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*Advancing Scientific Knowledge  
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## **The Fiber Society's Spring 2012 Conference** ***Fiber Research for Tomorrow's Applications***

**Empa**  
**St. Gallen, Switzerland**  
**May 23–25, 2012**

### ***Call for Papers***

Papers on fundamental research related to the science and engineering of fibers and fibrous materials will be presented during the 2-1/2 day conference. Conference topics related to the following major themes, as well as other aspects on the frontier of fibers and fibrous materials, are anticipated:

- New Polymers/Materials for Fibers
- Fiber-related Bio- and Nanotechnology
- Technical Textiles/Composites
- Fiber Development, Processing, and Characterization
- Smart Textiles
- Comfort/Health
- Fashion/Apparel

**Online submissions will be accepted beginning December 1, 2011.** Access the Fiber Society website at [thefibersociety.org](http://thefibersociety.org) and follow the link for submission. Formatting guidelines for oral and poster submissions are provided online (**2-page limit on all abstracts**). **Submission deadline is February 29, 2012.** Notification of acceptance will be no later than March 30, 2012.

Conference registration will be online through the Fiber Society website. Up-to-date information about the conference, hotel accommodations, travel, and more is available at Empa's conference website [fs2012empa.ch](http://fs2012empa.ch) and the Fiber Society website.

Around 70 oral presentations by polymer and fiber scientists from all over the world are expected. Keynote speakers include Dr. Phillip Gibson, Natick, USA; Dr. René Rossi, Empa, Switzerland; Dr. Martin King, NC State University, USA; Prof. Vladan Koncar, Ensait, France; Prof. Urs Meier, Empa, Switzerland; and Prof. Thomas Scheibel, University of Bayreuth, Germany. English is the conference language.

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