrade to high efficiency equipment, and the development of a long-term energy security policy

Sustainability & Net Zero

- 1. New ways of supporting UK manufacturing innovation to create greener products and technologies for all sectors
- 2. Access to investment to make factories greener and support to accelerate industrial decarbonisation
- **3.** A national business energy efficiency programme to help UK manufacturers beat the energy crisis and decarbonise

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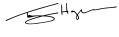


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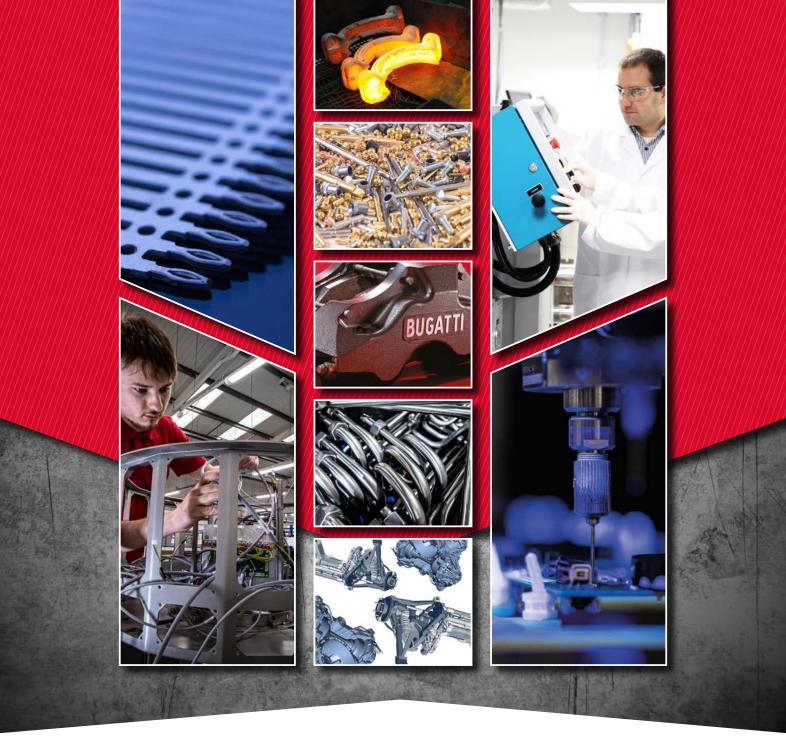


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