

# SECOND ANNOUNCEMENT

## INTERNATIONAL DEGRADABLE PLASTICS SYMPOSIUM: STATUS OF BIOBASED AND SYNTHETIC POLYMER TECHNOLOGY

State of the art on degradable/biobased materials  
Challenges to standards and regulatory communities  
Future developments and market opportunities

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### MAJOR TOPICS

Biobased Nanocomposites  
Biodegradable Polyesters  
Cellulose Polymers and Composites  
Composting and Infrastructure  
Degradable Plastics Terminology and Standards  
Environmental Fate and Ecotoxicity Testing  
Life Cycle and Environmental Footprint Analysis  
Litter and Technology to Mitigate Litter  
Natural Fiber Composites  
New and Emerging Markets and Applications  
Photodegradable and Chemically Degradable Polymers  
Processing of Biobased Polymers and Plastics  
Protein-based Materials  
Regulatory and Ecological Issues  
Starch-based Materials  
Vegetable Oil Polymers and Composites  
Water soluble polymers, Hydrogels, and Superabsorbents

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