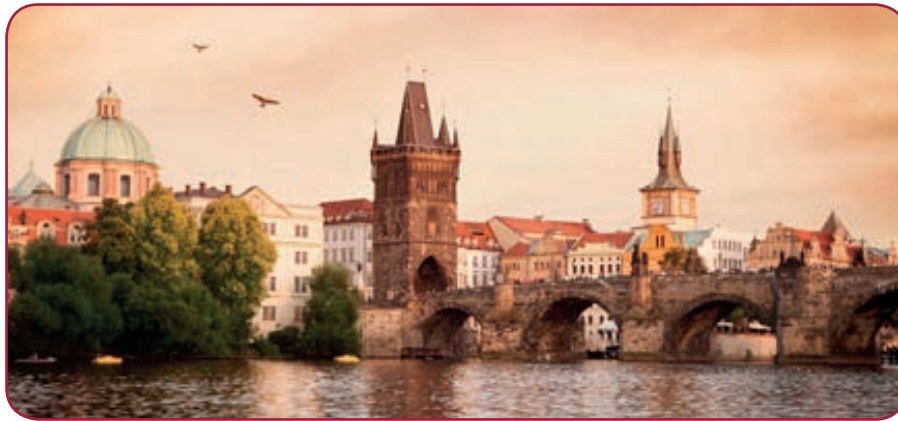


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## 9th European “Thermoforming” Conference ‘Forming a Sustainable Future’



**3 – 4 April 2014 – Prague, Czech Republic**

Conference organized by the European Thermoforming Division of the SPE.

The 4 main Topics of the conference will be:

### **Sustainability, Lightweight, Innovation and Competitiveness**

Further evidence of the ETD board listening to its peers was the inclusion of a parallel commercial presentation session for sponsors of the event, which proved highly successful. This programme allows each Sponsor an open forum to present their new developments to a very relevant audience for duration of 15 minutes. This opportunity compliments their marketing strategy at the event adding yet more value to the package. It is important for us, you and the thermoforming industry as a whole, to benefit from this event and to do so, we need to ‘tailor’ it in the most efficient and economical fashion.

You can help us do that by indicating the likelihood of your sponsorship involvement on the attached slip and returning it to us as soon as possible. We stress that this response would be recognised as an indicator only and without any firm commitment at this stage. The main technical lecture programme promises to be the best ever with a number of eminent speakers. We very much appreciated your cooperation in this matter and look forward to your constructive and full involvement in 2014.

**Marek Nikiforov**

Chair ETD and Conference Chair



## CONFERENCE PROGRAMME

### Wednesday 2 April 2013

- 18.00-19.00 Conference Registration  
19.00-21.00 Welcome Reception – A warm welcome to friends and colleagues

### Thursday 3 April 2013

#### 'Innovation morning I'

- 09.00-09.15 Introduction – Conference Introductions & Welcome  
*Marek Nikiforov, Conference Chair*
- 09.15-10.00 Keynote – “The Quest for Growth” – A tale from reality on business development, innovation and branding.  
*Christian Majgaard, former global top manager at Lego, Denmark*
- 10.00-10.30 Starting our innovation engine  
*Roger C. Kipp, R. Kipp C. Assos., Thermoformer of the year 2010, USA*

#### 10.30-11.15 **Coffee Break**

#### Technical Session (+ parallel Sponsor's presentations)

- 11.15-11.45 Latest Developments in micro-thermoforming technology  
*Roman Truckenmüller, University of Twente, the Netherlands*
- 11.45-12.05 Improvements in Heavy Gauge thermoforming simulation by use of 3D digital image correlation  
*Bart Van Mieghem, KU Leuven, Faculty of Engineering Technology, Diepenbeek, Belgium*
- 12.05-12.15 The latest achievements on Thermoforming Simulation Software T-SIM  
*Karel Kouba, Accuform, Czech Republic*
- 12.15-12.45 Latest developments in extrusion and thermoforming of Liquid Crystalline Polymers (LCP)  
*Camilo Cano, Celanese, USA*

#### 12.45-14.00 **Lunch**

#### Thin and Thick Gauge Expert Panel (+ parallel Sponsor's presentations)

Leading machine builders from the industry will update you on today's and tomorrow's technology of Thermoforming and will answer questions from the audience

- 14.00-14.45 Thin Gauge experts: *Gabler, GN, Illig, Kiefel, TSL (TBC)*  
14.45-15.30 Thick Gauge experts: *Cannon, FRIMO, Illig, MAAC, OMV (TBC)*

#### 15.30-16.00 **Coffee Break**

#### Competitiveness (+ parallel Sponsor's presentations)

- 16.00-16.30 The future of plastics in design and daily use  
*Danish Design Center, Nille Juul Sorensen, Denmark*
- 16.30-17.00 Demand of high performing thick wall packaging  
*Marc Ommeslagh, DS Smith Plastics - Ducoplast, France*
- 17.00-17.30 Injection moulding – Threats or challenge for thermoforming?!  
*Sven Engelmann, Ferromatik Milacron, Germany*
- 17.30-18.00 Update on Thermoforming IML – Early adapters & experts report  
*Coverie Finland, RPC Bebo, Polytype-OMV, Illig, Verstraete, TSL.... (TBC)*
- 19.15 Departure for Dinner  
19.30 Conference dinner and Sponsor's awarding

Friday, 4 April 2013

**'Innovations morning II'**

09.00-09.45 3-D Printing – do you want to learn latest and best from 3D printing?  
David Bue Pedersen, PhD, Researcher at Denmark's Technical University

09.45-10.15 The green side of Thermoforming – Biofilms  
Andreas Hartmann, ES Plastic, Germany  
Johan Declerck, Proviron, Belgium

10.15-11.00 **Coffee Break**

**Technical Session** (+ parallel Sponsor's presentations)

11.00-11.30 Effects of thermoforming on mechanical properties of radiation cross linked PA 12  
Andreas Seefried, Institute of Polymer Technology, Germany

11.30-12.00 Investigating the influence of forming and material parameters on permeability  
of thermally oriented polymers  
Andre Schult, Fraunhofer, Germany

12.00-13.30 **Lunch**

**Sustainability** (+ parallel Sponsor's presentations)

13.30-14.00 Thermoforming: technology of choice for microcars and special purpose  
technology for automotive OEM's  
Thomas Höfels, Senoplast, Austria

14.00-14.30 Planning for zero waste: Packaging success in the new-normal  
Paul Scheers, Pactiv, UK

14.30-15.00 How to build a green Faerch?  
Jesper Emiel Jensen, Faerch Plast, Denmark  
Lightweight

15.00-15.30 Opportunities in thermoforming: structural parts, light weight, esthetics  
Pim Raaben, CNH, Belgium

15.30-16.00 Competitive thermoforming in Turkey  
Yavuz Eroglu, Sem Plastik, Turkey

16.00-16.30 General session  
Presentation of the 'Parts Competition' Winners  
Niklas Magnusson, Chair Parts Committee

16.30-16.45 Close remarks by  
Marek Nikiforov, Chair ETD 2014-2016

16.45 **Drinks and iPad raffle**

## Training Course **HANDS ON THERMOFORMING WORKSHOP** Thin and Thick Gauge

**2 April 2014**  
**08.30h-17.00h**

**Jihlava, Czech Republic**



Peter Lichtherte and other SPE thermoforming experts

Don't miss this unique opportunity to learn more about fundamentals of thermoforming in theory but as well on Thermoforming machines at GN Thermoforming Technical Center. This workshop will not only give you more understanding of fundamentals of thermoforming but it enables to learn about all different thin and heavy gauge thermoforming technologies and as well you will be able to discuss directly details with SPE thermoforming experts.

**Registration fee: €175**

1 April 2014 – evening – Free Shuttle service from Prague Marriott hotel to hotel in Jihlava (1 hour driving from Prague)  
2 April 2014 – 8h30-17h00 – HANDS ON THERMOFORMING Workshop at GN thermoforming Technical Center, Jihlava  
2 April 2014 – 17h00 – Free Shuttle service back to Prague – Marriott Hotel

### **PROGRAMME**

#### **08h30 Start**

- General part
- Basics of Plastics
- Extrusion technology
- Thermoforming principles
- Vacuum forming
- High Pressure forming
- Twin sheet forming

#### **11h00-12h30**

- Practical tests on thermoforming machines with different materials

#### **12h30-13h30 Lunch**

#### **13h30 Start**

- Basics of thermoforming
- Basics of tooling for thermoforming
- Reinforcement of thermoformed parts
- Simulation – Feasibility study
- Importance of Design

#### **15h30- 17h00**

- Workshop
- Presentation and discussion of Cases
- Comparison of different technologies
- Comparison of different materials and its behavior on thermoforming machines

## 5TH EUROPEAN THERMOFORMING PARTS COMPETITION

On the occasion of the next conference of the Society of Plastics Engineers – European Thermoforming Division from 3– 4 April 2014 in Prague, Czech Republic, thermoformers are invited to participate in the 5th European Thermoforming Parts Competition.

Originality, creativity, mould complexity and technical ability will be the judging criteria in order to promote advanced design and developments from a structural innovation perspective.

Entries with **thick gauge parts** will be possible in the categories :

Vehicle/Automotive, Industrial, Point of Purchase/Displays, Technical Applications and Sanitary.

**Thin gauge parts** will be judged in the categories : Food Applications, Medical Applications, Electronical Applications and General Packaging.

The essential points of the European Thermoforming Parts Competition are the design-orientated application of materials and the successful combination of technical innovation and design quality.

Exceed the bounds of materials applications, present new application opportunities, combine the traditional with the innovative, take new steps in combining material and design to present the importance of materials for a design-orientated application: these are the aims of the European Thermoforming Parts Competition.

The award winners will be presented at the 9th Biennial European Thermoforming Conference.

We look forward to receiving your contribution to the European Thermoforming Parts Competition 2014!

More details are available at [www.e-t-d.org](http://www.e-t-d.org).

**Niklas Magnusson** Chair Parts Committee

Information about the Conference,  
the Training course and the Parts Competition may be obtained from Yetty Pauwels

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This will be achieved by providing conferences, training seminars and regular topical news bulletins. It will provide a dynamic network platform and encourage and promote technical and scientific participation by its members

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