# **Pressing Forward...**

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Preliminary as of August 10, 2017

#### Monday, October 2, 2017

2:00pm-4:00pm GEF Board of Trustees Meeting

4:30pm-6:30pm GAAmericas Board of Directors Meeting

#### Tuesday, October 3, 2017

7:30am-8:30am Continental Breakfast

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8:30am Conference Opening Remarks

Jason Barrier, Printpack, Inc.; Chair, GAAmericas

Rod Sosa, Fres-co System USA; Technical Forum Chair

9:00am-10:00am The Business Case for Transformative Breakthrough in Gravure

**Professor Robert Eller** delivers an update on the opportunity to gain market

share for Gravure and what steps may be required to realize that goal.

Professor Robert Eller, Rochester Institute of Technology

10:00am-10:30am Coffee Break

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### ...With Lasting Impressions



#### Tuesday, October 3, 2017 continued

10:30am-12:00pm Innovation Inkubator

Find out what new advances are being developed in the gravure marketplace.

Lee Oakley, Roto Hybrid Joe Steingraeber, ENULEC

Johnny Stamey, Max Daetwyler Corp. Bob Spies, K. Walter Service Corp.

12:00pm-1:30pm Lunch

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1:30pm–3:00pm **Product Gravure** 

It is very easy to only think of Gravure as the premier printing process for packaging and labels but there are products that are in the packages that are produced using the gravure process. This session consists of speakers that print home décor and construction products and the suppliers that service this market. The home Décor market is rebounding and the gravure process is a part of the success.

Timothy D. Weatherall, Ph.D., Klöckner Pentaplast

Chetan Shah, Polytex

TBD, Canadian General Tire

3:00pm-3:30pm Coffee Break

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#### Tuesday, October 3, 2017 continued

3:30pm-4:30pm Designed for Gravure!

Many of the inks used in this field have low percentage of solids and this makes the gravure process ideal to give the ink film thickness required for the function needed. As the research and development continues Gravure Printed Electrical and Chemically functional products are moving ahead. The session will explore the challenges associated with these new products.

Dr. Bill Ray, Nth Degree

Veronika Husovska, Pressburg

Michael Joyce, North Carolina State University

5:00pm-8:00pm Global Marketplace Reception

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#### Wednesday, October 4, 2017

7:30am-8:30am Continental Breakfast

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8:30am-9:15am Printing Technologies

Dr. Harry Zervos is a Principal Analyst at IDTechEx. Harry received his degree in physics from the University of Athens, Greece, and went on to study materials science at Cranfield University, where he received his PhD on the topic of precision manufacturing of optics. He is currently involved with in-depth analysis of the technologies and markets for flexible and wearable electronics, energy harvesting and robotics, looking into a variety of verticals, ranging from consumer applications all the way to industrial and vehicle automation.

Dr. Harry Zervos, IDTechEx

9:15am-10:15am Pre-Press Technology: Cylinders

In-House Cylinder Engraving-Thinking Differently Chiawei Wu, Packaging Corporation of America Todd Luman, Interprint

Cylinder Surface Profile & Surface Tension-Do We Need Chrome for

Short Run?

Hubert Metzger, Chema Technology

10:15am-10:45am Coffee Break

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#### Wednesday, October 4, 2017 continued

10:45am-11:30am We Have the Solutions...What's the Problem?

How we share knowledge to benefit the industry will be explored. The benefits of GAAmericas training and shared industry knowledge will be demonstrated.

Moderator: JD Harris, GAAmericas

Brandon Fetterolf, Omnova

11:30am-12:30pm Press Technology: Short Run Gravure

**Exploring the Myth That Gravure Presses Are For Long Runs** 

What is the process that enables short runs? What is consider a short run? In today's market, customers are asking for more SKUs and shorter run length (this is a given for any consumer product). Fres-co is utilizing technology, process improvements, training, and data to improve change over time and accept shorter runs in a gravure press.

Rod Sosa, Fres-co System USA

12:30pm-2:00pm **Lunch** 

Featuring Golden Cylinder Awards for the Packaging and Product Sectors Sponsored by



2:00pm-4:00pm Consumer Product Group Panel Discussion: Brand Expectations

4:00pm Conference Concluding Remarks

## GAAmericas Technical Forum



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**FEES:** Gravure Technical Forum fees are as follows: <u>Technical Forum Attendance Registration</u>

Member: \$600.00 USD <u>Global Marketplace Participation Member:</u> \$300.00. <u>Technical Forum Attendance Registration Nonmember:</u> \$800.00 USD

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**FOOD RECEPTION:** Cocktails and hors d'oeuvres will be provided during the Global Marketplace reception, allowing time for dinner plans afterward. Everyone is cordially invited to attend, socialize, network, and enjoy the evening.

**CANCELLATION:** Substitution from the same company may be made at any time. Cancellations requested in writing and received a full 14 days before the event will receive a full refund. Cancellations received in writing less than 14 days before will be assessed a \$150 fee to cover administrative costs. People who do not show will not receive a refund. GAAmericas assumes no responsibility for travel costs should it become necessary to cancel/reschedule the event.

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