



PRELIMINARY PROGRAMME - ANNUAL CONFERENCE 2018

Krakow, 11 – 13 April

Location of the conference:

Qubus Hotel

Nadwiślańska 6, 30-527 Kraków, Poland

Draft Programme:

Wednesday 11 April

14.30-16.30 : EM Board and General Assembly (EM Board Members only)

17.00-18.30 : EP Board Meeting (EP Board Members only)

19.30 : Joint Board Dinner (EP and EM Board Members only)

Thursday 12 April

09.00-10.15 : Europur Formal General Assembly

- Activity Report Secretariat
- Presentations new members
- Votes

10.15-10.45: Coffee Break

10.45-11.00: Welcome by EUROPUR President

11.00-11.40: The Big Data Revolution: How it transforms enterprises

Jean-Charles Cointot

11.40-12.20: Digitalization – Opportunities for the Flexible Foam Industry.

Simon Robinson, Editor, Urethanes Technology International

12.20-13.20: Lunch

13.20-13.50: Software integration along the supply chain – the foam producer's perspective

Jakub Piekarz, Senior IT Manager, Dendro Poland

13.50-14.30: Best case: Digital transformation of Pikolin

Francisco Pineda, Industrial Director, Pikolin and Jan Henrik Leisse, CEO, Bäumer

14.30-15.00: A digital customer journey

Karsten Malsch, Program Lead Digital, Covestro

15.00-15.30 Coffee Break

15.30-16.00: The European Flexible Foam Market Report

Angela Austin, Executive Director, Labyrinth Research and Markets

16.00-16.30: The US Flexible Foam Market Report

Russ Batson, Executive Director, Polyurethane Foam Association

16.30-17.15: The Digital Future for manufacturing industries

Ben Hammersley

17.15-17.40: Time travel: an overview of flexible PU foam with a twist (PCC Rokita)

18.30: Departure for Salt Mines of Wieliczka

19.00: Visit and Dinner at the Salt Mines

Friday 13 April

09.00-10.30: Automotive Session

Moderator: Hamdy Khalil, Global Technical Director for R&D, Woodbridge Group

- **Report from the Moulded Foam Industry Panel** (Hamdy Khalil)
- **Odour and vehicle indoor air quality**, Dieter Holtkamp, Holtkamp Air Quality Improvement
- **Odor control and reduction practice**, Steven Chu, Chief Marketing Officer, Wansheng Co. Ltd
- **Odour control from the point of view of the additives producer**
Stephan Wendel, PUR-Technology Manager Europe, Evonik Specialty Chemicals

09.00-10.30: Slabstock Session

Moderator: Michel Baumgartner (EUROPUR)

- **Air Monitoring of Diisocyanates**, Brueker (invited)
- **Fire Protection in PU Warehouses – High Expansion Foam Systems**, Michal Brzezinsky, Product Manager, Foamax
- **Advantages of Variable Pressure Foaming – The foam producers' perspective**, José Miguel Palao, Production Director, Interplasp
- **In-Foam Printing – 3D printing in Flex Foam**, Adam Pajonk, Dorothee Clasen and Sascha Praet, University of Applied Sciences, Münster

10.30-11.00: Coffee Break

11.00-11.30: Reports from Product Stewardship, Plant and Workers Issues and Circular Economy Working Groups

Adri Aerts, Technical Manager, Vita Cellular Foams and Chair of the Product Stewardship WG of EUROPUR and Michel Baumgartner, Secretary General, EUROPUR & EURO-MOULDERS

11.30-11.50: EURO-MOULDERS Technical Committee Report

Dirk-Endres Hein, Leader PU Technology, R&D and Process Technology, F.S. Fehrer Automotive & Chair of the Technical Committee

11.50-12.15: PCC Rokita

12.15-12.30: Closure

Michel Baumgartner, Secretary General, EUROPUR & EURO-MOULDERS

12.30-13.30: Lunch