



Message from the Chair

It is a great pleasure to welcome all the participants to the 23rd Polymer Processing Society Annual Meeting in Salvador, Brazil.

The Polymer Processing Society Annual Meeting is held for the first time in the Latin America. Brazil was chosen to host the PPS-23 due to the favorable conditions available to hold an event of this magnitude in the world polymer scenario. The polymer processing technological field in Brazil is quite important for its economy, because there are more than five hundred companies working in this field. In addition, the research in the polymer field is the major subject of several research groups at the Universities and Research Centers throughout the country. These groups make a significant scientific contribution to the development of the polymer knowledge in the Latin America and the PPS-23 is an excellent opportunity for the Brazilian researchers, industrial professionals and students to improve their knowledge and to exchange scientific, academics and technological experience with the participants from abroad.

The PPS-23 has drawn participants from 28 different countries and includes eight plenary and thirty five keynote lectures, besides the 382 Oral and Poster presentations. The scientific papers were selected under eighteen symposia organized by renowned researchers and a special symposium named Industrial Seminar where it will be discussed the challenges in R&D and Innovation in the Brazilian industry.

We wish you take advantage of the conference high technical standard and opportunities for exchanging knowledge and ideas during this meeting and also that you enjoy your stay in the beautiful and hospitable city of Salvador.

On behalf of the Organizing Committee we would like to express our gratitude to the Sponsors, the Support Organizations and the Symposia Organizers and other individuals for their commitment and hard work to make this conference a successful event.

Luiz A. Pessan
PPS-23 Chair

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