

GPCA PlastiCon Program

Day one **Wednesday 14 March, 2018**

08:00 – 09:00 **Registration opens and welcome coffee**

Session one: Keynote session

09:00 – 09:10 **Opening remarks**
Ahmed Omar Abdulla, *CEO, Borouge* and *Chairman, Plastics Committee, GPCA*

09:10 – 09:30 **Keynote address: Plastics in a circular economy – key concepts**
Abdulrahman Al-Fageeh, *EVP – Petrochemicals, SABIC*

09:30 – 09:50 **Keynote address: Redefining plastics production: Disrupting the traditional polymer industry**
Javier Constante, *Commercial VP, Packaging and Specialty Plastics - Europe, Middle East, Africa, DOW Europe GmbH*

09:50 – 10:10 **Panel discussion and Q&A**

Session two: International polymer producer experience in the circular economy

10:10 – 10:30 **Preparing for regenerative feedstock for polyolefin**
Paula Sanabria Luque, *Product Manager Circular Economy Global Sustainability, Lyondell Basell*

10:30 – 11:00 **Circular economy – keep it smart and close the loops**
Talke Schaffranek, *Director Applied Sustainability, BASF SE*
Andreas Thuermer, *Head, CSB Technology Group, BASF*

11:00 – 11:15 **Panel discussion and Q&A**

11:15 – 11:40 **Networking break**
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Session three: Creating an environment for plastics recycling industry in the GCC

- 11:40 – 12:00** **Establishing the UAE plastic waste management strategy**
Eng. Othaiba Al Qaydi, *Assistant Expert, UAE Ministry of Climate Change and Environment*
- 12:00 – 12:20** **Waste management in the GCC and opportunities for recycling**
Abhay Bhargava, *Associate Director (Regional Business Unit Head) - Energy and Environment practice - MENA region - Frost & Sullivan*
- 12:20 – 12:40** **Panel discussion and Q&A**
- 12:40 – 14:00** **Networking lunch**

Session four: Global brand owners and the plastics circular economy

- 14:00 – 14:20** **Impact of disruptive technology on traditional industry**
Kris Barber, *CEO, DGRADE Ltd.*
- 14:20 – 14:40** **Bringing polymers to life**
Anil Jain, *MD & CEO, Time Technoplast Ltd*
- 14:40 – 15:00** **Panel discussion and Q&A**
- 19:00 – 22:00** **GPCA Plastics Excellence Awards ceremony and gala dinner**
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Day two Thursday 15 March, 2018

- 08:00 – 09:00** **Registration opens and welcome coffee**
- 09:00 – 09:20** **Opening address: Impact of a changing global landscape**
David Lines, *Principal – Energy and Chemicals Advisory, Europe, Africa and Middle East, Nexant*
- Session five: Leadership with recycling in the global plastics industry**
- 09:20 – 09:40** **From recycling to newcycling®**
Klaus Wohnig, *Managing Director, APK AG*

- 09:40 – 10:00** **Excellence through innovation**
Adrian Griffiths, *CEO, Recycling Technologies*
- 10:00 – 10:20** **Twin approaches to environmentally friendly plastics: Recycling and raising Bio-Content**
Roger Lee, *Managing Director, Tecnon OrbiChem Ltd*
- 10:20 – 10:40** **The plastic recycling market in the GCC: A converter's perspective**
Wouter Boomsma *Executive Director, Harwal Group*
- 10:40 – 11:10** **Panel discussion and Q&A session**
- 11:10 – 11:30** **Networking break**
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- Session six: Export opportunities for the GCC plastics processing**
- 11:30 – 11:50** **Export opportunities in Africa**
M'hamed Younes Lahlou, *President, YOMAR*
- 11:50 – 12:10** **Export opportunities in Asia**
Rakesh Singh, *Director-Corporate Strategy and Operations Development, Srithai Superware Public Co. Ltd*
- 12:10 – 12:30** **Panel discussion and Q&A**
- 12:30 – 12:45** **Closing address**
Dr. Abdulwahab Al-Sadoun, *Secretary General, GPCA*
- 12:45 – 14:00** **Networking lunch**

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