



# 2019 SPE INTERNATIONAL POLYOLEFINS CONFERENCE

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**Sustainable Polyolefins Growth: Meeting Needs for Today and Tomorrow**



The annual SPE International Polyolefins Conference will be held on February 24-27, 2019 in Houston, TX. This is the largest polymer conference dedicated to Polyolefins in the world. Over 700 people are expected to attend and there will be 64 exhibitor booths, 80 technical papers, a student poster competition, two networking receptions, and tremendous commercial activity. The SPE South Texas Section, the SPE Polymer Modifiers and Additives Division, the Thermoplastic Materials and Foams Division, and the Flexible Packaging Division are organizing technical sessions in the following areas:

- Current Trends in Markets, Technology, and Investments
- Innovation in Polyolefin Catalysts and Process
- Advances in Polyolefin Stabilization
- Modifiers for Polyolefins
- Polymer Testing and Characterization
- Films and Packaging
- Polyolefins in Automotive
- Advances in Polyolefin Processing
- Pipe and Long Term Use
- Sustainability and Recycling in Packaging
- Foams and Light Weighting
- Geotechnical Applications
- Non Destructive Testing

#### Sunday Afternoon Polyolefin Tutorial

**Rajen Patel and Ayush Bafna**, Dow Chemical, Fundamentals and Applications of Metallocene PE  
**Teesa Karjala and Sylvia Vernoort**, DOW Chemical, Rheology with Applications to Polyolefins  
**Chul Park**, Univ. of Toronto, PE and PP Foams  
**Todd Hogan**, DOW Chemical, PE and PP Foams

#### Monday Morning Plenary featuring Polyolefin Sustainability

**Steven Russell**, American Chem Council, "Can we End Plastic Waste?"  
**Mukund Parthasarathy**, DOW Chemical, "Dow's Sustainability Journey"  
**Jon Ratzlaff**, Chevron Phillips Chemical, "Developing Sustainable Solutions"  
**Jorge Buhler-Vidal**, Polyolefins Consulting, "Latin American Sustainability and Trade"  
**Chul B Park**, University of Toronto, "Sustainable Nano-Fibril Technology for Polyolefins"

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