10th EUROPEAN SLAG CONFERENCE

8th-11th October 2019, Thessaloniki, Greece







Slag based products – best practices for Circular Economy

FIRST ANNOUNCEMENT

The **10th EUROPEAN SLAG CONFERENCE** will take place in the KEDEA building (Aristotle University of Thessaloniki) in THESSALONIKI, GREECE, from October 8th to 11th 2019, jointly organized by the **Laboratory of Building Materials** of the **Aristotle University of Thessaloniki**, **EUROSLAG** and **AEIFOROS**.

EUROSLAG is the European association of all main organizations and companies concerned with all aspects of manufacturing and utilization of ferrous slag products. The association deals with promotion of slag as a product, enables exchange of information and research and facilitates the interaction with governing bodies. Each year, an amount of 45 million tons of ferrous slag (iron and steel slag) is generated in Europe, a real challenge for circular economy.

The purpose of the 10th European Slag Conference is to share updated knowledge, ideas and research related to technical applications, environmental and legal aspects for all kinds of iron and steel slag. The Conference aims at bringing together all persons involved in processing, using and marketing slag from private companies, public authorities, research institutes, universities, technical schools or environment safety organizations.

Thessaloniki's main university, Aristotle University (AUTH), is the largest in Greece and in the Balkans. The Laboratory of Building Materials (AUTH) is devoted to research on utilization of industrial by-products and has organized international conferences on relevant topics (ACI, EUROCOALASH, Concrete Solutions, and RILEM). AEIFOROS S.A. belongs to SIDENOR Group and offers a large range of services in the field of waste management and valorization since 2001, contributing significantly to environmental protection. The company produces high quality recycled products such as slag aggregates for road constructions, ferrous and non-ferrous metals as well as alternative raw materials for the industry.

TOPICS OF INTEREST

The topics of interest include but are not limited to:

- 1. Legal framework (developments in legislation, rules and standards in Europe and other regions of the world)
- 2. Markets and best practices (sourcing and logistics, best practices for timely and effectively recycling and resource efficiency)
- 3. Research and innovation (characteristics of slag and slag based products, updated studies, research and demonstration projects, new techniques)

CONTACT

A special website will be operating soon. Until then, please use info@euroslaq.org.

ABSTRACT SUBMISSION

An announcement will follow for abstract submission.

TENTATIVE PROGRAM

Oct. 8th 2019: Registration and Welcome Reception

Afternoon registration and welcome reception with special event

Oct. 9th and 10th 2019: The Conference

Presentations, update and discussion on all subjects related to the production, treatment and marketing of ferrous slag, divided in 3 sessions.

Oct. 9th 2019: Gala dinner

It will be the place to network in a friendly atmosphere.

Oct. 11th 2019: Technical visits (in two groups)

- Group 1: Visit to a road pavement constructed with slag, or
- Group 2: Visit to ready mixed concrete industry to attend production and testing of concrete with steel slag aggregates.

CONFERENCE LANGUAGE

The conference language is English.

LOCATION

Thessaloniki was founded around 315 BC and with a history of over 2,300 years, it is one of Europe's oldest cities. It is Greece's second major economic, industrial, commercial and political center. Thessaloniki is an important transportation hub in southeastern Europe, connecting Europe and Asia by sea. The city is renowned for its vibrant cultural life, its festivals and events, such as the International Trade Fair and the International Film Festival which are held annually. Furthermore Thessaloniki is home to numerous notable Roman, Byzantine and Ottoman monuments, some of which are UNESCO World Heritage Sites.

ACCESS

By road: Thessaloniki is accessible through major European highways network. **By air:** next airport is the International Macedonian (SKG) Airport of Thessaloniki

CONFERENCE FEE

Early booking, by 31st May, 2019 will be invoiced at the special rate of 400 €.

For invited speakers, presenting authors and chairpersons free registration will be provided (not including travel and living expenses, nor gala dinner).

Special rates have been negotiated with several good standing hotels. The list and registration details will be circulated together with the call for papers.

CHANGE OF ATTENDEE, CANCELLATION

No charge for alternative attendants. If cancellation is made by 30^{th} September 2019, the registration fee will be refunded, reduced by a handling fee of $50 \in$. In case of cancellation after 30^{th} September 2019 no refunds of any kind will be made.

SPONSORING, BUSINESS PRESENTATIONS AND POSTERS

A spacious area for poster exhibitions or business presentations will be provided at the coffee break hall. Sponsoring will be possible as a unique opportunity to present and associate your brand with a leading event and to communicate your presence and activities in this field. Concept for sponsoring (e.g. issues, conference, and gala dinner) will be defined.

We look forward to meeting you in Thessaloniki!