



INTERNATIONAL MOLDED FIBER ASSOCIATION

ANNUAL CONFERENCE

OCT 4-6, 2023 | Scottsdale, AZ



DAY ONE WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 4

3:00-6:00 PM	REGISTRATION OPEN	Paradise Foyer
6:00-7:30 PM	WELCOME RECEPTION	Camelback Overlook

DAY TWO THURSDAY, OCTOBER 5

7:30 AM	BREAKFAST & NETWORKING		Paradise Terrace West
8:30 AM	OPENING REMARKS		Paradise Ballroom
9:00 AM	SUSTAINABILITY FOR CONVENTIONAL AND ALTERNATIVE FIBERS Dr. Ronalds Gonzalez, <i>North Carolina State</i> Naycari Forfora, <i>North Carolina State</i>		Paradise Ballroom
9:30 AM	GLOBAL CAPACITY OUTLOOK FOR TYPE 3 MOLDED FIBER PACKAGING Alexander Koukoulas, <i>AFRY Management Consulting</i>		Paradise Ballroom
10:00 AM	EXHIBITOR BREAK		Paradise Foyer
BREAKOUT SESSIONS	10:30 AM	SUSTAINABILITY FOR CONVENTIONAL AND ALTERNATIVE FIBERS Dr. Ronalds Gonzalez, <i>North Carolina State</i> Naycari Forfora, <i>North Carolina State</i>	Paradise Ballroom
		GLOBAL CAPACITY OUTLOOK FOR TYPE 3 MOLDED FIBER PACKAGING Alexander Koukoulas, <i>AFRY Management Consulting</i> Megan McCormick, <i>AFRY Management Consulting</i> Chris Robertson, <i>Huhtamaki US</i>	Mountain View Room
11:30 AM	LUNCH		Paradise Terrace
1:00 PM	MICROFIBRILLATED CELLULOSE (MFC): A BIO-BINDER ENHANCING STRENGTH AND BARRIER PRIORITIES IN FIBER-BASED SYSTEMS Otto Soidinsalo, <i>Borregaard</i>		Paradise Ballroom
1:20 PM	THE RELEVANCE OF MOLDED FIBER LAMINATION IN A PLASTIC-RESTRICTIVE FRAMEWORK Pol Casado, <i>Hamer Packaging Technology</i> Salvador Diaz, <i>Hamer Packaging Technology</i>		Paradise Ballroom North
1:40 PM	NEW TECHNOLOGY FOR THIN FILM LAMINATION OF MOLDED FIBER PRODUCTS Conor Carlin, <i>ILLIG North America LP</i>		Paradise Ballroom
2:00 PM	LAMINATION NATURE WORKS Koen Bastiaens, <i>NatureWorks LLC</i>		Paradise Ballroom
2:20 PM	EXHIBITOR BREAK		Paradise Foyer

BREAKOUT SESSIONS	3:00 PM	MICROFIBRILLATED CELLULOSE (MFC): A BIO-BINDER ENHANCING STRENGTH AND BARRIER PRIORITIES IN FIBER-BASED SYSTEMS Otto Soidinsalo, <i>Borregaard</i> Colleen Walker, PhD, <i>University of Maine</i>	Mountain View Room
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4:00 PM		MOLDED FIBER 101 Gary Visser, <i>IMFA</i>	Paradise Ballroom
5:00 PM		NON-MEMBER INFORMATION SESSION Joe Grygny, <i>IMFA</i>	Mountain View Room
		MEMBERS ONLY MEETING Gary Visser, <i>IMFA</i>	Paradise Ballroom
6:00 PM		COCKTAIL RECEPTION	Paradise Foyer
7:00 PM		DINNER	Mountain Shadows Lawn

DAY THREE FRIDAY, OCTOBER 6

7:30 AM	BREAKFAST & NETWORKING	Paradise Terrace West
8:15 AM	OPENING REMARKS	Paradise Ballroom
8:30 AM	PACKAGING MEGATRENDS - SUSTAINABILITY AND OPPORTUNITIES IN MOLDED FIBER Daniel Nordigaarden, Abhinav Goel, Maimouna Diakhaby, <i>McKinsey & Company</i>	Paradise Ballroom
9:15 AM	PACKAGING MEGATRENDS - SUSTAINABILITY AND OPPORTUNITIES IN MOLDED FIBER Daniel Nordigaarden, Abhinav Goel, Maimouna Diakhaby, <i>McKinsey & Company</i> Ann O'Hara, <i>Huhtamaki US</i> Ian Jacobson, <i>Eco-Products, PBC</i>	Paradise Ballroom
10:15 AM	EXHIBITOR BREAK	Paradise Ballroom Foyer
10:45 AM	REGULATORY COMPLIANCE: ACCESS TO THE MARKET Huqiu Zhang, <i>Sevee & Maher Engineers</i>	Paradise Ballroom
11:15 AM	FIBRE-BASED PACKAGING INDUSTRY IN ACTION FOR A CIRCULAR FUTURE Susanne Haase, <i>4evergreen Alliance</i>	Paradise Ballroom
11:45 AM	AWARDS AND PRESENTATIONS Gary Visser and Joe Grygny, <i>IMFA</i>	
12:00 PM	RAFFLE & CLOSING REMARKS Gary Visser, <i>IMFA</i>	
2:20 PM	GOLF OUTING	



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