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IAAPA 2011 - ORLANDO, FLA.

Waterpark suppliers enjoy another great year



Polin reported a great IAAPA with qualified leads, new ideas and much networking. Shown at the Polin booth l to r: Bilge Pakis, Alper Cetiner, Sohret Pakis, Merve Karadeniz, Eija Tervo, Baris Pakis, Kubilay Alpdogan, Ozkan Ikiz and Baris Altindag. In 2011 Polin celebrated 35 years in the waterpark business.
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Polin Waterparks & Pool Systems also celebrated an anniversary this year with 35 years in the business.

Polin continues to dominate the European market completing projects in Egypt, France, Italy, Iraq (the first waterpark in that country), Iran, Serbia, Turkey, and Ukraine as well as countries in Asia.

The recently completed Travco Makadi Water World in Egypt is a 75,000 square meter (18.5-acre) park that features more than 25 waterslides and activity pools in a colorful Caribbean-themed setting. Sohret Pakis indicated Polin completed 161 projects in 2011.

On the horizon they have a 48-slide park going into Iran for 2012. Sohret said, "The Russian market looks very promising, and of course, Asia continues to be big for everyone."

During the show, Polin announced their latest attractions, the Magic Sphere with guests traveling in a four-person raft down a tube at speeds up to 32 mph dropping into the sphere and taking random paths before exiting through another tunnel. Auditory and visual effects can be added to the sphere for additional excitement.

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ment. Spheres are smaller versions of the 78-foot Magic Sphere and they can be combined with a single attraction featuring two or three spheres in succession.

Almost all of Polin's slides utilize RTM (Resin Transfer Molding) or Light-RTM for an aesthetically pleasing look and superior color retention. The RTM process allows for virtually any color pattern to be embedded in the fiberglass. The Light-RTM process allows for translucent slides producing colorful light effects as riders slide through the waterslide tube.