3rd European Conference on Protective Clothing (ECPC) and NOKOBETEF 8

Protective Clothing - Towards Balanced Protection

First Announcement & Call for Papers



Poland Gdynia 10-12.05.2006







Dear Guests and Colleagues,

We are pleased to invite all interested persons to the 3rd European Conference on Protective Clothing (ECPC) and NOKOBETEF 8, which will be held in Gdynia, Poland, on 10-12 May 2006.

The ECPC is organized every 3 years by the European Society of Protective Clothing (ESPC) which was founded in 2000 in Stockholm. The purpose of ESPC is to act as a forum for expert cooperation in the field of protective clothing (including gloves and shoes) all over Europe, but experts from the world are also welcome. This forum was initiated in 1984 in Scandinavia where NOKOBETEF (Nordic Coordination Group on Protective Clothing as a Technical Preventive Measure) was founded. ESPC and NOKOBETEF are independent organizations.

Now Poland, as a new Member State of the European Union, has the pleasure to organize the next European meeting of experts in the field of protective clothing. The main theme of the conference is "Protective clothing – towards balanced protection".

Nowadays, in times of various and serious hazards, sophisticated needs of users and possibilities of application of high-tech solutions in designing products it is crucial to find an equilibrium among protection, comfort and durability of personal protective equipment. Only high-level exchange of knowledge and experience among experts on this subject will enable one to reach this target in order to provide the optimum product to the user.

The conference is dedicated to the research institutions and notified bodies, designers, manufacturers, end-users, health and safety experts and authorities, who deal with protective clothing, including gloves and footwear. The conference is an excellent opportunity for scientific discussion and exchange of knowledge as well as possibility for new contacts and integration of experts in the area. We wish to welcome everybody who is interested in this subject to Poland and to the beautiful Polish coast.

Dr Helena Mäkinen
Chair of the Program Committee and ESPC

Prof. Danuta Koradecka
Director of CIOP-PIB

ORGANIZER

Central Institute for Labour Protection – National Research Institute, Poland (CIOP-PIB) in association with the European Society of Protective Clothing (ESPC).

CONFERENCE TOPICS

The program of the Conference will include the following scientific and technical topics in the area of protective clothing, gloves and footwear:

- 1. New products and technologies
- 2. Intelligent materials and wearable technologies
- 2. Nanotechnology in protective clothing
- 3. New test methods, assessment criteria and standardization
- 4. Physiological and ergonomic issues
- 5. Modeling of protective clothing performance
- 6. Selection, safe use and maintenance of protective clothing
- 7. Influence of usage conditions on performance and service-life

DATE AND VENUE

The conference will take place on 10-12 May 2006 in Gdynia at Hotel Nadmorski, ul. Ejsmonda 2 (www.nadmorski.pl)

LANGUAGE

The official language of the Conference is English.

All papers (oral and poster presentation) should be written in English.



IMPORTANT DATES

- submission of abstracts
 - confirmation of the contribution acceptance
- deadline for receipt of registration forms
 - submission of full papers and conference fee

15 November 2005 10 January 2006 28 February 2006 31 March 2006

ABSTRACT SUBMISSION

Abstract, no longer than 250 words, should be written in English and submitted (preferably by e-mail or on CD) on the address:

Katarzyna Szczecińska, Wierzbowa 48, 90-133 Łódź, Poland, e-mail: kaszc@ciop.lodz.pl The abstract should include: the title of presentation, type of presentation (oral or poster), the author's names, correspondence addresses, phone and fax numbers, e-mail addresses

CONFERENCE FEE

The conference fee:

paid before 31 January 2006 350 EUR after 31 January 2006 400 EUR

The conference fee will cover the access to all sessions, Conference Proceedings, lunches, coffee-breaks and a gala dinner. The registration fee should be sent by bank transfer to the account PL43106000760000401020001972 in BANK BPH SA O/Warszawa, ul. Jasna 1, 00-950 Warszawa SWIFT: BPHKPLPK, with a postscript: ECPC Conference.

REGISTRATION

In order to register for the conference, please fill in the Registration Form and send it to the Secretariat by post or fax until 28 February 2006.

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CONFERENCE WEBSITE

www.ciop.pl/ecpc

GENERAL INFORMATION ABOUT THE PLACE OF THE CONFERENCE

Three beautiful cities located on the Polish coast: Gdańsk, Gdynia, Sopot form the complex called Tri City.

GDAŃSK

The thousand-year-old city Gdańsk is considered as the most monument-abounding city of the "Baltic Europe". Gdańsk is the Polish maritime capital, also known as world capital of amber. Like many of Poland's fine cities, Gdansk can boast a rich cultural heritage. The city and its personality reflect its colorful past and the many cultures which have shaped its identity in its monuments of sacral, middle-class, military and port architecture. Today, Gdansk is one of Poland's cultural powerhouses with a score of festivals, museums and galleries.

SOPOT

Sopot has a great geographical location – lying between the beautiful woods of the TriCity Landscape Park, and the numerous sand beaches of the Bay of Gdańsk. Sopot is known for its sanitaria and countless artists and tourists, who visit the city especially during summertime. Wooden Pier in Sopot is the longest wooden pier in Europe. During summertime, for a small fee you can enter the pier, and admire the coastline.

GDYNIA

Gdynia is a young, but quickly expanding harbor city, offering many tourist attractions as well as splendid shopping opportunities and a lot of entertainment. The city was founded as a Polish harbor in 1926. Because of its unusual location, you will easily catch great views of the sea and beautiful

scenery, and also find long sidewalks, beautiful waterfronts, marinas and yacht clubs.





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