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Successful World Pultrusion Conference 2026

The 18th World Pultrusion Conference (WPC) took place in Valencia, Spain, from 5 to 6 March 2026. Pultrusion, also known as the pultrusion process, is a highly efficient method for manufacturing fibre-reinforced plastic profiles for various applications in the construction, infrastructure and transport sectors.

Around 120 participants from all over the world attended the conference. A total of 27 speakers gave 26 presentations on the latest developments, technologies and applications relating to pultruded fibre composites. The international audience consisted of experts from industry, research and application.

The lecture program covered a wide range of topics, including current market developments, innovative applications and new material and process developments.

There was a particular focus on sustainability aspects, the further development of pultrusion processes – especially in the field of thermoplastic systems – and new applications for the technology, for example in construction, infrastructure and high-tech applications. The conference thus provided an important platform for professional exchange on trends and future prospects in the pultrusion industry.

In addition to the specialist presentations, there were numerous opportunities for networking and exchange within the international industry. A joint gala dinner on the evening of the first day of the conference rounded off the program in a pleasant atmosphere.

As the largest event in Europe on the subject of pultrusion, the English-language conference takes place every two years in a European country of significance to the pultrusion industry and is organised by the European Pultrusion Technology Association (EPTA) in cooperation with the American Composites Manufacturers Association (ACMA).

The next and 19th edition of the WPC will take place in Istanbul (Turkey) in 2028. Further information will follow.

About EPTA

EPTA – “The European Pultrusion Technology Association” was created in 1989 by the leading FRC (Fiber Reinforced Composites) Pultruders in Europe and is open for membership to all companies and organizations, wishing to participate in promoting the responsible use of Composites/pultruded profiles and in the exchange of knowledge between members.

The mission is to support the growth of the composite profiles industry by maximizing external communication efforts and having an actively contributing membership. Since 2006, the association has existed under the umbrella of the AVK – Federation of Reinforced Plastics, in Frankfurt, Germany.

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About ACMA

The American Composites Manufacturers Association (ACMA) is the world’s largest composites industry trade group. We are manufacturers, material and equipment suppliers, distributors, academia and end users, dedicated to growing the composites market. We serve our members and the industry by promoting the competitive advantage and versatility of composite materials. ACMA offers composites industry educational resources through the CAMX – Composites and Advanced Materials Expo, conferences, the Education Hub, and the Certified Composites Technician (CCT®) program. We develop standards and specifications that drive preference for the use of composites in place of traditional materials. We lead advocacy efforts via legislative and regulatory channels to achieve a more viable composites industry. Together, we are shaping the future of composites. Learn more at <http://www.acmanet.org>.

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