

## WELCOME

I'm sure everyone is back into work-mode after all the long weekends and public holidays. Some of us are lucky enough to be able to take some time off during school holidays and spend the time with our children.

Our events are taking great form and we are looking forward to an informative Speed Networking evening on Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> April 2018 which will be held at Maria's Greek Restaurant. See details below.

Looking forward to a fruitful April!

## SPEED NETWORKING: Building Connections

Join IPSA for our Annual SPEED NETWORKING session where you will have the chance to make many new business contacts.

**Where:** Maria's Greek Restaurant, 31 Barnet St, Gardens, Cape Town (Dunkley Square)

**When:** Wednesday, 18 April 2018

**Time:** 18h00 for 18h30

**Cost:** Members no charge. **Non Members R200**

**RSVP:** John Fox on [johnfox@iafrica.com](mailto:johnfox@iafrica.com) by **Thursday, 12 April**. Numbers limited to 20 people.

The networking process moves fast with each person introducing their services for about 90 seconds before swapping. The whole process lasts an hour or less, after which dinner is served where you carry on chatting and socialising. Dinner is included but drinks are for your own account.

## IPSA OVERVIEW OF PACKAGING TECHNOLOGY (OPT)

We are about to start our first OPT class of 2018.

*Start date:* 10 April                      *Times:* 14h00-18h00 every Tuesday

*Venue:* CPUT Bellville                      *Cost:* R10,199 (including VAT)

Don't miss the opportunity to ensure that all your staff who deal with packaging at any level understand the principles, processes and materials that are critical to the field.

This hands-on course is a 9-week crash class that covers all the important aspects of packaging technology. Successful students are awarded a formal Certificate of Achievement.

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## EVENTS CALENDAR

Diarise and book these dates—IPSA needs as many members as possible to connect and network at different levels. The engagements below have been structured to give a good balance between fun and education. Where possible, costs are subsidised by your memberships fees and sponsorships received. Watch your inbox for details of upcoming ad hoc factory tours usually numbers are limited.

18 April	SPEED NETWORKING—Maria’s Greek Restaurant, 31 Barnet St, Gardens at 18h00
End April	OVERVIEW OF TECHNOLOGY class starts
9 May	FRUIT JUICE CONFERENCE AND ROAD SHOW—Africa Road Show. Spier Hotel, Stellenbosch. A day of interesting presentations, enlightening discussions, sharing of knowledge and networking with industry participants. <i>Website:</i> <a href="https://www.eventbrite.com/e/sgf-ifu-safja-fruit-juice-conference-roadshow-south-africa-tickets-43722156146">https://www.eventbrite.com/e/sgf-ifu-safja-fruit-juice-conference-roadshow-south-africa-tickets-43722156146</a>
16 May	SPEAKER AFTERNOON: Customisation and personalisation
20 June	MUSIC QUIZ
July	BATTLE OF THE MEDIA
August	ANNUAL QUIZ EVENING
September	ANNUAL SEMINAR: David vs Goliath—The World of SMMEs and corporates. How to giant-proof your SMME when doing business with corporates (red tape, complicated decision structures and tender processes, and payments, etc.)
October	GOLF DAY
November	SPEAKER EVENT: TOTAL RECALL (Date TBC)

## ONE YEAR DIPLOMA—IMPORTANT DATES

12 April	Test 2
31 May	Test 3
12 July	Exam 1
16 August	Test 4
25 August	Assignment due
20 September	Test 5



## EDUCATION

The **One Year Diploma Test One** results are out.  
We achieved an 86% pass rate with 5 students exceeding the 85% mark. This is an excellent result.

Well done to all the students, and good luck for the next test on the 12th.



## PACK FACTS: THE BEST & THE WORST OF EASTER PACKAGING

Easter Eggs are wonderful things, colourful, tasty and fun, but also fragile. As a result, many of these yummy goodies are heavily packaged with up to a third of the weight of the product being packaging.

UK media has taken issue with the waste that can amount to more than 4 000 tonnes of paperboard and 150 tonnes of foil every year, and has exposed the following offenders:

### Most wasteful

1. Thornton's Classic Large Egg with 152g (36%) of the total 418g weight being packaging
2. Lindt Lindor milk chocolate egg with truffles (28% packaging)
3. Mars milk chocolate Easter egg and bar (25.5%)
4. Cadbury Crème giant egg (25.1%)



However, this year the companies claim that most of the packaging is recyclable. Paperboard makes up the bulk, with PET for the trays and foil wrappers making up most of the balance. Added to this, RPET is often included where possible. Windows and plastic wrappers are still generally not recyclable.

On the other hand, there are companies making a concerted effort to be more environmentally friendly.

### Most environmentally sound

#### 1. Montezuma

Montezuma is a British chocolate company that is **Fair Trade** and **organic**. Its wrapping is so simple – there are just two parts. The biodegradable outer shell is 70% post-industrial recycled corrugate and is compostable. The inner foil wrapping is also recyclable.



#### 2. Nestle

Nestle is the first UK and Irish confection company to have **100% recyclable** packaging. It has dispensed with the rigid plastic inside the box and replaced it with recyclable carton board. The company says it will save 726 tons of plastic from landfill each year. Its boxes are also smaller. The plastic window giving you a glimpse inside the box is now made of a compostable film, resulting in a **30% reduction in packaging**.



## MEMBERSHIP—WHY JOIN?



The Institute of Packaging SA is as good as its membership.

YOU can help to build the Institute by introducing a friend or colleague as a member. This will grow the Institute, increase the network of packaging related professionals and make the Institute more relevant and sustainable. This will allow us to improve our service to you.

At IPSA we are dedicated:

- Finding, providing and managing scholarships, prizes and training grants.
- Awarding certificates and diplomas by examination or tests.
- Organising course of study and maintaining libraries and other media related to packaging.
- Prepare and arranging lectures and hosting discussion groups.
- Printing, publishing and circulating papers, periodicals, bulletins, pamphlets, books and any other publications that may be conducive for members.

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