

EVENT RESUME

2026 Global Polymer Summit

Location: Kentucky International Convention Center
Dates: Monday, September 28 – Thursday, October 1, 2026
Total Individual Attendance: 2,500

Estimated Attendance Flow:

Monday, 9/28	2,500
Tuesday, 9/29	2,500
Wednesday, 9/30	2,500
Thursday, 10/1	750



DESCRIPTION

The 2026 Global Polymer Summit (GPS) is the most valuable destination for professionals across the rubber, elastomer and tire industries to expand their network, learn from experts and explore business opportunities. It brings together the best companies, the brightest minds and the most influential buyers all in one place and bridges the tire and rubber industries through comprehensive programming, engaging discussions and a dynamic all-in-one event.

The merging of the International Elastomer Conference (IEC) and the International Tire Exposition & Conference (ITEC) brings together top companies and programming into one exceptional event.

Who The GPS Team is:

Rubber Division, we are a dedicated team of nine, driven by a shared passion for our industry. Our mission is to ensure that every individual and company recognizes the immense value our shows and the rubber industry have to offer. More than just a team, we are a family—committed to innovation, collaboration, and the success of those we serve.

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SCHEDULE

Global Polymer Summit and all special events are open to registered attendees only. For a more detailed schedule, please visit [HERE!](#)

Show Dates & Hours
Sunday, 9/27
Registration 8am-5pm; General Move-in; Excursions; Reception at Five Iron; coat and luggage check at KICC
Monday, 9/28
Registration 8am-5pm; Conference 8-5 pm; General Move-in 7:30 am- 6pm, Excursion; coat and luggage check at KICC, Private Meeting Room Holders at KICC
Tuesday, 9/29
Registration 8am-5pm; Conference 8-5 pm; (keynote at 9 am); Networking Reception 4-5pm in Expo Halls, coat and luggage check at KICC, Private Meeting Room Holders at KICC
Wednesday, 9/30
Registration 8am-5pm; Conference 8-5 pm; (keynote at 9 am); Networking Reception 4-5pm in Expo Halls, coat and luggage check at KICC, Private Meeting Room Holders at KICC
Thursday, 10/1
General Move-out 8-6 pm; coat and luggage check at KICC 8-6 pm & Private Meeting Room Holders at KICC



DINING

Attendees will be on their own for MOST MEALS as shown below. "x" shows which meals will be on the attendees OWN.

Day	Breakfast	Lunch	Dinner
Sunday, 9/27	X	X	X
Monday, 9/28 (Heavy Arrival)	X	X	X
Tuesday, 9/29	X	X	X
Wednesday, 9/30	X	X	X
Thursday, 10/1	X	X	X



TRANSPORTATION

Air Travel: 90%
Auto Travel: 10%

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ACCOMMODATIONS

HQ & Co-Host Hotels: Louisville Marriott Downtown & Omni

Additional Hotels: Cambria, Embassy DT, Fairfield DT, Galt House, Hilton Garden Inn DT, Hyatt Regency, Springhill Suites DT, Seelbach

Heavy Arrivals: 9/28 & 9/29

Heavy Departures: 10/1



DIGITAL MEDIA

Website:

<https://gps2026.events.rubber.org/>

X:

<https://x.com/RubberDivision>

Linkedin:

<https://www.linkedin.com/company/rubber-division-acs/posts/?feedView=all>



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