



Welcome to the centenary edition of AZOTE eNews.

This year at Zotefoams we are celebrating our centenary, marking 100 years of our unique three stage manufacturing process. Inspired by the work of three Austrian brothers, Charles Marshall patented a process to manufacture expanded rubbers of all kinds – hard and soft – and in 1921 he founded Onazote Limited, the forerunner of Zotefoams plc. [Visit our Centenary website](#)

To mark this milestone, we are delighted to announce the Zotefoams Centenary Awards, which will recognise the years of success of our environmentally friendly nitrogen expansion process, and acknowledge the skills and creativity of our customers.



We also include a fascinating story which looks at the history of the world's first ever closed cell foam sleeping mat – the Karrimat.

Lastly, we invite you to complete a short survey to help us understand our customers' priorities during these unpredictable times.

We hope you enjoy reading this edition and, from our business to yours,

Very best wishes  
David Stirling  
Group CEO

## LATEST NEWS

### Zotefoams Centenary Awards: submit your entries today!

This year we are celebrating our centenary and to mark 100 years of our unique three stage process, the manufacturer has announced the inaugural Zotefoams Centenary Awards.

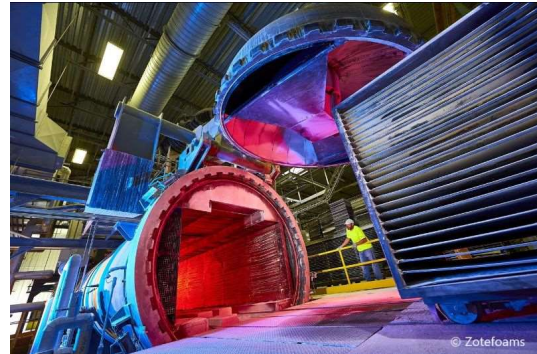
The Awards will recognise the excellence, creativity and innovation of those who use Zotefoams materials. There's just over a week to go until entries close, so do take a look at the

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## See our unique three-stage process in action

Take an exclusive guided tour of Zotefoams' unique autoclave technology and hear how our foams have been used over the last century in a variety of applications and industries.

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## Karrimat - the first closed cell foam sleeping mat

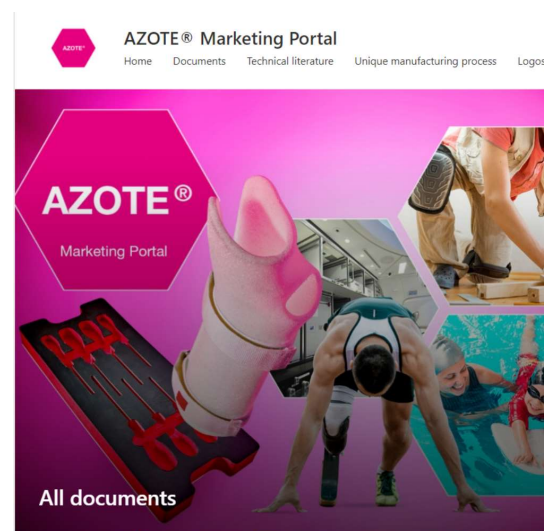
Karrimat was invented by chance over 50 years ago using Zotefoams' Evazote® material. Used by British mountaineers Chris Bonnington, Dougal Haston and Doug Scott, the history of Karrimat is a fascinating one.

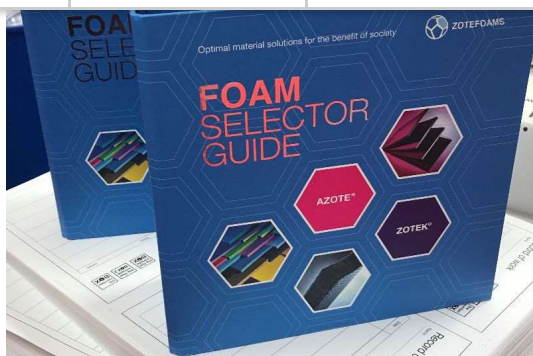
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## COMING SOON ...

### NEW: Marketing Portal

Our new Marketing Portal will soon be available to AZOTE® customers. This is a digital asset management platform providing access to a range of information and artwork designed to ensure that, together, we ensure a consistent, high-quality presentation for the world-famous brands in the AZOTE portfolio. The portal also brings together the latest news and links to technical and marketing downloads - a real one-stop shop for AZOTE customers.



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It's our most popular marketing tool and now the Zotefoams Foam Selector Guide is available in a new, loose-leaf format, featuring all the most popular grades from the AZOTE® polyolefin foams and ZOTEK® high-performance foam ranges. From Plastazote® MP15 to ZOTEK F OSU XR150, Zotefoams offers the widest range of densities and properties in technical foams. Which is your favourite?

Contact the [Marketing team](#) for more information on the [Marketing Portal](#) or [Selector Guide](#).

[Click here to take our short survey](#)

## Upcoming shows



**Foam Expo Europe, Stuttgart, Germany November 9 – 11 2021**

We will be exhibiting AZOTE® and ZOTEK® foams which are durable, easy to process and offer remarkably consistent cell size. The Zotefoams process also uniquely enables foaming of advanced engineering thermoplastics including nylon and PVDF.

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