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## EuCIA participates to JEC Composites Show in Paris



The JEC Show will take place this year in the period 24-26 March in Paris and is promising to be, once again, the platform to unite global players from the composite industry. With more than 1,000 exhibiting brand names, 70% from abroad and 30% from France, the event is the place to be if interested in getting the pulse of the composite market or just watching out for the latest innovations in the sector.

As an important player in the composite industry EuCIA will be there to **Show - Grow - Know the World of Composites**. This is the best occasion to visit us at booth A43 and get an insight view of our various activities and future developments at the European level.

It is also an opportunity to find more about the activities of over 8.000 companies across Europe which EuCIA represents and get in touch with the latest innovative and sustainable engineering solutions.

During the technical sales session, Mr. Elmar Witten, AVK Managing Director will offer valuable information about the composites market in Europe, its development, challenges and future opportunities.

For more information please follow this link: <http://www.jeccomposites.com/jec-paris-2009/technical-sales-presentations/>

For more information about EuCIA participation to JEC please contact [alisa.de.backer@eucia.org](mailto:alisa.de.backer@eucia.org)

## The Composite Industry: Growth Strategies during turbulent times

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*Do not forget to add this date in your agenda!*

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## JEC and EuCIA host first European CEO Leadership Conference 2009 The Composite Industry: Growth Strategies during turbulent times

The current economic and financial climate across the world has not only created significant impacts for the composite industry but has also raised many questions. This is why JEC together with EuCIA decided to host their first annual CEOs conference and tackle some of these issues.

The CEOs conference "The Composite Industry: Growth Strategies during turbulent times" will take place this year, on 18-19 June in the beautiful town of Geneva. CEOs, senior executives and entrepreneurs will come together and think out of the box about strategies for growth in these changing times.

How to conduct real strategic changes, how to create opportunities through innovation at no substantial costs, how to gain competitive advantage from new markets and add value with effective supply chain, HR and IT are some of the issues which will be pinpointed during the conference.

For more information about the CEO Leadership Conference 2009 contact us or pay us a visit at JEC Show in Paris (both A43).



## ECRC held Board and General Assembly meetings

On 19 February, the European Composites Recycling Company (ECRC) held its Board and General Assembly meetings at EuPC offices in Brussels. A new ECRC Board was elected: Peter Schmidt (Polynt), Franck Gübler (JM), Jerome Vidalie (Inoplast), Jordi Bosacoma (Menzolit), Fons Harbers (DSM), Volker Fritz (EuCIA) and Thomas Wegman (ECRC Chairman). The participants stressed the importance of composites recycling for the future and the need for effective communication and promotion.

ECRC is a company founded in 2002 by important parties in the composites market, such as resin and glass fibre suppliers, SMC/BMC producers and/or moulders.

ECRC provides a recycling solution by offering system services to its shareholders, which typically include the collection of the composite waste parts, processing into usable form or shape such as grinding, secondary processing, and transportation to the final user.

## COMPOSITES Forum - open call for papers

The Composites Forum platform within the COMPOSITES EUROPE event (27-29 October 2009) opened their call for papers. During the Forum, lectures about trends, product know-how and innovations within the world of composites and for different application industries are given by various stakeholders.

This year's topics include: composites best practices by application industries (27-28 October), international composites industries, institutes and networks (29 October).

Access to COMPOSITES Forum is free of charge. For more information visit:

<http://www.composites-europe.com/en-gb/forum.cfm>



## European Plastics Converters (EuPC) celebrates 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary



The European Plastics Converters (EuPC) will hold its Annual meetings on 3-5 June 2009 in Caiscais (Portugal). This year EuPC also celebrates its 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary.

On the 4<sup>th</sup> June, the EuPC market divisions (packaging, building & construction, automotive & transport) will held their specific targeted meetings. Access to these meetings is open to all stakeholders. Speakers to this event included high-level decisions makers from various sectors.

The programme can be downloaded following this link: <http://www.plasticsconverters.eu/>  
For more information please contact us.

## AVK highlights the challenges and opportunities for FRP-companies in the actual economic situation

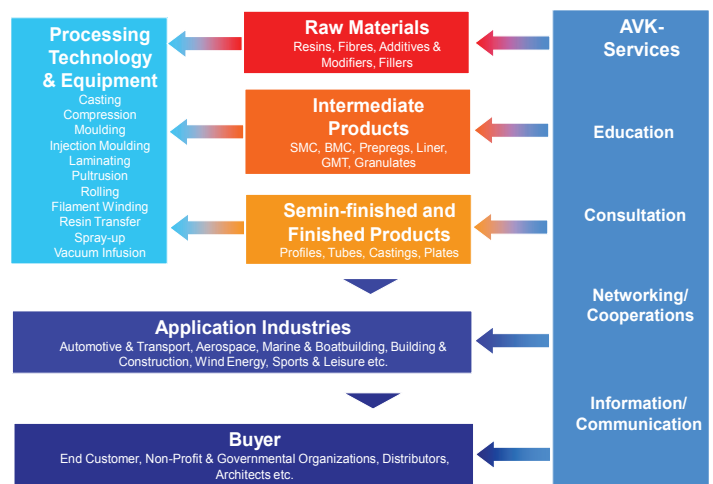
In an interview at the GKV press conference on 25 February, Dr. Elmar Witten, AVK Managing Director, underlined that the market for Fiber Reinforced Plastics (FRP) is developing different, always depending on the respective application.

The market situation for the processing companies is difficult in the fields where the application market is difficult such as the automotive and is excellent where there is no direct connection to the economic crisis, for example orders by public administrations in some countries.

The full interview (in German) can be access following this link:

<http://www.avk-frankfurt.de/>

Below: *Value Chain in the Composites Market (AVK)*



## From the General Manager

Dear members,

The JEC show is rapidly approaching. In spite of the difficult economic situation it is more than ever important to come. So, I would strongly advise you to come to the JEC in order to check the new developments and trends in material and processing technology. Discover how you can make the proper choices for the future of your company.

It is my firm belief that composites can give an essential contribution to create a more sustainable society. This is a very strong trend for the future. During the JEC show a lot of examples of the use of composites in sustainable applications will be shown.

As you can see also in this Newsletter EuCIA has taken the initiative in close cooperation with JEC to organise a CEO level conference on growth strategies during turbulent times. We have brought to this conference a number of top level speakers which will give you a lot of good ideas on how to organise your business to come out of the economic downturn stronger than before.

So, all CEO's: don't miss this conference on 18 and 19 June in Geneva!

EuCIA continues to take care of your needs!

Ab Kasper  
General Manager



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for Composites, Technology and Applications

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### CALENDAR OF EVENTS

23 March	EuCIA Board Meeting	Paris, France
24-25-26 March 2009	JEC Composites Show	Paris, France
7 April 2009	BioStruct WP 9 Meeting	Wels, Austria
8 April 2009	BioStruct GA Meeting	Wels, Austria
2-3 June 2009	NATEX Meeting	Helsinki, Finland
18-19 June 2009	The European Composites Forum	Geneva, Switzerland
27-28-29 October 2009	Composites Europe	Stuttgart, Germany

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