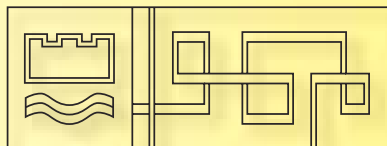




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**International Conference
Polymeric Materials in Automotive
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The 19th Slovak Rubber Conference
15 - 17 May, 2007



Bratislava
Slovakia

POLYMERIC MATERIALS IN AUTOMOTIVE **PMA 2007**

Bratislava

May 15 – 17, 2007

In May 2005, the first International Conference on Polymeric Materials in Automotive, PMA 2005, was organized in Bratislava as a reflection of steeply rising importance of automotive industry in Slovakia, derived from the presence of dominant investors in Slovakia, namely Volkswagen, PSA, and recently Kia Hyundai including a number of other companies – suppliers of plastics and rubber parts being a significant part of them – building up their new facilities in the country. The conference attracted almost 200 participants from 21 countries and was considered as successful by all attendees. The appreciated feature consisted in a fact that, although targeted to polymeric materials used in automotive industry, the scope of the conference was kept highly scientific. Thus, new ideas have been presented, many of these being far away from industrial application, still contributing significantly to a progress in the area.

Slovakia has recently experienced a significant flow of direct investment from abroad. This tendency seems to be continuing as a result of well educated and highly skilled labor force and ideal central location serving as a gateway to Eastern Europe.

Reflecting this development, for the second time Slovakia will host the participants of the International Conference on Polymeric Materials in Automotive, PMA 2007. Similar to the PMA 2005, the conference is targeted on various aspects related to plastics and rubber in the automotive industry, with the aim to exchange the innovative approaches towards new polymer products increasingly having a decisive influence on the design and appearance of new generation of automobiles. Developing goals such as aesthetic appeal and comfort, safety and lightweight construction, as well as quality and cost are affected directly by the material concept and the corresponding processing and product technology.

International scientific conference on rubber, Slovak Rubber Conference, is organized every year by the Rubber Research Institute of Matador Púchov. In 2007 this traditional event will be a part of the second International Conference on Polymeric Materials in Automotive.

SCOPE:

Advances in development of plastics and rubber-based materials for application in automotive industry.

TOPICS:

- **Materials Based on Plastics for Exterior and Interior (tailor-made modification, reinforced plastics and rubber, nanocomposites)**
- **Surface Materials and Technologies**
- **Adhesives, Seals**
- **Polymeric Foams in Automotive**
- **Flammability and Flame Retardancy of Materials**
- **Materials and Procedures for Rubber Parts and Advanced Tire Design**
- **Recycling of Plastics and Rubber Materials from Cars**
- **Advances in Testing of Polymeric Materials for Automotive (new test methods)**

SCIENTIFIC PROGRAMME:

Four plenary lectures will be presented by invited speakers. Two parallel sessions are planned, one of these, named 19th Slovak Rubber Conference, will be devoted to rubber products in cars. In each session few key lectures and a number of contributed lectures will be presented by either invited speakers or by registered participants. A poster session is planned to provide a vast opportunity for poster presentation and appropriate discussion.

INVITED SPEAKERS:

Following scientists have been invited to deliver plenary and key lectures:

Jiří George DROBNÝ, Drobny Polymer Association, US

Voytek GUTOWSKI, CSIRO Manufacturing & Infrastructure Technology, AU

Adel F. HALASA, The Goodyer Tire & Rubber Co. Akron, US

Gerd HEINRICH, IPF Dresden, DE

Rex P. HJELM, Los Alamos National Laboratory, US

Yuko IKEDA, Kyoto Institute of Technology, JP

Joseph KARGER-KOCSIS, Univ. Kaiserslautern, DE

Pieter Jan LEMSTRA, DPI Eindhoven, NL

Vasco PAMPULIM, Recipneu, PT

Hans Joachim RADUSCH, MLU Halle-Wittenberg, DE

Mohini Mohan SAIN, University of Toronto, CA

Robert H. SCHUSTER, DIK Hannover, DE

Maria SOLIMAN, SABIC EuroPetrochemicals B.V., NL

George THIELEN, Goodyer S.A. Luxembourg, LU

Eudovít UJHÉLYI, ZAP Bratislava, SK

LANGUAGE:

English is the official language of the conference. All sessions, documents, proceedings will be held in English without translation.

CALL FOR PAPERS:

Participants are invited to submit contributions presented as contributed lectures or posters. Few key lectures will be selected from this first bid.

ORGANIZING COMMITTEE:

Ivan HUDEC - Chairman of the Organizing Committee

Ivan CHODÁK - Chairman of the Program Committee

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HOW TO REACH BRATISLAVA:

Air connection to Bratislava is possible via Vienna International Airport which is accessible from all major airports in Europe. A regular bus connection from Vienna airport is an easy and convenient way to reach Bratislava; there are 12 buses a day operating in one hour periods. The bus stop is directly in front of the airport hall and the journey takes 70 minutes.

A number of flights from European cities are scheduled directly to Bratislava International Airport. The most of the flights are operated by a low-cost company Sky Europe. For details, please see www.skyeurope.com or www.airportbratislava.sk.

A journey by car or by train is also easy and convenient, Bratislava being only 60 km from Vienna.

REGISTRATION FEES:

regular participant	390 Euro
early registration and payment before March 15	330 Euro
students	100 Euro
accompanying persons	100 Euro

Registration fee includes attendance to all sessions during the conference, refreshment during coffee breaks, three lunches, conference dinner, morning shuttle transport to the conference site.

VAT/tax not included in the fees. The Polymer Institute is not payer of VAT /tax.

Registration fee for a members of Slovak or Czech Chemical Society is 6.500.- Sk

PAYMENT DETAILS:

THE CONFERENCE FEE SHOULD BE PAID IN ADVANCE TO THE ACCOUNTS:

1. PAYMENT IN EUROS

Všeobecná úverová banka, a. s. 829 90 Bratislava, Slovakia

Swift Code: SUBASKBX

Account number: 7000000125 / 8180

IBAN: SK49 8180 0000 0070 0000 0125

Variable symbol: 52007

Beneficiary: Ústav polymérov SAV, Bratislava, Slovakia

IČ DPH: SK2020830702

2. PAYMENT IN SLOVAK CROWNS:

Majiteľ účtu (Account owner): Ústav polymérov SAV

Bankové spojenie (Bank connection): Štátna pokladnica, Radlinského 32, 810 05 Bratislava

Account number: 7000155098 / 8180

IBAN : SK67 8180 0000 0070 0015 5098

Variabilný symbol konferencie (Variable symbol): 52007

IČ DPH: SK2020830702

The Organization Committee would prefer to receive the Registration Fee as a „SWIFT“ payment. The details for the payment by credit card will be inserted on the web site of the conference in January.

ACCOMMODATION:

Each participant is supposed to book the accommodation individually. Preliminary reservations were made in hotels Devin (reservations@hoteldevin.sk, tel. no: +421 2 59985856) and Sorea (hotel@sorea.sk, tel. no: +421 2 54414442). Please, state that you are a participant of International Conference Polymeric Materials in Automotive 2007 when booking the room in one of these two hotels.

Further possibilities for accommodation in Bratislava can be found at <http://www.bratislavahotels.com>

Note that reservations in hotels Devin and Sorea have to be made no later than by January 15, 2007, otherwise the hotels may be fully booked.

Please, let the organizing committee know your hotel selection by ticking the appropriate box in the registration form.

Accommodation will be paid by each participant individually.

Transport by special shuttle buses will be organized from hotels Devin and Sorea to the conference site every morning during the conference.

REGISTRATION:

In Technopol (conference site) Monday May 14, from 14.00 to 20.00

Tuesday from 8.00 till the end of the scientific program

The address of the Conference center is Technopol, Kutlikova str. 17, Bratislava. The information on the details how to reach Technopol by municipal transport or by car will be sent to all registered participants before the conference.

ACCOMPANYING PERSONS PROGRAM:

A program for accompanying persons will be organized by experienced guides. It includes sightseeing in Bratislava and surroundings, such as famous spa Piestany, cave Driny etc. The program will be adjusted according to number of participants, their wishes and weather.

The details of the program as well as fees will be available on web site of the conference in due time.

IMPORTANT DATES:

Regular registration	January 31, 2007
Abstract submission two page abstract for the conference proceedings	February 28, 2007
Registration fee (early payment)	March 15, 2007
Registration fee (full)	April 30, 2007

ABSTRACT PREPARATION:

Instruction regarding the details on the abstract preparation will be available on www.polymer.sav.sk due time

POSTCONFERENCE PUBLICATION OF PAPERS:

The full texts of oral and selected poster contributions presented will be published in a special issue of the journal *Polymers for Advanced Technologies*. The authors wishing to have the paper published are asked to indicate their choice to the Organizers. The instructions for the manuscript preparation will be sent in due time. June 30, 2007 is expected to be the deadline for the manuscript delivery.

UPDATED INFORMATION:

Updated information will be sent to each registered participant by email in due time. It can be found also on www.polymer.sav.sk/conferences.html

The www site is updated regularly in two-week interval.

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REGISTRATION FORM

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Please. complete this form and send it by email to the Organizing Committee. preferably to upolkata@savba.sk

Titles: -----

Surname: -----

First name: -----

Affiliation: -----

Postal address: -----

Phone: -----

Fax: -----

Email: -----

I am interested in attending the PMA 2007, please, send further information

I intend to give a presentation as a

poster

contributed lecture

TENTATIVE TITLE OF PRESENTATION:

AUTORS:

POSTCONFERENCE PUBLISHING:

I am interested in a possibility to publish my contribution in the special issue of Polymers for Advanced Technologies. I will submit the manuscript not later than on June 30, 2007.

yes

no

ACCOMMODATION:

I will book the accommodation in the hotel

Devin

Sorea

another hotel



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