



# PPS Newsletter

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November 2018 *Information to Polymer Processing Society Members*

## The PPS-2018 Americas Regional Conference, November 5-9, 2018, held in Boston, MA, USA, was a great success

The PPS-2018 Americas Regional Conference was held in November 5-9, 2018, in Boston, Massachusetts, USA, with great success. The website of the conference is <http://www.pps2018boston.com>. The Westin Copley Plaza Hotel was the venue, which is a superb world-class place for such a conference. The PPS-2018 Organizers, Prof. Joey Mead and Prof. Meg Sobkowicz and several volunteers from the University of Massachusetts Lowell made every effort to organize an excellent conference with scientific quality in the presentations.

PPS-2018 maintained a good balance of symposia to serve the attendees from academia and industry. It accepted 218 abstracts from 26 countries, and 182 people were in attendance. There were 25 keynote lectures, 137 oral and 58 poster presentations. There were 14 symposia covering a wide variety of polymer processing topics (13 general and 1 special), and 4 plenary lectures. From the list of participants, the U.S. (91) had the most attendees, followed by Canada, Germany, Japan and China.

The banquet took place at the Westin Copley Plaza Hotel. An excursion took place after the Conference to the University of Massachusetts at Lowell, where the participants had a chance to see the Plastics Engineering Department with all its superb equipment and labs.



Prof. M. Cengiz Altan, President of PPS, inaugurates the PPS-2018 Americas Regional Conference in Boston, MA, USA.



Prof. Sam Kenig from Shenkar College, Tel Aviv, Israel, gives its plenary talk in Boston.



Prof. Sadhan Jana from the University of Akron, Ohio, USA, gives his plenary talk in Boston.



Prof. David Kazmer from UMass Lowell gives his plenary talk in Boston.



Dr.-Ing. Petra Pötschke from the Leibniz-Institut für Polymerforschung in Dresden, Germany, gives her plenary talk.



Profs. Sobkowicz (5th from left), Mead (6th), Hanna Dodiuk (7th) and other participants at the PPS-2018 in Boston.

## The PPS-35 International Conference, May 26-30, 2019, to be held in Çeşme, Turkey

The PPS-35 International Conference of PPS will take place in Çeşme (near Izmir), Turkey, on May 26-30 2019 (website <http://www.pps-35.org/>). The Radisson Blu Resort and Spa Hotel will be the venue, which is an excellent world-class place for such a conference. The PPS-35 Organizer, Prof. Yusuf Menciloglu of Sabanci University, is promising an outstanding conference combining the best of the East with the best of the West. Abstract submission deadline is December 16, 2018.

PPS-35 will be an incredible opportunity to learn, to participate and to network with those who are at the forefront of our field. The scientific program will provide you with the most advanced knowledge and cutting-edge developments in Polymer Science and Technology.

Çeşme is a Turkish resort town west of Izmir, on the Aegean Sea. Overlooking the harbor is Çeşme Castle, a restored military fortress. It now houses the Çeşme Archaeology Museum, with displays of marble busts, metal coins and artifacts from nearby excavations. On the east side of the Çeşme peninsula is sandy Ilica Beach, with warm thermal sulfur springs. Around Çeşme are clear waters and accessible dive sites. The name "Çeşme" means "fountain" and possibly draws reference from the many fountains that are scattered across the city.



Çeşme is a Turkish resort town west of Izmir, on the Aegean Sea. The PPS-35 International Conference will take place there.



Çeşme has a beautiful beach near the Radisson Blu Resort and Spa Hotel where PPS-35 will take place.



Another view of the Çeşme hotel beach-front, where the PPS-35 International Conference will take place.

## The PPS-2019 Europe/Africa Regional Conference, November 18-21, 2019, to be held in Pretoria, South Africa

The PPS-2019 Europe/Africa Regional Conference of PPS will take place in Pretoria, South Africa, on November 18-21, 2019 (website <http://www.pps2019.com/>). The PPS-2019 Organizer, Prof. Suprakas Sinha Ray of the Council for Scientific and Industrial Research, is promising an outstanding conference combining the best of the South Africa Polymer Processing with the best of PPS.

The theme of the conference is "*Advanced Plastics* as an enabling technology for the *Fourth Industrial Revolution* (Industry 4.0)" and it will be held at the Council for Scientific and Industrial Research International Convention Centre ([www.csiricc.co.za](http://www.csiricc.co.za)).

The conference website ([www.pps2019.com](http://www.pps2019.com)) will be operational from mid December 2018 and will become an increasingly useful resource for further information such as the Main Topics of the Conference; Registration; Plenary, Keynote and Invited Speakers; Oral and Poster Presentations; Scientific and Cultural Programs; Accommodation; Transport; Sightseeing, and Others.

In addition to the attractive conference schedule, there will be a one-day Polymer Processing School on "*Advanced Polymer Processing for Industry 4.0*", where world-class professionals will offer training courses. Details will be announced on the conference website.

Pretoria was officially founded in 1855 by Marthinus Pretorius who was a leader of the Voortrekkers. The city is also popularly known as *The Jacaranda City* due to the thousands of Jacaranda trees planted in its streets, parks and gardens. It is one of South Africa's three capital cities and a *popular tourist* destination among tourists from abroad and South Africa. The average November temperature is in between 15 to 28°C.



South Africa with its capital city Pretoria. The PPS-2019 Europe / Africa Regional Conference will take place there.



Downtown Pretoria, where PPS-2019 will take place.



Palace of Justice in downtown Pretoria.

## Other Meetings of Interest to PPS Members

### 2019

18 Mar - 20 Mar

ANTEC Detroit

Renaissance Center, Detroit, MI, USA

[https://www.4spe.org/i4a/calendar/index.cfm?calendar\\_category=2#May2019](https://www.4spe.org/i4a/calendar/index.cfm?calendar_category=2#May2019)

8 Apr - 11 Apr

Annual European Rheology Conference

AERC 2019

Portoroz, Slovenia

Contact person: Prof. I. Emri, [cem@fs.uni-lj.si](mailto:cem@fs.uni-lj.si)

<https://rheology-esr.org/aercs>

24 June - 27 June

9th International Meeting of the Hellenic Society of Rheology

2019 HSR

Samos, Greece

Contact person: Prof. Costas Housiadas, [housiada@aegean.gr](mailto:housiada@aegean.gr)

<http://esperia.iesl.forth.gr/~hsr/HSRwebpage.html>

16 October - 23 October

K-Show 2019

Duesseldorf, Germany

<http://www.k-online.com>

10 Nov - 15 Nov

2019 AIChE Annual Meeting

Hyatt Regency, Orlando, FL, USA

<https://www.aiche.org/conferences/aiche-annual-meeting/2019>

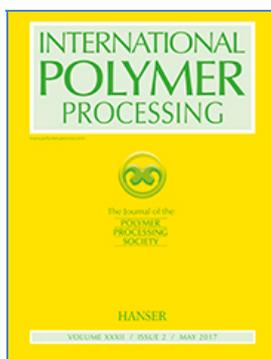
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(by Mark Smith, Senior Editor, Plastics Technology, Hanser)

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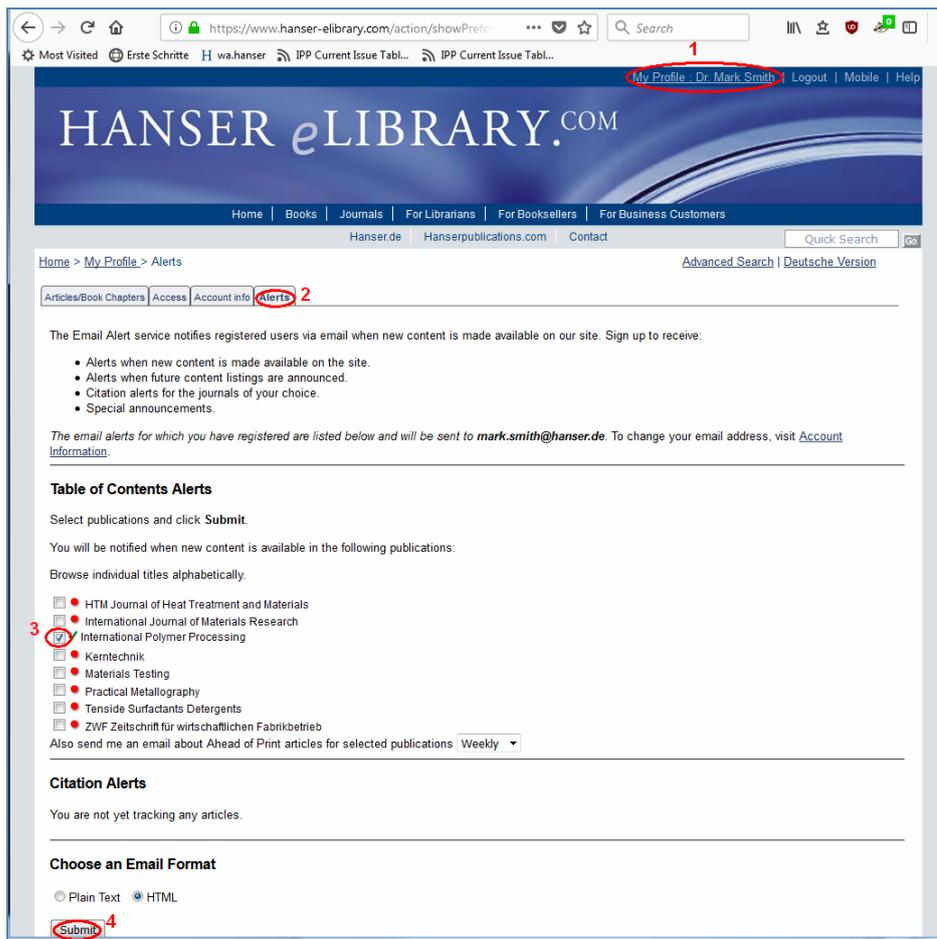
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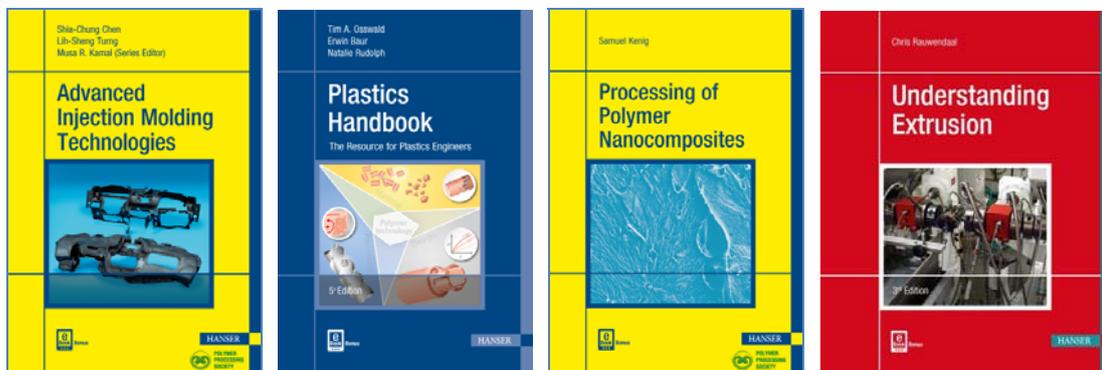
The right screenshot is a 'Publish open access in a HANSER journal – the process step by step' page. It features a flowchart with three steps:

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