# FUTURE OF POLYOLEFINS 2018

17 & 18 JANUARY DUSSELDORF, GERMANY

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- Lightweighting What is the Next Stage?
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- A look into the Future Very long term views

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17th & 18th January 2018

Following the success of its previous editions, ACI's 6<sup>th</sup> annual Future of Polyolefins Summit will be taking place in Dusseldorf, Germany on 17-18 January 2018.

Once again, the conference will look at the supply & demand trends of feedstocks, the global and European polyolefin markets, as well as the main drivers amongst end-products.

Building up on last year's feedback, the event will also take an in-depth look into trends & innovations, new technologies developments and predictions on the long to very long term.

Over the two days, the participants will discuss topics such as lightweighting, recycling & upcycling of polyolefins, the PET trend, as well as bio-based PE & PP, through case studies and interactive discussions led by industry experts.

This new edition will bring together senior executives from petrochemical companies, plastic converters, technology providers, chemical intermediate suppliers, researchers, as well as other influential stakeholders from the value chain.

Join us in Dusseldorf to exchange your point of view with your peers and engage in excellent networking opportunities.

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# **Speaking Opportunities**

If you would like to be considered as a speaker, for a 20-30mins presentation, at the event please submit an abstract for consideration to:

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## **Opportunities to Meet your Target Audience**





Showcase your technologies to the industry and demonstrate the capabilities of your latest products and services; gain direct access to our senior level audience and have an increased level of visibility and exposure through branding and networking at the conference. This will allow you to attract new business and forge lasting commercial relationships.

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## Who will attend?

ACI's Future of Polyolefins 2018 Summit will bring together senior executive from:

Oil & Gas / Petrochemicals / chemicals companies

Feedstocks / olefins suppliers / Chemical & commodity trading / Polymer & polyolefin producers

End product manufacturers / Plastic compounders and converters

EPC / Technology providers (catalysts manufacturers etc.)
Masterbatch suppliers / Chemicals intermediates suppliers
Research centres and institutes

Universities / Petrochemical & chemical consultants

Policy / regulation / environmental institutions

Financial stakeholders: venture capital firms, investment banks, private equity firms

# Registration is Simple

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#### DAY 1

Wednesday 17th January 2018

08:00 REGISTRATION & COFFEE

09:00 CHAIR'S OPENING REMARKS

#### 09:15 **SESSION ONE**

#### Feedstocks' Trends & Developments

- World trade flows of shale gas and consequences on the polyolefin industry
- Cracking & fracking: News and predictions
- Where will the next crackers be built?
- CTO/MTO: Updates and developments
- Using CO2 as a feedstock

## 11:05 MORNING REFRESHMENTS

#### 11:35 **SESSION TWO**

## Overview of the Polyolefins Market

- Growth development in the various regions and comparison
- Plans and strategies for polyolefin producers
- Availability and demand balance based on the main end-market drivers
- Dealing with excess/shortage of polyolefins regionally (predictions over the next 5 years)
- Trade balance of PP & PE for the next 5 years
- What to expect for Europe over the next 5 years? And on longer term?
- Potential new investments in Europe
- New processes to produce polyolefins while improving end-use applications

#### 13:25 LUNCH

## 14:30 **SESSION THREE**

## Lightweighting - What is the Next Stage?

- The basic areas to reduce weight of packaging/plastic parts
- Latest news on the improved margins for converters & brands
- How to balance lightweight targets & target to increase use of recycled plastics?
- Can lightweighting contribute to sustainable products – in packaging & other applications?

#### 16:20 AFTERNOON REFRESHMENTS

#### 16:50 **SESSION FOUR**

#### **Up & Coming Technologies**

- New developments & expectations: catalysts, additives...
- Answering the growing demand of Metallocene polyolefins
- Automated sorting technology used to sort plastics during recycling

#### 18:05 CLOSE OF DAY ONE

#### DAY 2

Thursday 18th January 2018

#### 08:30 REGISTRATION & COFFEE

#### 09:00 CHAIR'S OPENING REMARKS

# 09:05 CONFERENCE PRESENTATION Latest Updates on Regulation

- Waste & recycling: latest regulatory status in Europe? In Germany?
- RFACH
- NIAS and migration for food packaging What is the current status approach for polymers (besides inks & coatings)?
- Food approval for recycled resins?

#### 09:50 PANEL DISCUSSION

Recycling & Circular Economy: Enhancing Sustainability of the Polyolefin & Plastic Industries

- How overcoming limitations of polyolefins, when it comes to recyclability, could strive for opportunities?
- Challenges & opportunities of recycling & upcycling polyolefins
- How recyclability will/can change the converter's choice of raw materials?
- Recycling back to polymers/monomers, separating multi-layers...
- How to handle litter?
- The Circular Economy: Affecting businesses or enhancing opportunities?
- A look at the "New Plastic Economy"
   Each panellist will briefly introduce themselves approx. 5mins, before starting the panel Q&A

#### 10:50 MORNING REFRESHMENTS

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#### 11:20 **SESSION FIVE**

# Focus on the End-Products & Manufacturers' Strategies

- What can polyolefins suppliers offer to endproduct manufacturers?
- Strategic goals of manufacturers to take things to the next level
- Unconventional polymers for conventional applications
- Innovations and new applications/products for polyolefins

# 12:35 CONFERENCE PRESENTATION The PET Trend - Reality & Predictions

- Why has the market shifted towards PET?
- Lower cost of PET: is this the only explanation?
- PET increasing market share: Punctual? Trend slowing down? Keep increasing in time?
- Will PET inspire more innovation & development?

#### 13:20 LUNCH

# 14:30 SESSION SIX

## Bio-Based PE & PP

- Timeframe and likelihood: Life Cycle Assessment for bio-based polyolefin
- Possible raw material(s)
- Overview of bio sources: MTO from biomethanol, ethylene from bioethanol, bionaphtha
- Technology development status
- Installed capacity & cost of expanding capacity

#### 15:45 **OPEN DISCUSSION**

# A Look into the Future - Very long term views

- Impact of new trends on the plastics industry
- Mega trends on a very long term: what to expect for consumers and plastics?

#### 16:15 CHAIR'S CLOSING REMARKS

# 16:25 END OF CONFERENCE & NETWORKING REFRESHMENTS

#### Previous Participants Included:

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£1,595 (Excl. VAT)

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£420.00

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