



GENERAL ASSEMBLY AND TECHNICAL CONFERENCE

11-13 June 2014, Vienna

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PROGRAMME

Wednesday 11 June 2014	
14.00-16.00	Euro-Moulders Board and formal General Assembly (EM Members only) Location: Danube Suite 1
16.30-18.00	Europur Board (EP Board Members only) Location: Danube Suite 2
19.00-23.00	Joint Europur and Euro-Moulders Boards Dinner (Board members only) Location: Danube Suite 1

Location: Grand Waterfront Hall

Thursday 12 June 2014	
09.30-10.30	Europur formal General Assembly (EP Members only)
10.30-11.00	Coffee Break

<p>11.00-12.30</p>	<p>General Assembly Conference – Session 1</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 11.00-11.10: Welcome (Ward Dupont, President, Europur) • 11.10-11.30: EP/EM General Report (Michel Baumgartner, Secretary General, Europur/Euro-Moulders) • 11.30-11.50: The socio-economic contribution of the polyurethane industry to growth and jobs in Europe (Jörg Palmersheim, Secretary General, ISOPA) • 11.50-12.10: PU flexible foam market report Europe (Ward Dupont, President, Europur) • 12.10-12.30: PU flexible foam market report USA (Robert Luedeka, Executive Director, PFA)
<p>12.30-13.30</p>	<p>Buffet Lunch</p>
<p>13.30-13.50</p>	<p>The EU’s Waste Legislation – An overview of legislation applicable to end-of-life polyurethanes</p> <p><i>Nicole Seidl, Industry Affairs, BASF</i></p>
<p>13.50-14.10</p>	<p>Waste to Energy – A sustainable waste management option – An overview of the sector in Europe and legislative prospects</p> <p><i>Ferdinand Kleppmann, President, European Confederation of Waste to Energy Plants (CEWEP)</i></p>
<p>14.10-15.00</p>	<p>General Assembly Conference – Session 2</p> <p>“Sustainability in the PU foam industry: what is the way forward?”</p> <p>Moderator: <i>Simon Robinson, Urethanes Technology (confirmed)</i></p> <p>Panelists:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ <i>Ferdinand Kleppmann, European Confederation of Waste to Energy Plants (CEWEP)</i> ○ <i>Jean-Pierre De Kesel, Chief Sustainability Officer, Recticel</i> ○ <i>Bart Ten Brink, CEO, FoamPartner Group</i> ○ <i>Frank Grunert, Senior Vice-President, Bayer Polyurethanes & President of ISOPA</i> ○ <i>Peter Möller, Sustainability Leader Bedroom and Bathroom, Ikea</i>

15.00-15.30	Coffee Break
15.30-15.50	<p>Durability deficiencies of foam products under microclimatic conditions</p> <p>Ephraïm Gross & Norbert Vogt, Research Group Physiological Anthropology, University of Kiel</p>
15.50-16.20	<p>Seat weight reduction – The game is not over</p> <p>Philippe Aumont, Faurecia Automotive Seating</p>
16.20-17.10	<p>Sponsors' Session – "Innovation in Production Processes"</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Hennecke's Footprint in the World of Slabstock, Miodrag Konstantinovic</i> • <i>An inside look into today's PU industry trends and challenges for equipment manufacturers, Jan Henrik Leisse and Nina Patisson, Albrecht Bäumer</i> • <i>Impact of machine investment in a foaming plant, Francis Pinckers, Fecken-Kirfel</i>
17.10-18.10	<p>Guest Speaker</p> <p>Michael Gates, Richard Lewis Communications <i>"Gaining competitive edge from Culture"</i></p>
18.10-18.20	Closure (Renato Ravicino, President, Euro-Moulders)
18.25-18.45	<p>Press Briefing (Trade Press & EUROPUR/EURO-MOULDERS Praesidium only) Location: Board Room</p>
19.00-23.00	Gala Dinner at Casino Baden

Friday – 13 June 2014

8.30-11.20

Technical Conference – Session 1

“Regulations – what is coming up?”

- *8.30-8.50: REACH Regulation, are we done yet? (Karl-Wilhelm Kroesen, BASF on behalf of ISOPA) -*
- *8.50-9.10: EU Member States’ recycling schemes for mattresses and furniture: the French example (Cécile des Abbayes, Research Director of Ecomobilier)*

“Plant and Worker Protection”

- *9.10-9.25: Report from EUROPUR Plants and Workers’ Issues Working Group (Wolfram Frank, TC Chairman, EUROPUR)*
- *9.25-9.45: “Use of gloves when demoulding fresh foam – some interesting results” (Erik Vangronsveld, Hunstman)*
- *9.45-10.10: Fire protection in a foaming unit – Scope for improvement (Hans-Joachim Dehn, Minimax)*

“Sustainability in the PU Flexible Foam Industry”

- *10.10-10.30: Chemical recycling, can it validly be part of the solution? (Frank Duersen & Marco Werth, Rampf Ecosystems)*
- *10.30-10.50: CO2-based PU Foam – Prospect of market Uptake (Simon Waddington, Novomer)*

10.50-11.20

Coffee Break

<p>11.20-13.50</p>	<p>Technical Conference – Session 2</p> <p><i>“Sustainability in the PU Flexible Foam Industry” - continued</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>11.20-11.50: The EU Ecolabels for Mattresses and Furniture – Status report and expected market uptake (Mauro Cordella, Joint Research Centre, European Commission)</i> <p>“Product Quality and Safety”</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>11.50-12.10: Report from Europur Product Stewardship and Impurities Working Groups (Adri Aerts, Caligen, Chair of Product Stewardship WG)</i> • <i>12.10-12.30: VDA 278 – VDA 278 new – Results of the Euromoulders 2013 study (Dirk-Endres Hein, Fehrer, TC Chairman, Euro-Moulders)</i> <p>“Product Innovation”</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>12.30-12.50: FreeFoam – An EU-funded project for novel PU foam manufacturing processes with reduced isocyanates toxicity via micro-encapsulation (Steve Moore, British Furniture Manufacturers Association)</i> • <i>12.50-13.10: Reactive nanocomposite foams (Raquel Verdejo, Institute of Polymer Science – CSIC)</i> • <i>13.10-13.30: Foam additives and release agents for the production of low VOC HR-moulded foams (Annegret Terheiden, Evonik)</i> • <i>13.30-13.50: Breakthrough low emission innovations in molded polyurethane foams (Esther Quintanilla, DOW Chemicals)</i>
<p>13.50-14.50</p>	<p>Buffet Lunch</p>