

Conference fees

Early Bird:

Save € 100,00 if you register until 15<sup>th</sup> of January 2022:

- ☐ SPE member € 800,00
- ☐ non-member € 850,00

Extra surcharge of € 100,00 after 15<sup>th</sup> of January 2022.

Conference fee includes Welcome reception, Lunches for both days and Conference Dinner. Hotel room is not included.

- ☐ Spouse's fee: € 200,00 including Welcome reception, Spouse programme and Conference Dinner.
- ☐ Student's fee: € 100,00 including Welcome reception and Conference Lunches.

**Tabletopdisplay**(incl. full conference registration for 1 person): € 1.600,00

**Sponsorship:**€ 2.500,00 incl. a 10 min. technical presentation.

**Sponsorship and Tabletopdisplay:** € 3.600,00

**Please note:** There are limited places available and early booking is advised to guarantee your place.

Sponsors' Dinner  
Thursday evening 31<sup>st</sup> March 2022  
at 'Four Seasons Hotel'

The conference dinner in the evening of 31<sup>st</sup> March is included in the conference fee. Time to relax with your peers and enjoy a first class dinner with colleagues in delightful, traditional Swiss surroundings.

Venue & Accommodation

Starling Hotel Geneva

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Special ETD conference rates have been agreed.



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Further information about the conference may be obtained from

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Trending Topic:

Recycling



Recycling has been a major topic for plastics for decades. When considering alternative packaging, the advantages of plastics must not be forgotten: economical manufacture, perfect hygiene, reliable safety and low weight. Achieving the same level of functionality with alternative packaging materials is generally associated with significantly higher material requirements.

Creating new values

Aside from the public pressure on packaging manufacturers, the industry's accountability is also a driving force. The opportunity: Packaging can become part of the solution – rather than presenting a problem. The legal requirements highlight the previously undervalued meaning of packaging: it can – if intelligently conceived – be functional, economical and ecological at the same time! Products are not only optimally protected, advertised and marketed – their packaging is also integrated the circular economy.



Geneva cityscape overview at night

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Circular Economy – Going Green


This event is the single most important event in the thermoforming calendar and is where Europe's leading exponents in thermoforming gravitate to network with their peers.  
It is an opportunity to learn of the latest technological developments within our industry through technical presentations and evaluating products and services being displayed at the tabletop exhibitions.

The programme will provide an overview of the latest technology

Lively presentations held by an international panel of experts should stimulate lively debates about technical and commercial issues.  
Moreover the conference will offer a unique opportunity to meet colleagues and customers from the industry around the world.

Parallel Exhibition

The conference is to be complimented by an informative and comprehensive exhibition (tabletop displays) of relevant latest product developments offered by a variety of leading suppliers to the thermoforming industry.

 The conference language is English. Depending on number of attendees requesting for translation: Simultaneous translation in French will be provided.

Programme

Wednesday March 30<sup>th</sup>

18.30–19.30 Conference Registration  
19.00–20.30 **Welcome Reception**  
A warm welcome to friends and colleagues

Thursday March 31<sup>st</sup>

08.30 Conference Registration  
  
**GENERAL SESSION**  
Moderator: Antonio Staffoni  
  
09.00 **Welcome to Geneva, Switzerland – Conference Introductions & Welcome**  
Antonio Staffoni (Italy), Chair ETD 2018-20  
  
09.15 **Sustainability- From PS to PET ... and beyond plastic!**  
Laurent Benoit-Maréchal (France), DANONE  
  
09.55 **Challenges of the future mobility and their impacts on Polymers**  
Gérard Liraut (France), RENAULT – NISSAN – MITSUBISHI  
  
10.40 **Coffee Break**  
  
Moderator: Marek Nikiforov  
  
11.25 **Importance of Plastics Packaging: create value, not waste**  
Marek Nikiforov (Czech Rep.), ETD  
  
11.40 **Confronting plastic bashing – How can we make the case for the environmental performances of thermoformers?**  
Sébastien Petithuguenin (France), PAPREC GROUP  
  
12.10 **Circular Economy – a big step forward in China with European technology**  
Gerald Ausweger (Austria), SML  
Frédéric Durand (France), TOMRA  
Christoph Wöss (Austria), EREMA  
Olaf Tanner (Germany), KIEFEL  
Frederic Blanchard (France), SOREMA/PREVIERO  
  
13.10 **Lunch**

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HEAVYGAUGE SESSION  
Moderator: Ken Braney

14.30 **Innovative mass production application of thermoforming parts for electric vehicles**  
Johannes Rosenberger (Germany), PARAT  
  
15.00 **Sea–Doo – When fun meets thermoforming: High tech thermoforming technology for high performance recreation product**  
Claudio Bottos (Italy), SELF  
Kitty Beijer (Netherlands), SENOPLAST  
  
15.30 **Conformal cooling: a breakthrough in mold–making**  
Alban Agazzi (France), INNOVATION PLASTICS COMPOSITES  
  
15.50 **Coffee–Break**  
  
Moderator: Thierry d'Allard  
  
16.20 **Vacuum forming and recreational vehicle issues**  
Olivier Marduel (France), TRIGANO VDL  
  
16.50 **PP based compound for the thermoformingprocess of refrigerator inner and door liners**  
Gilda De Luca (Italy), ELECTROLUX  
  
17.20 **Kepstan: new innovative way of deep draw thermoforming**  
Pierre Gonnetan (France), ARKEMA  
Alexandre Delemazure (USA), WESTLAKE PLASTICS  
Olivier Rodary (France), PLASTIFORM  
  
18.30 Departure for Gala Dinner at ‘Four Seasons Hotel’  
  
19.00 **Conference Dinner and Sponsors’ awarding**

THINGAUGE SESSION  
Moderator: Marek Nikiforov

14.30 **How to put sustainability, the circular economy and design innovation at the heart of a thermoforming business**  
Justin Kempson (U. K.), CHARPAK  
  
14.50 **THE HOLYGRAIL 2.0 PROJECT – how to improve mechanical recycling?**  
Nicolas Lorenz (Germany), PACCOR  
Nico Van de Walle (Belgium), VERSTRAETE IML  
  
15.20 **Newly Process Design Guide for Packaging**  
Christina Busk (Denmark), DANISH PLASTICS FEDERATION  
  
15.35 **Circularity in food packaging**  
Thomas Bak Thellesen (Denmark), FAERCH  
  
15.50 **Coffee–Break**

Programme

THINGAUGE SESSION (sponsors) 16.20 – 17.50  
Moderator: Michel Py

■ **ILLIG** Innovative rim-rolling solutions  
■ **MARBACH** Tooling with Connect/M Tool-Monitoring-Module  
■ **KILDE** Flexible thermoform automation solutions  
■ **KIEFEL** The new machine generation  
■ **RHOMBUS** Know your factory  
■ **LUNDBERG** Highlights in grinding

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Friday April 1<sup>st</sup>

08.30 Opening

HEAVYGAUGE SESSION (sponsors) 08.30 – 10.45  
Moderator: Ken Braney

■ We are **Brett Martin**  
■ **CMS** ThermoProphet: smart solution for a full heating process control in heavy gauge thermoforming  
■ **COMI** The Laborforma thermo-forming machines  
■ **GEISS** Again, one step ahead  
■ **PRIMEX** Possibilities for a carbon neutral HDPE supply chain  
■ **SELF** Aluminium moulds: Engineering and manufacturing  
■ **SEKISUI SPI** Through sustain-ability initiatives and recycling, plastics are a sustainable solution  
■ **SENOPLAST** Update on new products  
■ **SPARTECH** – New Products Market Diversity: Advances in Materials from ground to Sky  
■ **COLLINS AEROSPACE** Investigation into the validation of T-SIM for use in Aerospace  
**Andrew Ferguson (U.K.), Collins Aerospace / Edinburgh Napier University**

THINGAUGE SESSION (sponsors) 08.30 – 10.45  
Moderator: Antonio Staffoni

■ **BANDERA** 100% Recyclate to 100% Recyclable  
■ **BATTENFELD–CINCINNATI** The star-extruder: a reliable approach for A-PET recycling  
■ **CGP Europe** Optiform Plug, no dust  
■ **CMG –AMP** Highest operation performance at the lowest TCO  
■ **CMT HYTAC** Plug Materials: Creating form by function  
■ **DTC Dobringer**Online Thermoforming Academy by DTC

THINGAUGE SESSION (further sponsors) 08.30 – 10.45

■ **EREMA’S** way of converting post consumer material into circularity  
■ **MILLIKEN** Performance additives helping thermoformed packaging to close the loop  
■ **OMVs TechCenter** A fully comprehensive chance to test and/or qualify your products  
■ **STARLINGER** – Circular intelligence: closing the loop in thermoform recycling  
■ **TRINSEO** Presentation

10:45 Coffee Break

GENERAL SESSION

Moderator: Hubert Kittelmann

11.15 **Packaging and sustainability: a retailer’s view**  
Paul Earnshaw (U. K.), TESCO

11.40 **Recycling of plastics, what’s next?**  
Bernard Merckx (Belgium), GREENWAVEPLASTICS

12.05 **Unlocking the full Circularity of Polystyrene**  
Julien Renvoisé (Switzerland), TRINSEO EUROPE

12.30 **Impact of EU plastic waste directive – case study**  
Marco Omboni (Italy), ProMo – ProFood

12.55 Lunch

Moderator: Sven Engelmann

14.00 **Thermoformingof rPET and rPP**  
Thorsten Weber (Germany), DER GRÜNE PUNKT – DUALES SYSTEM DEUTSCHLAND

14.20 **Upcycling rPET: from A to C**  
Alessandra Funcia (Switzerland), SUKANO  
Carl-Jürgen Wefelmeier (Germany), GNEUSS  
Andreas Raisch (Germany), ILLIG

14.40 **Enlarging end of life options by the use of Thermoformable Ecovio**  
Martin Bussmann (Germany), BASF

15.00 **Microthermoforming– enhancing Blister technology**  
Philip Koch (Germany), HAHN-SCHICKARD

15.20–15.30 **Closing remarks**  
Antonio Staffoni (Italy), ETD Chair 2018–20 and Michel Py (France), ETD Chair 2020–22

15.30 Drinks and iPad raffle