

Minutes of a IACS brief meeting in Dalian

A mini meeting of IACS council was held at the Convention Center of Dalian Institute of Chemical Physics (DICP), Chinese Academy of Sciences, in Dalian, China, on Tuesday September 24th, 2013, on the occasion of the 2nd international congress on Catalysis for Biorefineries.

Attendees Included:

Prof. Avelino Corma (IACS president)

Prof. Gabriele Centi (IACS vice president)

Prof. Atsushi Fukuoka (IACS member)

Prof. V. Teixeira da Silva (IACS member)

Prof. Johannes A. Lercher (IACS member)

Prof. Ye Wang (IACS member)

Prof. Wenjie Shen (IACS secretary)

Prof. Can Li (ICC-16 chairman)

Prof. Tao Zhang (ICC-16 organizing committee member, DICP director)

Meeting Program:

1. ICC-organizing progress report

Prof. Can Li reported the progress on organizing the ICC-16 that will be held on July 3-8, Beijing, China.

- (1) The organizing committee was established on Oct. 19, 2012.
- (2) The congress website has been filed as **www.icc2016china.com**, which will officially opened by the end of this year.
- (3) The congress venue, **China National Convention Center (CNCC) in Beijing**, has been formally decided.
- (4) Four venues of satellite conferences inside China have been confirmed, including Dalian, Xiamen, Taiyuan and Lanzhou. More satellite conferences outside China (Asian area) are under consideration.
- (5) The first circular/call-for -papers will be delivered by the end of October, 2013.
- (6) Congress key dates, scientific and social programs have been outlined.

Main suggestions from the discussion

- (1) The deadline for abstract submission is better to be at the end of November, 2015 for having sufficient time for structuring and reviewing the abstracts.
- (2) The review and evolution process of oral and poster presentations should be well organized by taking the efforts from the international and domestic scientific committees. For example, input from outside experts, cluster review, a core committee in each area, and responsible persons for each topic.
- (3) Topic titles in call-for-paper should be well classified to avoid more general and confusing items.
- (4) The IACS members will be invited to nominate Plenary and Keynote speaker candidates.

- (5) Try to increase the number of oral presentations, but also needs to avoid a heavy and tight schedule. Options include: short oral presentation in a specific topic organized by specific coordinators; special session for young researchers.
- (6) Consider the presentations from industries (one day industry session)
- (7) Ask each catalysis society to assign one contact person for timely and locally announce the congress information.
- (8) Young student awards: needs confirmation from the budget situation of IACS.

2. IACS Secretariat Work

Prof. Wenjie Shen reported IACS Secretariat work and summarized the issues that need to be done shortly.

- (1) Operating the IACS website. Vicente Cortes Corberan in Madrid volunteered to work on a through up-date of the web page in close cooperation with Prof. Avelino Corma, the IACS president.
- (2) The website update includes: general news, executive committee revise, catalysis awards in 2012, names of the council members, summary of the former ICCs (ICC`15 information and photo gallery), information of the current ICC.
- (3) Contact the IACS treasure for the financial situation, involving the Young Student Awards and Young Scientists Prize for the next ICC in Beijing.
- (4) Prof. Avelino Corma, the IACS president, will keep contact with the secretary and other staff who are going to deal with these matters.
- (5) The IACS website will be put into commercial operation with a reliable partner if financial allows.
- (6) The secretary will report the organizing progress of the ICC-16 timely.