



Society of Plastics Engineers, Inc.
Promoting the Scientific and Engineering Knowledge of Plastics

800-798-1241
706-238-9101

SPE Plastics Environmental Division

P.O. Box 441
Lindale, GA 30147
www.sperecycling.org

About the Conference: GPEC® 2011

Join us for *“Plastics Recycling and Sustainability on my Mind”* at GPEC® 2011 on October 17-19, 2011 at **The Atlanta Peachtree Westin Hotel**, Atlanta, GA, USA. This is your chance to learn about advances and new technologies and innovations for plastics sustainability and recycling. Deadline for hotel Advance Registration is September 21, 2011. For hotel reservations call 1-800-937-8461 and request “SPE GPEC” room rate of \$155.00.

Connections Reception (Monday October 17, 2011)

This is time to network with your fellow plastics professionals in the plastics industry, as well as to speak with exhibitors on the products, processes, and/or materials that they represent. Don't overlook this opportunity that is unique to our industry.

Exhibits/Sponsors (Monday, October 17, 2011)

- Tuesday, October 18, 2011
- Wednesday, October 19, 2011

If you would like to be a sponsor or exhibitor, you can obtain the Sponsor Registration Form at www.sperecycling.org or contact Mike Montpetit at 734-433-2399 or mcmont1954365@aol.com; or Gwen Mathis at 800-798-1241 or Gwensmathis@aol.com

PLANT TOURS (2) (Monday, October 17, 2011)

Tandus Flooring, Inc. - Dalton, Georgia

Full conference registration required. Limited to 55. First come, first serve.

Bus will depart from the Westin lower lobby at 8:00 am

www.tandus.com

Lehigh Technologies - Tucker, Georgia

Full conference registration required. Limited to 55. First come, first serve.

Bus will depart from the Westin lower lobby at 8:00 am

www.tandus.com

Technical Program (October 18, 19, 2011)

The Technical Program for GPEC® 2011 includes:

1. Bio-based and Biodegradable Materials
2. Reclamation and Supply (PCR & PIR)
3. Recycling: Electronics, Marketing and Business, Automotive, Regulatory Ribbon

Adrian Merrington is the GPEC® Technical Chair. Please submit your abstracts to Adrian Merrington at

merrington@mmi.org

Abstracts are due by May 1, 2011

Final Papers are due by August 15, 2011 (Early submission gladly accepted!)

Final Presentations are due no later than September 1, 2011.

Plenary Speakers

To be announced

Clean Technology Business Forum and Competition (Tuesday, October 18, 2011)

Outstanding entrepreneurs may still submit business plans for participation in the forum. Deadline to submit your plan is August 25th. *Battelle will be sponsoring the competition and will award the top business plan \$2,000 and the runner-up \$1,000.* The forum is an excellent opportunity to showcase your business and highlight your company's efforts in the clean technology space. Visit www.sperecycling.org or contact Eric Koester at ekoester@cooley.com for more details.

Student Poster Session (Tuesday, October 18, 2011)

To submit a Student Poster abstract for review or for questions, please contact:

Richard C. Bopp, GPEC® 2011 Poster Session Chair, Tel: +1 (952) 742-0454

Email: Richard_C_Bopp@NatureWorksLLC.com

Abstracts are due no later than August 25, 2011.

Posters will be judged by jury. Cash awards offered for posters of exceptional quality.

Environmental Stewardship Awards

These **highly coveted** awards recognize corporations and other institutions that have demonstrated environmental leadership and excellence. For a list of 2009 winners and the nature of the topics considered, please visit www.sperecycling.org. If you would like to make a nomination, then you can obtain the nomination forms at www.sperecycling.org or contact Pallatheri (Subu) Subramanian at subramanian9@comcast.net. Deadline for submission July 15, 2011.

GPEC Awards Dinner (Evening of Tuesday, October 18, 2011)

"Consumer Products Manufacturers Initiatives" Panel Discussion

(Wednesday, October 19, 2011) Panel member to be announced.

I encourage you to take advantage of this opportunity. Come to celebrate our return to Atlanta!! Learn, network, contribute, and have some fun while you're at it. We look forward to seeing you in Atlanta at GPEC® 2011.

Sincerely,

Michael Montpetit

GPEC® 2011 Chair

Phone: 734-433-2399

Cellular: 734-395-2877

E-Mail: mcmont1954365@aol.com