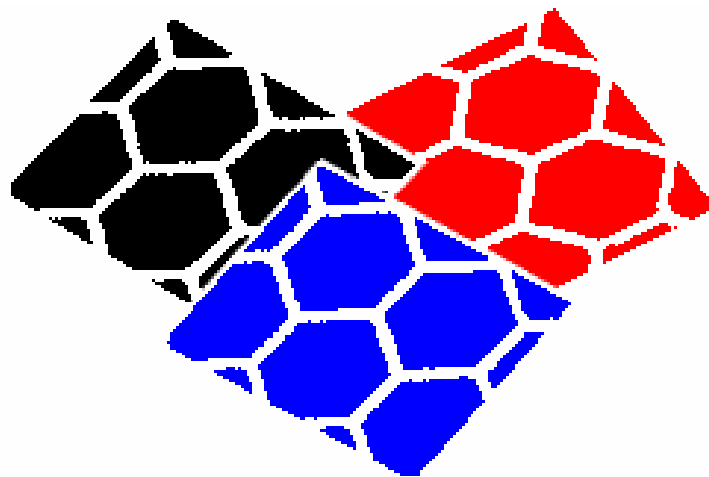


# FOAMS™ 2008

**Sixth International Conference  
On Foam Materials & Technology**

**A 2-day technical conference dedicated to developments in  
Polymeric Foams and Applications**

**September 10-11, 2008  
Wednesday-Thursday  
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## **Purpose of Foams 2008**

New materials, processes, equipment and foaming agents are being continually developed for foam applications. Interest in finding new polymers and foaming agents for foam application is one of the top priorities for foam manufacturing industries. There is also a great interest in developing environmentally safe methods to manufacture thermoplastic foams. Although a large number of papers have been published, the foaming mechanism is not fully understood because of its complexity.

The FOAMS <sup>TM</sup> 2008 conference is planned to address the above key issues with a collection of groundbreaking presentations by leading researchers in foam industries/universities. It will feature world renowned speakers presenting technical papers on innovations in foam processing to create micro and nano-cellular foams, safe blowing agents, and state-of-the-art foaming materials such as particles, biodegradable materials, and TPO, with special emphasis on industrial applications.

The FOAMS <sup>TM</sup> 2008 conference will be held on September 10-11, 2008 for 2 days in Charlotte, NC. This conference is the premier forum for presentations of new developments in foaming technologies due to the diversity of attendees.

You are considered as accomplished technical and business leaders in thermoplastic foams and invited to participate. Please consider contributing an original paper on the technical or business aspects of your most recent and significant developments in foaming of plastics. If you agree to submit a paper for this conference, please review the attached pages carefully, and return the completed Intent to Present Form. Thank you.

Technical Program Committee, FOAMS <sup>TM</sup> 2008

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## **International Conference on Foams**

This 2-day conference on Foams, to be held in Charlotte, NC September 10-11, 2008 will feature world-renowned speakers presenting on the following key topics that are important to the foam industry.

Conference topics include:

1. Foam Sustainability
2. Innovation in Foams
3. Biodegradable Foams
4. Particles in Foams
5. TPO Foams
6. Micro and Nanocellular Foams
7. Blowing Agents
8. Foam Applications/Characterization

The following is a timetable for the FOAMS™ 2008 conference:

- **April 1, 2008** – Complete and mail (or email or fax) the Intent to Present Form. An abstract of 100 words minimum that describes your intended paper is required.
- **May 16, 2008** – Final paper and disk are to be sent to Hani Naguib
- **May 30, 2008** – Notification to all authors.
- **September 10-11, 2008** - Foams 2008 Conference

The submitted papers will be carefully reviewed. The **criteria** for selection of papers will be based on **significant developments that will bring benefits to our foam industry** with the **highest quality** and **originality**. The best paper will be selected and announced later. If you have any questions regarding the abstract, topics, or deadlines, please contact us. We look forward to your participation. Thank you.

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### Deadlines

Abstract: **April 1, 2008**

Full Paper: **May 16, 2008**

Title of Paper: \_\_\_\_\_

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An Abstract (100 words minimum) is required with the submission of this form. Please type below or use a separate sheet. The **criteria** for selection of papers will be based on **significant developments that will bring benefits to our foams industry** with the **highest quality and originality.**

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