

# Welcome

On behalf of the Automotive and Composites Divisions of SPE®, I'd like to welcome you to our 16th-annual Automotive Composites Conference and Exhibition (ACCE), the world's leading automotive composites forum.

Organizing and executing an event of this scale and this caliber requires many participants. My thanks to our many volunteer organizers, technical presenters, and sponsors who have worked long and hard to create the event you are attending.

There is a rapid pace of change and innovation within the transportation industry around materials. This change brings challenges and opportunities. The SPE ACCE is a place where we can come together to learn about and discuss the development of materials, processes, applications, and technologies. By working together, we can solve our customers' challenges, including those driven by regulations, competition, and the ever-expanding worldwide market of OEMs and supply chains.

While you are here these next three days, you have the opportunity to listen and learn from some of the most prominent and respected thought leaders in our industry. You also have the opportunity to meet and network with your peers and our sponsors. We have a full agenda, so we encourage you to make the most of it. We are all part of the constellation of organizations that make up the diverse and dynamic composites industry. When we work together, we make our industry so much stronger. Enjoy!

Kind regards,

*Rani*

Rani Richardson  
2016 SPE ACCE Chair  
Composites & Additive Manufacturing Industry Consultant  
Dassault Systèmes



# ACCE2016

