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**4<sup>th</sup> International Conference  
Polymeric Materials in Automotive  
PMA 2011  
&  
European Collaborative  
IRCO Conference  
RubberCon**

**12 – 14 April, 2011  
Bratislava, Slovak Republic**

Conference Center of hotel Bonbon

First Announcement and Call for Papers

### IMPORTANT DATES

**Preregistration** November 15, 2010

If you want to be sure to get further information

**Early registration** December 31, 2010

Recommended if you intend to present oral presentation and be considered as a key lecture, please, sent a short abstract.

**Notification of Acceptance** January 15, 2011

**Regular registration** February 15, 2011

**Abstract submission** February 15, 2011

(two pages abstract for the conference proceedings)

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In May 2005, the first International Conference on Polymeric Materials in Automotive was organized in Bratislava followed by the second and third PMA in 2007 and 2009. The events reflected steeply rising importance of automotive industry in Slovakia, derived from the presence of dominant investors in Slovakia, namely Volkswagen, PSA and Kia together with 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. Almost 500 participants from 25 countries attended the three conferences which were ranked as successful and interesting. 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.

Similar to the PMA 05, PMA 07 and PMA 09 the upcoming conference PMA 2011 is targeted at 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 cars. 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, was organized every year by the Rubber Research Institute of Matador Púchov. From 2005 this traditional event was organized only as a part of the International Conference on Polymeric Materials in Automotive. In 2011 the 21th Slovak Rubber Conference will be held as a European Collaborative IRCO Conference **RubberCon**.

In next year the International Conference Polymeric Materials in Automotive **PMA 2011 & RubberCon** will be connected with International Fair of Plastics, Rubbers and Composites for Car Industry. The 21th International Car Show AUTOSALON which ranks among significant motoring events in Central Europe will be running in parallel.

## ORGANIZING COMMITTEE

**Chairman** Ivan Hudec (organization)  
Ivan Chodák (scientific committee)

## SCOPE

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

## TOPICS

- Materials Based on Plastics for Exterior and Interior
- Coatings Materials and Technologies
- Adhesives, Seals
- Polymeric Foams in Automotive
- Flammability and Flame Retardancy of Materials
- Materials and Procedures for Advanced Tyre Design
- Recycling of Plastics and Rubber Materials from Cars
- Advances in Testing of Polymeric Materials for Automotive (new test methods)

## SCIENTIFIC PROGRAMME

Limited number of plenary lectures will be presented by invited speakers. Two parallel sessions are planned, one of these 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 broad opportunity for poster presentation and appropriate discussion.

## CALL FOR PAPERS

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

## GENERAL INFORMATION

The **registration fee** is 390 Euro with discount for students, early registration, etc. **Accommodation** will not be provided by Conference organization. Each participant is supposed to book the hotel individually. Preliminary reservation was made in hotel Bonbon (<http://www.bonbon.sk>) – a part of conference center, in which the PMA 2011 & RubberCon will hold.

All necessary information on the travel, invited lectures, registration details will be announced in the 1st circular issued in October 2010 or on conference web site [www.polykonf.sav.sk](http://www.polykonf.sav.sk)

## PRELIMINARY REGISTRATION FORM

Title .....

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First name .....

Affiliation .....

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I am interested in attending the PMA 2011 & RubberCon, please send further information

I intend to give a presentation as a

poster

contributed lecture

Tentative title .....

