Benesch

Investing in the Performance Materials & Plastics Industry Conference

Tuesday, May 20, 2025

Chicago Athletic Association

Agenda

10:30am – 11:00am 11:00am – 11:45am	Registration Welcome and Self-Introductions
11:45am – 12:30pm	Agentic AI in Plastics: AI Tactics for Increasing EBITDA
	 Al Agents: Tribal Knowledge Stores, the Cognitive Integration Layer, and the New Agentic Al Enterprise Structure Derek Moeller, President CognitionWorks
	 The Autonomous Molding Machine: Applying New Visual AI Agents to Create Molding Machines that Run Themselves Edward Schneeweiss, Co-Founder and CEO, Sebastian Schneeweiss, Co-Founder and COO Krevera
	 Panel Discussion and Q&A Moderator: Phil Eckenrode, Partner Benesch
12:30pm – 1:30pm	Lunch and Keynote: The Road Ahead for Plastics Troy Nix, Executive Director MAPP (Manufacturers Association for Plastics Processors)
1:30pm – 2:30pm	M&A Trends Moderator: Megan Mehalko, Partner Benesch Magnus Berglund, Senior Vice President, Strategy, M&A HEXPOL Group Chuck Forrestal, President Newbury Franklin Industrials Molding/Metro Plastics Technologies/ Moldtech Rubber JT Schroeder, Managing Director NorthView Advisors Jon Hart, Managing Director PCMF
2:30pm – 2:45pm	Break
2:45pm – 3:30pm	North America Supply Chain: Opportunities and Challenges Moderator: Alan Rothenbuecher, Partner Benesch Jonathan Todd, Partner Benesch Cara Walton, Director Wipfli Ryan Jones, COO, Co-Owner, Manager Jones Plastic & Engineering Gavin Simpson, VP, Global Supply Chain Century Mold
3:30pm – 3:45pm	Break
3:45pm – 4:30pm	Post Deal Closing: Moving Forward with Integration and Unification Moderator: Corey Sparks, Partner Benesch Wayne Byrne, Chief Financial Officer Meridian Adhesives Tonya Getz, Vice President and Corporate Controller GEON Performance Solutions, LLC Ted Morgan, Partner Plante Moran
4:30pm – 6:00pm	Reception