INNOVATION TAKES ROOT

The NatureWorks Advanced Biomaterials Forum

Innovation Takes Root (ITR) brings together passionate thought leaders, entrepreneurs, inventors, marketers, and business leaders from around the world for a full-scale immersion into rethinking and remaking products as together we lead the industry into the renewable age.

Come to connect, to learn, and to be inspired.
CONNECT
Network with a unique group of experts, peers, and engineers from across the global supply chain crossing markets and geographies to find bold ideas in unexpected places.

LEARN
Hear how our industry is responding to—and influencing—changes in global policy, legislation, end-of-life issues and how commitments to science and engineering are creating performance attributes seen as unattainable 10 years ago.

BE INSPIRED
Discover how next generation materials affect our changing world and why dedication to creating responsible high-performance materials for a more sustainable future matters more than ever.

“Every time I come to this conference, I learn a little bit more about another perspective that I need to understand to be able to influence. There’s these large global issues that we’re facing, and every piece of innovation that’s happening today has role-played in how we solve those problems.”

Erin Simon
Director, Sustainability R&D
World Wildlife Fund
PAST ATTENDEES

BRANDS & RETAILERS

ITR brings together retailers and brand owners, surrounding them in an atmosphere of collaboration with the entire supply chain as they jointly look to tackle key initiatives such as: innovation, performance, carbon footprint, and cradle-to-cradle opportunities.

Fabio Osculati
Chief Technology Officer
Lavazza

SUSTAINABILITY MANAGERS

ITR is a great forum for professionals involved in improving the sustainability of their organizations. ITR provides a 360° look at the issues. ITR’s collegial environment can help stimulate ideas that open opportunities for those dedicated to greater sustainability.

Justin Zeulner
Executive Director
Green Sports Alliance

PACKAGING PROFESSIONALS

ITR brings together all aspects of the supply chain in the growing area of bioplastics. In just two days, packaging professionals have the opportunity to learn about the latest developments and convey the demanding needs for today’s packaging market.

Claudio Gemmiti
Senior VP Innovation & Strategic Growth
Club Coffee

PROCESS ENGINEERS

Process engineers will have an opportunity to interact with machinery suppliers showing the latest technologies for processing Ingeo and Ingeo blends. Don’t miss out on this opportunity to advance your knowledgebase.

Francisco Cavalcanti
VP Technology
Plastic Suppliers
PAST ATTENDEES continued

**PRODUCT DESIGNERS**

Often, products require a unique set of properties and visual appeal to set them apart from competitive products. ITR provides an excellent opportunity to meet with material suppliers to learn the latest in additives for altering Ingeo properties.

Shilpa Manjure  
Manager Product Development  
Natur-Tec

**RESEARCHERS & JOURNALISTS**

The bioplastics arena is changing at a rapid pace with the advent of new polymers, additives, and machinery. ITR brings the entire Ingeo community together share ideas and spur innovation.

Academia  
Polymer Scientists  
Trade Media

**MANUFACTURERS**

With today’s fast-paced innovation comes the need for shorter cycles from sustainable design through to products in the market. ITR brings together those in manufacturers who see value in designing a product one day, prototyping the next and iterating quickly to launch new products faster.

Jake Clark  
Chief Executive Officer  
3Dom USA

**MARKETERS**

Learn from the best speakers in the industry as they share their knowledge and best practices with you. Discover the latest trends in Ingeo-based products and marketing, boost your knowledge, and meet industry colleagues from leading companies.

Betsy Psihogios,  
Market Development Specialist  
Scarus
CONFERENCE AGENDA

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 9, 2018
PM  |  Registration and exhibitor set up (12:00pm - 6:00pm)

DAY 1  MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 10, 2018

AM   |  Registration and optional golf outings

WORKSHOP  
Tailoring Ingeo’s Physical Properties for Applications Development

WORKSHOP  
Understanding Ingeo in a Circular Economy Context

PM   |  Welcome lunch, exhibits, and evening reception

PLENARY SESSION

DAY 2  TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 11, 2018

AM    |  Breakfast and breakout sessions

SESSIONS  
Food Serviceware: Product Developments to Zero Waste Models

Forging Ahead: 3D Printing for Industrial Applications

Tools for Ingeo Users: Optimizing for Industry Success
DAY 2 CONTINUED

PM | Lunch and afternoon is open for activities and optional workshops.
   Program reconvenes for evening reception and exhibits.

WORKSHOP
Practical Design and Computational Screw and Die Modeling with Ingeo

WORKSHOP
Marketing Claims and Regulatory Compliance Overview for 3D Printing

DAY 3 WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 12, 2018

AM | Breakfast, breakout sessions, and exhibits

SESSIONS
Inventing the Future of Performance Nonwovens for Health & Personal Care

Advancements in Single Serve Beverage Delivery

Breaking it Down: Engineering for Degradability for New Applications

PM | Lunch, and exhibitor dismantle

CLOSING PLENARY
Conference Registration

Spend your money wisely.

Your ticket price covers more than just entry to the talks. You’ll have ample time to network with experts, peers, and engineers from across the global supply chain, and make new connections to last a lifetime during catered breakfasts, lunches, breaks, and evening receptions. Take advantage of the early-bird deadline when you register before June 15, 2018.

Registration Open | innovationtakesroot.com/register
Companies registering four or more attendees will receive a $300 discount off the current registration fee per person. This discount cannot be combined with any other offers.

**REGISTRATION FEES**

*Payment due in full at time of registration. Only credit card payments are accepted.*

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**CANCELLATION DATES & REFUND POLICY**

**JULY 10, 2018**

Cancellations received by July 10 will be refunded 100%.

**JULY 11, 2018 – AUGUST 31, 2018**

Cancellations received between July 11 – August 31 will be refunded, less a 50% service fee.

**SEPTEMBER 1, 2018 – ONSITE**

No cancellations will be issued this date forward.
VENUE

Rancho Bernardo Inn
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Exclusive ITR Rate $239/night+ taxes
*Exclusive rate available 3 days prior/post conference dates based upon availability.

Daily resort fee waived for all attendees includes:
- Wi-Fi/High Speed Internet Access
- In-Room Bottled Water
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Call
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Monday - Friday | 7 am - 9 pm PST
Saturday - Sunday | 7am - 7 pm PST

Our exclusive rates are available through Friday, August 10, 2018.

Reservations received after August 10 will be confirmed on a space available basis only, and cannot be guaranteed at the group rate.

Booking outside the room block date:
The online system will only accept reservations within the NatureWorks Room Block dates of Friday, Sept 7 - Saturday, Sept 15. If you’d like to extend your stay, we recommend booking the dates available online first, then call RBI reservations for assistance with additional dates.
2016 OVERVIEW

Check out the NatureWorks YouTube channel or Flickr account for a recap of ITR 2016.
2016 MEDIA

PlasticsTechnology

Design World

PLASTICS TODAY
MODERN PLASTICS AND INJECTION MOLDING

Sustainable Nonwovens

bioplastics MAGAZINE.COM

PackWebsia.com
The News Network for the Asian Packaging Community
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How to apply?

Innovation Takes Root 2018 will continue the tradition of highlighting new product development and successful commercial applications that make use of the unique properties and capabilities of Ingeo and Vercet. If you are interested in being considered as a presenter in the 2018 program, please submit your topic and abstract online here.

Of particular interest in 2018 are developments in the following areas:

- Engineered Degradability
- Food Serviceware
- Single Serve Beverage Delivery
- Health & Personal Care
- 3D Printing

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