Vacuum Insulation: Global and Growing
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Vacuum insulation technology has made tremendous progress in just the past year. Better equipment to produce panels, more accurate testing equipment, and improved component materials are making this exciting technology even more versatile for new applications. Performance, longevity, and new life cycle predictability make a variety of applications – previously thought out of the question – possible. Come meet the experts and learn about trends and possibilities at the best symposium yet. Find out what vacuum insulation technology makes possible today, and what is envisioned for tomorrow.

**Who Will Attend?**
- Vacuum insulation component suppliers
- Vacuum testing equipment suppliers
- Cold storage and refrigerated transportation producers
- Temperature-sensitive packaging suppliers and users
- Biomedical and pharmaceutical goods shippers
- Vacuum panel producers
- Appliance designers and manufacturers

**What's The Latest In:**
- Vacuum panel technology?
- Vacuum insulation test equipment?
- New and unique applications of vacuum insulation?
- Life cycle performance predictions?
- Panel fill materials?
- Barrier films technology?

**Get Solutions You Can Apply Now**
- Find out about the latest manufacturing and quality control techniques
- Understand the impact on VIP performance of different barrier films
- Discover the difference core selection can play in VIP production
- Learn to determine when to use a getter or a desiccant
- Hear the latest developments in VIP production machinery
- Network with other leading VIP users, producers, and suppliers from around the world

### May 22, 2001
- VIA Committee Meetings 8 a.m. - 12 noon
- VIA Board of Directors 1 p.m. - 5 p.m.
- Board of Directors Dinner Evening

### May 23, 2001
- Registration 7:30 - 8:30 a.m.
- Welcoming Remarks and Keynote Presentation 8:30 - 9:30 a.m.
- Keynote Speaker: Mr. Paolo Bertoldi, European Union
  - Title: “New European Union Energy Regulation Policy for Household Refrigeration Appliances.”
- Session 1 9:30 a.m. - 12:00 noon
- Luncheon 12:00 noon - 1:00 p.m.
- Session 2 1:00 - 5:00 p.m.
- Networking Reception: Evening

### May 24, 2001
- Opening Remarks
- Keynote Speaker: Dr. Mike Jeffs, Huntsman Polyurethanes
  - Dr. Jeffs is the International EHS Affairs Manager with Huntsman Polyurethanes in Brussels, Belgium. As Huntsman’s issue manager for the Ozone and Climate Change issues, he has been involved with the ozone (CFC) issue since 1985. Dr. Jeffs received the US EPA Stratospheric Ozone Award in 1993 and 1997, and an MBE for services to the environment in 1995. He has been a member of the United Nations Environmental Programme Foams Technical Options Committee since 1990.
  - Dr. Jeffs will summarize the global issues around energy supply and climate change. The latest scientific findings are forecasting larger and faster climate impacts than previously expected. But there are huge opportunities in this issue for governments to show leadership and for companies to develop and market new energy saving technologies, such as vacuum insulation panels.
- Session 3 9:30 a.m. - 12:00 noon
- Luncheon 12:00 noon - 1:00 p.m.
- Session 4 1:00 - 5:00 p.m.
- Adjourn 5:00 p.m.
REGISTRATION: Register by fax, phone, or mail by providing the information requested below.

PAYMENT: Register early and SAVE $50! If registration and payment are received by April 18, 2001, the fee for VIA Members is $350 and for Non-Members is $400. Payment after April 18 or at the door is $400 for VIA Members and $450 for Non-Members. Payment INCLUDES all speaker sessions, exhibits, continental breakfasts, lunches and Networking Reception.

ACCOMMODATIONS: The Vacuum Insulation Association has secured a special rate of 488,000 Lira (Lit) ($232 U.S.*) per night for a single room at the Cavalieri Hilton Hotel, or 591,000 Lit ($281 U.S.*) for a double room. VAT not included. Subject to availability, this special rate will apply the weekends before and after the symposium dates. All individual reservations must be guaranteed with an advance payment for the first night’s room and tax or by a credit card. Advance payments will be forfeited if a cancellation occurs with less than 48 hours notice. Reservations must be made using the attached form and returned directly to the Cavalieri Hilton Hotel by fax or mail no later than May 1, 2001. (See address and fax number on form.) The Cavalieri Hilton Hotel will assess a processing fee of 30,000 Lit ($14 U.S.*) for each reservation. Check in at the hotel is 2:00 p.m. and check out is 12:00 p.m.

CANCELLATION: Cancellations by fax only. Cancellations received no later than April 18, 2001 will receive a full refund less a $40 processing fee; those received after April 18, 2001 will receive a 50% refund. No refunds will be made after May 16, 2001.

EXHIBIT SPACE: A limited number of exhibit spaces, suitable for tabletop displays or posters, are available to highlight your current activity in the vacuum insulation industry. Cost for one 2-meter skirted table is $300. Exhibits will be highly visible throughout the Symposium and Networking Reception. Please contact Catherine Payson at the VIA office (703-556-9798) for more information on exhibiting at the 2001 VIA Symposium.

*Exchange rate is approximate and subject to change without notice.
About The Vacuum Insulation Association (VIA)

VIA is an international non-profit trade association of vacuum insulation designers, fabricators, end users, and others interested in the science and promotion of vacuum insulation technology.

VIA’s Purpose and Objectives:

Facilitate broad commercialization of vacuum insulation technology in a variety of industries and end uses.

Provide a forum for scientific and technical discussion on vacuum insulation design, fabrication, end use, quality assurance, and life expectancy.

Provide continuing education on vacuum insulation technology through symposia, short courses, and scholarly publications.

Recognize excellence in vacuum insulation science, technology and applications.

For more information contact: Carol Freysinger, Director of Membership, at 703-556-9798.

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