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55th Dornbirn Man-Made Fibers Congress
Communicating the Future of Man-made Fibers

Sustainability – in its environmental, social and economic forms – represents the thematic starting point for the 55th Dornbirn Man-Made Fibers Congress (MFC) in Dornbirn/Austria from September 20-22, 2016. For the first time the congress will take place from Tuesday to Thursday. The plenary session will be opened by *Friedrich Weninger* and *Robert van de Kerkhof* of the Austrian Man-Made Fibers Institute, Vienna/Austria, and will begin with a lecture by *Frederic van Houte*, CIRFS, Brussels/Belgium, on "The European man-made fiber industry: the challenges of a changing world". *Uday Gill*, Indorama Ventures Ltd., Bangkok/Thailand, will speak about "The development of the global fiber market", and *Julio Cardoso* of the European Commission, Brussels, will hold the lecture "Toward circular economy: the increased participation of the textile sector".

As in the previous years *Prof. Hilmar Fuchs* of the STFI, Chemnitz/Germany, will present the Paul Schlack Man-made Fiber prize. The session will be rounded off by a CEO podium discussion hosted by *Giuseppe Gherzi* from the textile consulting group Gherzi, Zurich/Switzerland, and featuring *Eberhard Brack* of Märkische Faser GmbH, *Uday Gill* of Indorama Ventures, a Board Member from Lenzing AG, *Heinz Meierkord* of Advansa Marketing GmbH, *Stefan Seibel* of SGL Group, and *Stefan Braun* of Dralon GmbH.

As in previous years there will be over 100 expert lectures, with high international participation especially from Japan (10 %) and almost 50 % of lectures from industry. The lectures will focus on:

- Fibers and textiles in automotive – 22 lectures
- Fibers for nonwovens – 17 lectures
- Fiber innovations – 34 lectures
- Finishing and functional additives – 17 lectures
- Textiles – 12 lectures and 1 podium discussion.

On the last day, in addition to the presentations of the brands, of great interest to visitors should be the final panel discussion on "Sporty and functional fabrics", hosted by *Prof. Susanne Müller* from the Niederrhein University of Applied Sciences, Mönchengladbach/Germany, with participants from Adidas, Skinfit and others.

New this year is the Young Scientists Forum which takes place on the day previous to the Dornbirn MFC, and where the young scientists of the sponsors of the Dornbirn MFC are invited to take part in a workshop run by *Walter Woitsch*, managing partner of the largest Austrian industry advisory group Syngroup.

There will also be an individual machinery part featuring companies such as Rieter, Saurer, Dornier and Groz Beckert. One of this year's highlights will be Groz Beckert's presentation of a longitudinally cut car of a major European car brand which demonstrates the various aspects of fibers and fiber usage. The vehicle was cut at the crucial parts so that the application fields of fibers are disclosed and visible and can be viewed in its original size within the exhibition area.