The PPS-38 International Conference, May 22-26, 2023, to be held in St. Gallen, Switzerland

The PPS-38 International Conference will be held in St. Gallen, Switzerland, on May 22-26, 2023 (website https://www.pps-38.org/). The Conference is organized by Dr. Rudolf Hufenus and his team at EMPA (Materials Science and Technology). There are 15 general symposia and 4 special ones. There are going to be 7 plenary lectures, 80 keynote, 430 oral presentations. Abstract submission deadline: November 30, 2022.

The Conference will take place at St. Gallen Olma Messen. There are about 90,000 inhabitants in St. Gallen. St. Gallen is about 1 hour away from Zurich by train, and it is much less expensive than Zurich. The compact metropolis of eastern Switzerland between Lake Constance and Appenzellerland has a charming, traffic-free old town. Colorfully-painted oriel windows are a town feature. The Abbey precinct with the cathedral and Abbey Library have been accorded UNESCO World Heritage listing.

St. Gallen is 1-hour by train from Zurich, Switzerland, the place for PPS-38 International Conference. The PPS-38 International Conference will take place there. A view of the venue Olma Messen in St. Gallen.

The PPS-39 International Conference, May 19-23, 2024, to be held in Cartagena de Indias, Colombia

The PPS-39 International Conference will be held in Cartagena de Indias, Colombia, on May 19-23, 2024. The Conference is organized by Prof. Medina and his team at the Universidad de los Andes. There are 15 general symposia and 4 special ones. There is going to be an effort to have together with PPS-39, the XVI Simposio Latinoamericano de Polímeros, and the XV Congreso Iberoamericano de Polímeros.

The Conference will take place at Cartagena de Indias, a city of about 1,000,000 inhabitants and one of the major ports on the northern coast of Colombia in the Caribbean Coast Region, bordering the Caribbean sea. The city was founded on June 1, 1533 by the Spaniards. During the Spanish colonial period Cartagena had a key role in administration and expansion of the Spanish empire. It was a center of political, ecclesiastical, and economic activity. In 1984, Cartagena's colonial walled city and fortress were designated a UNESCO World Heritage Site.
Cartagena, Colombia, the place for PPS-39 International Conference. Cartagena’s walled city and fortress were designated a UNESCO World Heritage Site. A view of one of the many catholic churches in Cartagena.

**Joint IKV/PPS Symposium on Plastics Technology, September 5-6, 2022, was held in Aachen, Germany**

A joint IKV/PPS symposium on Plastics Technology was held on September 5-6, 2022 in Aachen, Germany. The website is: [https://www.ikv-aachen.de/en/events/symposium-plastics-technology/](https://www.ikv-aachen.de/en/events/symposium-plastics-technology/)

This was the 2nd symposium on polymer technology organized by Prof. Christian Hopmann and his team at IKV.

Several PPS International Representatives participated in the Scientific Committee.

They were 120 participants from mainly Germany and there were 3 parallel sessions.

The Proceedings of the Symposium will be published either by Springer or by AIP.

The Eurogress Convention Center in Aachen, Germany, where the IKV/PPS symposium took place in September 5-6, 2022.

The area in Aachen, Germany, where the symposium took place.

Centre Charlemagne - 15 min walk from the Conference Hotel.
Upcoming Conferences of Interest to PPS Members

ESAFORM
International ESAFORM Conference on Materials Forming
Krakow, Poland
April 19-21, 2023
https://esaform2023.agh.edu.pl/

SPE
Society of Plastics Engineers
ANTEC 2023
Hilton Denver City Center
Denver, CO, USA
March 27-30, 2023
https://www.4spe.org/i4a/pages/index.cfm?pageid=7956

ICR2023
XIXth International Congress on Rheology
Athens, Greece
July 29th to August 4th, 2023.
https://www.icr2023.com

AICHE
2023 AIChE Annual Meeting
Hyatt Regency Orlando
Orlando, FL, USA
November 5-10, 2023
https://www.aiche.org/conferences/aiche-annual-meeting/2023

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If you have comments on how to improve this newsletter or want to share some information in the next one, please contact the Newsletter Editor Prof. Evan Mitsoulis at mitsouli@metal.ntua.gr. The next issue of the Newsletter is due in May 2023.