

Welcome to our New Quarterly Newsletter!

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PRA Membership

Gold – extended research support, generous expert contact time, superior discounts on services and products and all the benefits of PRA Membership

Silver – Discounts on services and products with a support provision and most of the benefits of PRA Membership

Bronze – An entry level programme aimed but not restricted to smaller organisations, allowing access to some of benefits of PRA Membership.

Associate – The use of the PRA logo, a listing on our website and access to our annual Members' Day.

Contact us for more information about our membership structure, prices and benefits.

PRA open for business as usual

We are delighted to announce, effective September 29th 2016, that Alan Baxter (Chairman) and Ian Hay (Managing Director) have bought the operational business of the PRA from Pera Technology Solutions Limited, a company in administration. The new entity, PRA World Ltd, will be responsible for delivering all PRA services to its members and the wider coatings community.

Our mission is to work with the global surface coatings sector to provide world leading independent knowledge & testing based services, support innovation, inspire learning and create business growth within the coatings community.

What does this mean for PRA members and the coatings community as a whole? We would like to reassure all of our members and customers that PRA World will continue provide leading independent coatings expertise in pursuit of current aims and objectives, supported by appropriate laboratory, market intelligence and training facilities at its base in Melton Mowbray.

PRA Membership now open to new applications

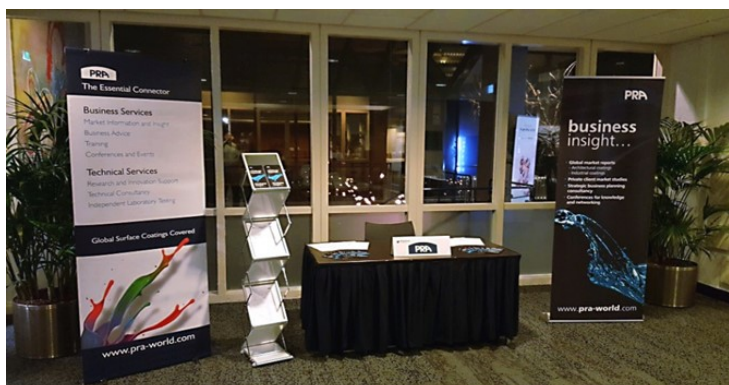
The PRA Membership has been refreshed to align with the needs of the Paint & Coatings industry.

We are able to offer a range of new benefits based on your level of membership aimed at providing your organisation:

- direct contact with our experts
- business plan writing for scientists course which is a member's only training course designed to help scientists and engineers apply for internal project support
- seed innovation & development within your organisation through the Innovation Workshop,
- together with significant savings through the discount structure on
 - ◇ IRFAB studies,
 - ◇ training,
 - ◇ conferencing and
 - ◇ PRA laboratory services.

10th International Woodcoatings Congress

PRA's 10th International Woodcoatings Congress was held in Amsterdam on 25th – 26th October, 2016. The scope of the congress included coatings and treatments for interior and exterior wood applications.



In collaboration with



Save the Date!

PRA's 11th International Woodcoatings Congress to be held on the 23rd and 24th October 2018 in Amsterdam.

The Congress has proved to be hugely popular with the international wood coating community. More than 185 delegates from 24 countries in the international paints and surface coatings industry attended. It provided an ideal opportunity for the dissemination of knowledge and new technology and for collaboration and networking.

Useful websites: www.vincentz.net www.europeancoatings.com

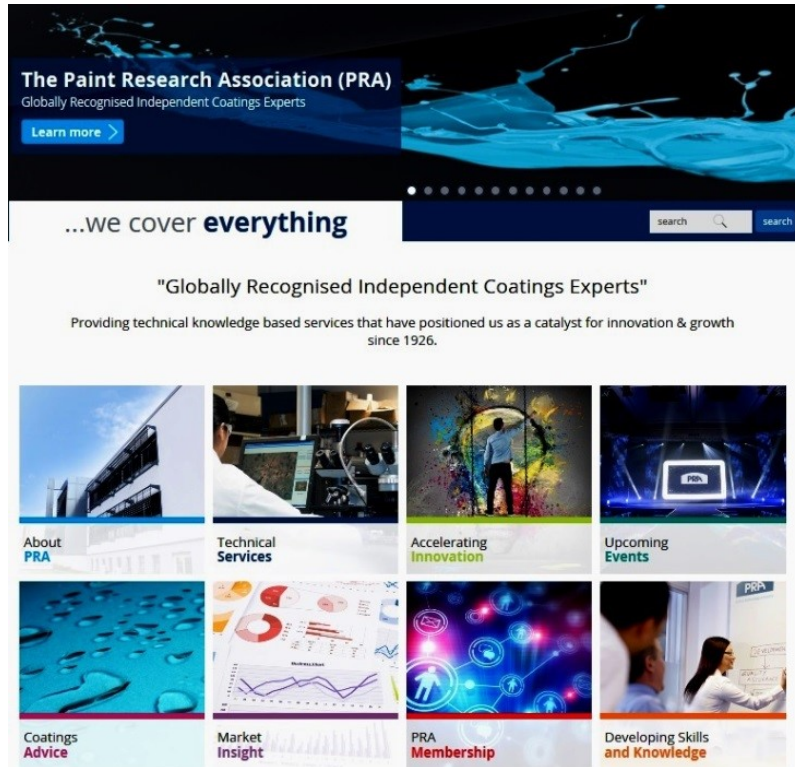
Training Schedule for 2017

DATE	COURSE
1 st February	The Changing Landscape of Metal Pre-treatments for Corrosion Protection – NEW!
20 th – 21 st March	The Development, Manufacture and Application of Powder Coatings
19 th April	Advances in Technology of Colour Pigments and Dispersion – NEW!
25 th -27 th April	Radiation Curing Technology – NEW!
8 th – 11 th May	Paint Technology
6 th – 8 th June	Print & Ink Technology
6 th September	Paint & Coatings Basic
27 th September	Patents in the Coatings Industry
4 th October	Business Case Writing for Scientists
24 th – 26 th October	Print & Ink Technology
6 th – 9 th November	Paint Technology
21 st – 22 nd November	Principles in Waterborne Technology

For the latest information on training visit: <http://www.pra-world.com/training>

Launch of new PRA Website

The new PRA Website is now up and running, with a new style and format and a host of new features!



There is a lot of information on what we are able to offer:

- About our New Membership Structure
- Technical Services
- Coatings Advice
- Upcoming Events
- Market Insight – Irfab™
- Training – Developing Skills and Knowledge
- Support for Innovation and Grant Funding

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