

The forthcoming Congress, organised by INESCOP on behalf of UITIC, will take place at the Congress Centre of Elche, Alicante.

Simultaneous translation into at least English and Spanish is guaranteed by the organisers. For more information about other languages, please visit the Congress website.

Thursday, 16th October. Visits to shoe and component industries will be organised for those interested, and who submit the corresponding registration. In the evening, a Welcome Cocktail will be held for all congress participants.

Friday, 17th October, during the Official Dinner, the UITIC Awards in the Managerial, Technical and Scientific categories will be delivered. In addition, the special UITIC Award for the Press will also be granted.

Saturday, 18th October. In the afternoon, interested congress participants will be able to take part in the sightseeing tour.

Furthermore, an optional sightseeing programme will be available for accompanying people.

For further information, please go to:

<http://www.uitic.org>

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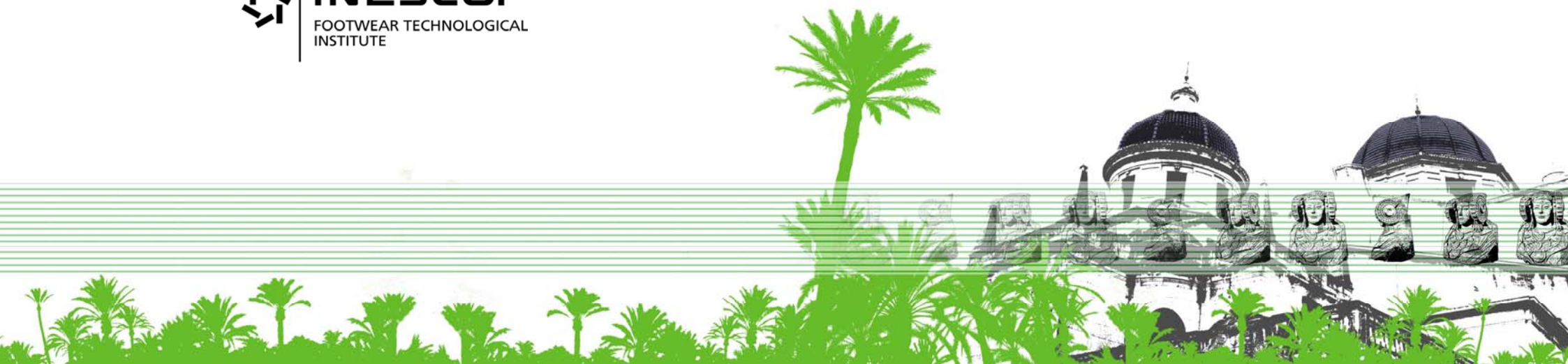


**UITIC International
Association of Shoe
Industry Technicians**

XVI INTERNATIONAL TECHNICAL FOOTWEAR CONGRESS

PROGRAMME

Elche (Spain) 16-18 October 2008



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WEDNESDAY, 15 OCTOBER

16:00 - 20:00 Registration of participants at the Huerto del Cura Hotel
Handing over of documents

THURSDAY, 16 OCTOBER

09:00 - 18:00 Visits to factories. Lunch included

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20:30 - 22:30 **Welcome Cocktail**

FRIDAY, 17 OCTOBER

08:00 Registration of participants at the Congress Centre. Handing over of documents

09:00 OPENING SESSION

Welcome speeches

- Local, Regional and National Authorities
- President of the European Confederation of the Footwear Industry
- INESCOP President
- UITIC President

Trends, technologies and business models: looking towards the Future

Ana Morato, Observatory for Industrial Technology Foresight, Spain.

10:30 **Coffee-break**

11:00 SESSION I – CONSUMER

Chair: F. Schmel

- **Standardisation of Footwear Sizing (ISO/TC137)**
Monika Richter, PFI, Germany
- **Customised Footwear: How to select and implement the right solutions**
Sergio Dulio, Consultant-Shoe Technology expert, Italy
- **The importance of brands: how to protect, strengthen and add value to the brand**
Jean-Marc Lehu, University Panthéon-Sorbonne, France
- **Practical measures to protect the footwear design**
Ignacio Alamar, Consultant of CAVEX Export Group, Spain

Discussion

13:00 **Lunch**

15:00 SESSION II – PRODUCT INNOVATION

Chair: F. Nicolas / M. Khelil

- **Application of biomechanical studies on sports footwear to town footwear**
Peter Brüggemann, Sport University of Cologne, Germany
- **Anti-counterfeiting systems**
Rafael H. Stark, INESCOP, Spain
- **Material innovation from fashion, technology and performance point of view**
Paolo Marengi, ARS SUTORIA, Italy
- **The bio-shoe and the active-shoe**
Maria José Ferreira, CTCP, Portugal

Discussion

17:00 **Coffee-Break**

17:30 **UITIC General Assembly (only members)**

18:00 **Press Conference (only Media and UITIC Executive Committee)**

21:00 **OFICIAL DINNER**

SATURDAY, 18 OCTOBER

09:00 SESSION III – TECHNOLOGY

Chair: M. Cantella / L. Melo

- **Measurement of the inside volume of a shoe to improve comfort**
Térence Coudert, CTC, France
- **Flexible manufacturing systems for assembling and finishing of footwear, CEC-made-shoe**
Luis Gonçalves, Fly London/Kyaia, Portugal
- **Will the virtual reality catch up the shoe industry?**
Uwe Thamm, ISC, Germany

Discussion

10:30 **Coffee-Break**

11:00 SESSION IV – MANAGEMENT

Chair: R. Maes / L. Torreblanca

- **How to manage technical data of a collection and how to shorten time of design in a global environment**
Cliff Taylor, Lectra, France
- **Paperless office. The PIKOLINOS' experience**
Ramón Plá, ITEM, Spain
- **Present and future situation of education and training in the footwear industry**
Claudio Boër, ICIMSI-SUPSI, Switzerland

Discussion

12:15 SESSION V – SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT

Chair: D. Papakonstantinou

- **Concrete examples of eco design approach and analysis of the life-cycle in the leather industry. Advantages for companies**
Régis Léty, CTC, France
- **Social corporate responsibility in the footwear industry**
Susana Gómez, FICE, Spain

Discussion

13:15 CLOSING SESSION

César Orgilés, UITIC President

13:30 **CLOSURE OF THE CONGRESS**