LERIG 2010: The Focus

The thematic topic for LERIG 2010 has been chosen as “Bio-related Innovative Options for Tannery Application” (BIOTAN). Even though the Indian leather industry has attained a well recognized level of maturity, commensurate growth in the world market has not yet been achieved. Our growth in terms of share in the global market will leapfrog if the many problems industry has been facing with regard to environment, quality aspects related to supply of raw hides and skins from indigenous as well as international sources and quarantine issues related to biotechnological options in order to provide possible environmental friendly solutions for making the leather processing cleaner, improving the end-of-pipe treatment methods, value addition and property enhancement of leather and allied products and thereby achieve better value realizations in the International markets.

LERIG 2010: The Key Points

Topics for the event are:
- Biological issues related to REACH (Registration, Evaluation, Authorization and Restriction of Chemicals)
- Biology of Collagen, Biopreservation and Bioprocessing
- New perceptions in the understanding of biological issues related to leather and application of biophysical tools including Bio-informatics
- Biopreservation technologies for minimizing pollution
- Microbiological and biotechnological aspects related to leather processing
- Biodegradation of leather and life-cycle analysis for leather products
- Environmental Biotechnology
- Application of environmental biotechnology to improve end-of-pipe treatment
- Odour control in tanneries
- Biodegradable and biocomposites
- Bio-based Options for Solid Waste Management
- Solid waste utilization and management technologies for value added products
- Biological issues related to BEACH (Registration, Evaluation, Authorization and Restriction of Chemicals) regulation and compliance

Invitation for Papers

Papers relevant to the theme are invited. Selection will be made for oral or poster presentation. Papers must carry an abstract of not more than 250 words. Selected articles will be accepted as full papers for publication in the Souvenir. Authors of such papers would be invited to submit the full text of the paper typed in MS Word format either in a Compact Disc (CD) or through E-mail to lerig2010@clri.res.in or lerig2010@yahoo.com. Full text of the paper may not be more than 6 pages in A4 size.

Participation

Wide participation in the event is solicited. The registration fee structure is as follows:

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The fee may be paid in the form of a demand draft drawn in favour of The Convener, LERIG-2010, payable at Chennai.

Online registration is also available at www.clri.nic.in/lerig2010.