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LARGEST WELDING EXPOSITION IN LATIN AMERICA COMES TO MONTERREY, MEXICO

AWS Weldmex Gears Up to Bring Latest Welding Technologies to Latin America

MIAMI, FL., February 27, 2009 – AWS Weldmex is teaming up with the FABTECH Mexico and METALFORM Mexico trade shows to bring together the largest welding, metalworking and fabrication show in Latin America, with over 300 exhibitors and 7,000 attendees. The trade show, which provides an opportunity to reach new markets and buyers in Latin America, will be held June 2- 4, 2009 at the Cintermex exhibition center in Monterrey, Mexico.

AWS Weldmex is a strong informative and technological platform and a meeting spot of experts and business people related to the welding industry. The expo serves as an opportunity to exchange experience and put on show the latest procedures and technologies in the field of welding.

“It’s no secret that manufacturing, construction and energy products are rapidly advancing in Mexico and across Latin America and this is a great opportunity to not only see what’s coming next in welding but to also form new business relationships, problem-solve and share best practices,” said Ray Shook, AWS Executive Director.

Thousands of buyers and sellers from across Mexico and Latin America are expected to gather at Cintermex for the three day AWS Weldmex show, which for the first time is partnering with FABTECH Mexico (put on by the Fabricators and Manufacturers Association Int’l [FMA] and the Society of Manufacturing Engineers [SME]) and METALFORM Mexico (organized by the Precision Metalformig Association [PMA]) to put on a one of kind exhibition.

AWS, SME, FMA and PMA already cooperate on trade shows in the United States where they jointly host the annual FABTECH International and AWS Welding Show, including METALFORM.

For more information on AWS Weldmex please visit www.aws weldmex.com

About AWS

The American Welding Society (AWS) was founded in 1919 as a multifaceted, nonprofit organization with a mission to advance the science, technology and application of welding and allied joining and cutting processes including brazing, soldering, and thermal spraying. Headquartered in Miami, Florida, and led by a volunteer organization of officers and directors, AWS serves more than 50,000 members worldwide and is composed of 22 Districts with 250 Sections and student chapters. For more information, visit the society's website at <http://www.aws.org> and click on "Pressroom"

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