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*Advancing Scientific Knowledge
Pertaining to Fibers and Fibrous Materials*

The Fiber Society's Spring 2012 Conference ***Fiber Research for Tomorrow's Applications***

Empa
St. Gallen, Switzerland
May 23–25, 2012

Call for Papers

Papers on fundamental research related to the science and engineering of fibers and fibrous materials will be presented during the 2-1/2 day conference. Conference topics related to the following major themes, as well as other aspects on the frontier of fibers and fibrous materials, are anticipated:

- New Polymers/Materials for Fibers
- Fiber-related Bio- and Nanotechnology
- Technical Textiles/Composites
- Fiber Development, Processing, and Characterization
- Smart Textiles
- Comfort/Health
- Fashion/Apparel

Online submissions will be accepted beginning December 1, 2011. Access the Fiber Society website at thefibersociety.org and follow the link for submission. Formatting guidelines for oral and poster submissions are provided online (**2-page limit on all abstracts**). **Submission deadline is February 29, 2012.** Notification of acceptance will be no later than March 30, 2012.

Conference registration will be online through the Fiber Society website. Up-to-date information about the conference, hotel accommodations, travel, and more is available at Empa's conference website fs2012empa.ch and the Fiber Society website.

Around 70 oral presentations by polymer and fiber scientists from all over the world are expected. Keynote speakers include Dr. Phillip Gibson, Natick, USA; Dr. René Rossi, Empa, Switzerland; Dr. Martin King, NC State University, USA; Prof. Vladan Koncar, Ensait, France; Prof. Urs Meier, Empa, Switzerland; and Prof. Thomas Scheibel, University of Bayreuth, Germany. English is the conference language.

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