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▼ Dr. Kubilay Alpdogan and Bilge Pakis from Polin with a RTM example



Polin Waterparks and Pool Systems from Turkey is the first European waterslide manufacturer to use RTM (resin transfer moulding), and is the only one in the world using the substance in its manufacture of the world's largest waterslide components. RTM is a low pressure, closed moulding process for moderate volume production quantities. For an optimum surface finish, a gel coat is applied to the mould surface prior to moulding, resulting in a shining and smooth internal and external surface, and stronger and lighter slides. The Polin product range is huge, and the company supplies parks all over the world, including Greece, Egypt, Vietnam, USA and Canada, Tunisia, Ukraine, Hungary, Germany, Finland, Iceland, Russia, Norway, Italy, Korea, and naturally Turkey just to name a few.

A very important event also took place during the DEAL event on the 25<sup>th</sup> of April – the launching of MELAC, the Middle East Leisure and Attractions Council. This follows two years of negotiations and discussions with leading FEC operators and suppliers, and is an important milestone within the industry, in particular with the desire to educate and to raise the standards of leisure facilities. The meeting defined its operating areas and structure, and support was confirmed by 19 representatives who were present at the meeting from all over the Middle East. MELAC is to act the same way as a basic trade association with the major difference being that each individual country will appoint a representative to formulate policies, and to ensure that they are carried out. One of the key objectives is to adopt and promote "best practice" to international standards. Another main feature is to support DEAL as its adopted exhibition as a representative body of the area. It will also deal with health and safety issues, arrange educational conferences and seminars, details of which are expected to be announced in early September.

The next edition of the Dubai Entertainment, Amusement & Leisure Show will take place at the Dubai World Trade Centre from the 25<sup>th</sup> to 27<sup>th</sup> of April 2010. ■