
Dear Sirs,

In the period from 9 to 13 June 2013, Almaty, Republic of Kazakhstan, hosted the international Scientific and technical Congress of Ferroalloys, INFACON XIII. Ukrainian Association of Ferroalloy producers, being a member of an Expanded program Committee of the Congress, with the support of Ministry of industrial policy and the Academy of Sciences of Ukraine, submitted an application to hold the next INFACON XIV, in Ukraine, (Kiev 2015).

International congresses INFACON conducted since 1974, are the most authoritative specialists forum in the Ferroalloy industry, allowing to assess the technology level and technology processes of Ferroalloy smelting repartition, define perspective directions of the industry development in General, individual manufacturers, in particular, to obtain the most complete and latest technical and technological information, including information about the latest developments in the areas of technological equipment, the power structure furnaces, slag-processing area, gas purification, energy efficiency.

Among the competitors countries for the right to conduct INFACON XIV were Norway, South Africa and China.

As a result of the Association of Ferroalloy producers preparatory work, by a majority of votes, Ukraine received the right to take the next Congress.

The right to hold Congress INFACON indicates a serious authority of Ferroalloy enterprises of Ukraine on the world market, high level of scientific-technical base development of the country Ferroalloy industry.

For reference: The Congress in Kazakhstan was told more than 200 reports and articles on technical subjects from 35 countries of the world with regard to the production of ferroalloys. After the program Committee scientific experts reviews were received 126 articles. Registered 292 delegate.

The main topics directions of INFACON in Ukraine, the following:

- theory and practice of Ferroalloy production (by manganese, CR, siliceous and other types of ferroalloys);
- improvement of the equipment for ferroalloys production (including furnaces DC, gas purification and other);
- ecology and environmental protection, recycling and waste production, including Ferroalloy slag;
- main ways of energy saving and energy efficiency of Ferroalloy production;
- raw materials Ferroalloy production (ores, concentrates, agglomerates, reducers and other, methods of their preparation;

- ferroalloys quality, production prospects, based on the steel industry requirements.

During the INFACON in Ukraine, its participants will visit the technical tour largest ferroalloy enterprise of Europe - Nikopol ferroalloys plant. This is one of the most advanced in technical and technological terms of Ferroalloy enterprises in the world.

Questions of the Congresses organization in the host nation, as a rule, is engaged in the branch public Association, with the support of government structures. In our case, the receiving party is the Ukrainian Association of Ferroalloy producers, for 98% of Ferroalloy enterprises, as well as in mining and processing plants of the country.

In addition, the Association of Ferroalloy producers already has experience of smaller events (Scientific and technical conferences of Association of Ferroalloy producers), which are annually held in Kyiv for five years.

At the preparatory stage, it is planned to hold meetings with representatives of the International Ferroalloy Committee in Kiev with the involvement of the previous Congresses organizers in Kazakhstan and Finland, as well as the meetings of the Extended programme and Organizational Committees, with the aim of monitoring the progress of the event preparation, the decision of strategic organizational issues, the study of information about the course of incoming reports and other.

We invite you and your colleagues to take part in the future Congress (the abstracts submission started on 1, April and will run until 31, October 2014) as well as events that take place within it - the exhibition and technical tours on ferroalloy enterprises, and in the cultural program of the Congress INFACON-14.

We would be especially grateful if your company find a possibility to co-sponsor the upcoming Congress INFACON-14, which can certainly be helpful for your company - from the image and a commercial point of view. From our side, we are opened to discuss any suggestions to make your participation in this event the most fruitful.

So, today one of the oldest companies in Europe, working in the metallurgical industry, SMS SIEMAG AG, acts as the Platinum sponsor of our Congress.

The organization of the Congress is tentatively scheduled in June 2015 on the basis of the President-hotel, 4 Hospitalna.

For more information, please visit our website www.infacon14.com.ua.

If you have any questions, please contact us by e-mail info@infacon14.com.ua or infacon14@gmail.com, we will be glad to answer you

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