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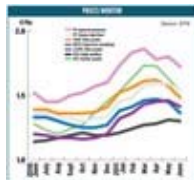
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## Industry News



### Price of polymer slides despite manufacturing growth

Despite a resurgence in the UK manufacturing sector, the price of polymer has continued to slide over recent months, with nervous producers giving in to buyers' demands for price concessions rather than risk being left with high stock levels.

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### European Bioplastics condemns US research

European Bioplastics has criticised a recent US study by North Carolina State University for focusing on the green performance of some biodegradable plastics rather than taking a wider look at the whole bioplastics market.

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### WRAP unveils waste prevention loan fund

WRAP has launched the Waste Prevention Loan Fund, first announced in the Government Review of Waste Policy in England 2011.

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## Member Benefits

Following PMMDA's amalgamation with the PPMA Group, members have access to numerous business benefits including:-

- Technical support/advice from the PPMA Group's consultant Laidler Associates
- Business support services
- Money saving business services from PPMA Group SAPs
- Technical seminars
- Networking opportunities with PPMA Group Associations
- Industry statistics
- Publishing & mailing services

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## Diary Dates

### Technical Seminars 2011

- **Functional Safety** - 15 September, Marriott Hotel, Northampton
- **Machinery Risk Assessment** - 5 October, Manchester Airport Marriott Hotel
- **Machinery Directive** - 20 October, Marriott Hotel, Northampton
- **Practical Machinery Safety** - 3 November, Manchester Airport Marriott Hotel
- **Machinery Risk Assessment** - 17 November, Marriott Hotel, Northampton

For details and to book go to [www.ppma.co.uk/educ/info.htm](http://www.ppma.co.uk/educ/info.htm)

## Latest Member News

Please send your news, views and installation stories to Janine Berriedale E: [pmmda@pmmda.org.uk](mailto:pmmda@pmmda.org.uk)

### Solarsoft the first choice for frozen food manufacturer

Glendale Foods have improved stock control and productivity with a new ERP software system from Solarsoft.

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### New premises for Ferlin Plastics Automation

Ferlin Plastics Automation B.V., a key supplier to UK Plastics Machinery Ltd, is optimistic that its new manufacturing facilities in the Netherlands will be completed on schedule by September 2011.

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### Association Golf Day

#### 8 September 2011, DeVere Staverton Park

Due to the high increase in charges, the PMMDA Go-Karting day will not be going ahead this year. Instead, the PPMA Group Golf Day has proved to be popular with members and is a great way to entertain clients: 27 holes of golf, four competitions and a three course meal with trophy presentations. To book: [Golf Day 2011 Brochure](#)

### Interplas & PPMA Show

#### 27 – 29 September 2011, NEC, Birmingham

Now in its 60th year, Interplas (a tri-annual plastics processing show), co-locates this year with the PPMA processing and packaging machinery Show. Interplas will include new initiatives such as the British Centre of Excellence (a unique exhibit of OEM parts), the Contract Manufacturing Zone, and the PDI (Plastic Design Intelligence) programme. [www.britishplasticsshow.com](http://www.britishplasticsshow.com)

## Publications

These leading plastics industry publications can help raise your profile and spread news about new products and services. Contact the editors for forthcoming features and editorial opportunities:-

### Plastics & Rubber Weekly

[www.prw.com](http://www.prw.com)

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### British Plastics & Rubber

[www.britishplastics.co.uk](http://www.britishplastics.co.uk)

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### European Plastics News

[www.europeanplasticsnews.com](http://www.europeanplasticsnews.com)

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### NEW! Medical Plastics News

Launched June 2011 and published six times a year, Medical Plastics News is the industry's only magazine designed for those working in and interested in medical plastics.

[www.mpmmagazine.com](http://www.mpmmagazine.com)

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## Member snapshots

Members are invited to share an overview of their company with the readers of PMMDA News.

This issue, we focus on material handling and cooling experts **AB Systems** and blow moulding industry specialists, **Proma Machinery**.

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To include your company 'snapshot' in a forthcoming issue, email your overview (entitled 'snapshot') with photos to

[pmmda@pmmda.org.uk](mailto:pmmda@pmmda.org.uk)

## Standards Update

The latest changes to industry-specific standards from PPMA Group's technical partner, Laidler Associates. Including BS EN 1114-1: 1997, BS EN 13418:2004+A1:2008 and BS EN 12409:2008.

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## Welcome New Members!

For a membership pack and to join the Association, contact [david.harrison@ppma.co.uk](mailto:david.harrison@ppma.co.uk)

**New full members:**

AB Systems – UPM Conveyors

## Members, we need your feedback!

Let us know what you think about both the format and the content of this newsletter.

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### Plastics Industry Awards – Finalists now announced! 14 October 2011, London Hilton on Park Lane

Now in its 11th year, this annual event acknowledges 'the best companies and the best people in the market' and is dedicated to rewarding innovation and exceptional performance. It's therefore no surprise to see so many PMMDA member firms confirmed as finalists:

#### Supplier Partnership - Ancillary Machinery

AB Systems  
Renmar  
TH Plastics  
Wittmann Battenfeld UK

#### Supplier Partnership - Prime Machinery

Engel UK  
Krauss Maffei (UK)  
Netstal

Good luck to all our members!

[www.plasticsawards.com](http://www.plasticsawards.com)



### PPMA Group President's Lunch

#### 2 December, Houses of Parliament, London

Members are welcome to join our FREE networking luncheons which include a morning session of topical presentations, a three course meal with wine and plenty of time to network with fellow members from the Group of associations: PPMA, PMMDA, BARA & UKIVA. "It is a great way to do business," said Simon Goodwin, General Manager of B&R Automation.

For further details and to book a place contact

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### PDM 2012

#### 29 – 30 May 2012, ExCel, London

The Plastics Design & Moulding Exhibition and Conference is specifically aimed at the design and moulding sectors of the UK's plastics industry. Visitors represent the full range of end-user markets, including automotive, medical, packaging, electrical, electronics, domestic, sports and leisure goods. [www.pdmevent.com](http://www.pdmevent.com)



### PPMA Group supported overseas shows

Members can de-risk the exhibition process by exhibiting as part of a PPMA pavilion. For a list of forthcoming international shows, many of which are supported with a UKTI exhibitor grant, go to [www.ppma.co.uk/info/sesa.htm](http://www.ppma.co.uk/info/sesa.htm)

### Plastics shows with British pavilions

For a comprehensive list of international plastics trade shows with British pavilions, go to [www.bpf.co.uk/Events/Trade\\_Shows.aspx](http://www.bpf.co.uk/Events/Trade_Shows.aspx)



- Are we getting it right?
- Are there subjects that you'd like to see on a regular basis?

Send your thoughts to: [pmmda@pmmda.org.uk](mailto:pmmda@pmmda.org.uk)

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## Enhance your Machinery Directory listing

The Processing & Packaging Machinery Directory is the industry bible for equipment buyers and includes contact details for 400+ machinery suppliers. If you want to stand out from the crowd, why not enhance your listing with a moderately priced ½ page advert for only £340? To find out more contact

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## New website!

Keeping up with the latest PMMDA news has never been easier. Not only can you now follow the Association on [www.twitter.com/pmmda](https://www.twitter.com/pmmda) but a new and improved PMMDA website has recently been launched with a useful 'Breaking News' section bringing you the latest industry developments as they happen. With clear, easy to navigate pages, including a job section, list of committee members (found on the Contact Us page) and an events diary, staying informed has never been simpler. [www.pmmda.org.uk](http://www.pmmda.org.uk)



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